

**STOCS APPLICATION DEADLINE: Monday, March 19, 2012 (submitted or postmarked)**

*Incomplete and/or late applications will not be accepted.*

**A Complete Application Includes:**

- The application
- The personal statement
- A copy of your transcript (a copy printed from e-SIMS will be accepted)
- A letter of recommendation

**Applicant Criteria:**

1. Be an enrolled CUNY undergraduate at the time of studying abroad.
2. Be a U.S. citizens or permanent resident of the U.S.
3. Be a resident of New York City.
4. Have a household income (gross) of less than \$75,000.
5. Has not received a STOCS scholarship in the past.
6. Plans to participate in a STOCS-eligible CUNY short-term study abroad program. The list of STOCS-eligible programs is available online at [www.cuny.edu/studyabroad](http://www.cuny.edu/studyabroad).
7. Will have filed a FAFSA 2012-13 by March 15, 2012. Students are encouraged to fill out the application through the U.S. Department of Education FAFSA website at: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov). (See part C-1 of application)

**Selection Process:**

- Complete application must be postmarked or submitted by Monday, March 19, 2012.
- The STOCS Project Award Committee, a group of CUNY faculty and administrators, will review and evaluate all applications based on the information provided in the required application materials (application form, personal statement, letter of recommendation, official transcript, and FAFSA).
- Award winners will be notified via email the week of April 23, 2012.
- Award winners must complete an online survey following their study abroad experience.

**About the STOCS Award Program:**

The City University of New York (CUNY) offers Study/Travel Opportunities for CUNY Students (STOCS) scholarships with the assistance of a renewal grant from the New York Community Trust DeWitt Wallace Youth Travel Enrichment Fund. The STOCS Program assists CUNY undergraduate students participating in short-term CUNY study abroad programs by awarding scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$1,650. There are typically two competitions per year (summer and winter).

STOCS scholarships are both limited and competitive. Applicants should not rely solely on a STOCS scholarship to pay for the study abroad program. Awards will only cover a portion of the study abroad program cost and can take several months to be processed. Applicants should be sure to plan for additional ways of financing their time spent abroad.

**Submit Complete Applications to:**

STOCS Program  
International Education/Office of Academic Affairs  
The City University of New York  
535 East 80th Street  
New York, NY 10075

Frequently asked questions:

[www.cuny.edu/studyabroad](http://www.cuny.edu/studyabroad)

Email:

[international.ed@mail.cuny.edu](mailto:international.ed@mail.cuny.edu)

Please complete following form clearly and completely. Unreadable and/or incomplete applications will not be considered.

**A. Personal Information**

1. First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_
  2. Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_
  3. E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_
  4. Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_
  6. Home Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_
  7. Are you a U.S. Citizen?  YES  NO  
Are you a U.S. Permanent Resident?  YES  NO  
If you are a U.S. Permanent Resident, provide:  
Country of Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_  
Nine-Digit Alien Registration Number: \_\_\_\_\_
  8. CUNY College where enrolled: \_\_\_\_\_
  9. Current class standing:  Freshman  Sophomore  Junior  Senior
  10. Declared Major: \_\_\_\_\_
  11. Please check all that apply to you:  
Macaulay Honors College student  YES  NO  
SEEK student  YES  NO  
CUNY BA for Unique and Interdisciplinary Studies student  YES  NO  
First-Semester Transfer student  YES  NO
  12. Total credits earned up to December 2011: \_\_\_\_\_  
Expected date of graduation: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (Month/Year)
  13. Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Note: You must also submit a copy of your most recent transcript as evidence of your current GPA (a copy printed from E-SIMS will be accepted). For students in the first semester transfer students, please also submit transcripts from previous institution(s).**
  14. Have you traveled or lived overseas before?  YES  NO  
If yes, please specify place, reason, and length of stay:
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**B. Program Information**

Please refer to Summer 2012 STOCS-Eligible Program List found at [www.cuny.edu/studyabroad](http://www.cuny.edu/studyabroad).

All STOCS applicants must also apply directly for admission to the study abroad program by contacting the program director at the sponsoring CUNY College by the STOCS deadline, March 19, 2012.

**The STOCS-eligible program to which you are applying is:**

Program Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sponsoring CUNY College: \_\_\_\_\_

**C. Financial Aid Information**

1. The deadline to file a FAFSA in order to be considered for a STOCS Scholarship is March 15, 2012. Applicants are responsible for ensuring the accuracy of financial information reported through FAFSA.

Date FAFSA for 2012-13 was filed: \_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_ (Month/Day/Year)

2. Are you currently receiving financial aid? *Check one:*  YES  NO  
If yes, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

**D. Letter of Recommendation**

Provide the attached form (D.1) to a **CUNY faculty member** (other than the director of your study abroad program) **who is familiar with your academic work**.

Name of faculty member writing letter of recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_ CUNY College: \_\_\_\_\_

**E. Personal Statement: Study Abroad Goals and Expectations**

Please attach a personal statement that, in 500 words or less, explains how your participation in the *STOCS approved CUNY* short term program you have selected will advance your personal, educational, and/or career goals.

**F. Signature**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ (print name), certify that all the information on this application and personal statement is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate, true and my own.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**G. Additional Information (optional)**

*Your response to the following question is voluntary. The information is collected to meet reporting requirements and will be kept confidential. Information will not be released except in the form of statistical summaries.*

Which category best describes you?

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black, non-Hispanic | <input type="checkbox"/> Asian or Pacific Islander      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White, non-Hispanic | <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Native Alaskan |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify: _____   |

Recommendation Form (D.1)

To the applicant: Please complete the top part of the form below.

**Applicant's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ **I waive my rights to have access to this recommendation form.**

\_\_\_ **I do not waive my rights to have access to this recommendation form.**

To the Recommender:

Thank you for taking the time to recommend the applicant for a Study/Travel Opportunities for CUNY Students (STOCS) Scholarship. The STOCS Project is a competitive scholarship program that awards a limited number of qualified CUNY undergraduate students with scholarships to defray the costs of participating in an eligible CUNY short-term study abroad program.

Your recommendation will have two parts.

(1) A letter on official letterhead indicating

- how long, and under what circumstances, you have been familiar with the candidate and his/her academic work, and
- your evaluation of this student's ability to benefit from a study abroad experience.

(2) Your evaluation using the form below.

Please attach the form to your letter of recommendation and place both in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal. This envelope can be given to the candidate who is responsible for submitting the recommendation with their application packets, which are due on **March 19, 2012**. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

The STOCS Program Awards Committee

International Education/Office of Academic Affairs, [International.ed@mail.cuny.edu](mailto:International.ed@mail.cuny.edu)

**Recommender's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommender's Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Department:** \_\_\_\_\_ **College:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommender's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please evaluate the applicant's suitability for participation in a study abroad program.**

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	No opportunity to observe
Ability to adapt to new or unstructured circumstances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Self-reliance/independence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ability to relate well to others	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Open-mindedness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>