

Presidential Scholarship Enrichment Experience Stipend Guidelines

Students who enrolled at Auburn University by or before Fall 2011 as a National Scholars Presidential Scholar, Spirit of Auburn Presidential Scholar, or Academic Presidential Scholar are eligible to receive a one-time Enrichment Experience Stipend, valued at \$4,000. The stipend may be used for study abroad, unpaid internships, undergraduate research, or another academic endeavor, related to the student's major, beyond the requirements for program or degree completion.

Students who enrolled beginning Summer or Fall 2012 as a National Scholars Presidential Scholar are eligible to receive a one-time Enrichment Experience Stipend, valued at \$2,500. The stipend may be used for study abroad or undergraduate research only.

The stipend may be applied to one academic term after the student completes the second year of study at Auburn. Students are not permitted to use the funds for a semester of tuition, graduate or professional test preparation materials, paid internships, or participation in Cooperative Education. Students may only use the funds during a fall, spring, or summer term and are not permitted to use the funds exclusively between terms or during a university break. The stipend will be applied: (1) in full for study abroad experiences 30 or more days in duration or (2) up to a maximum of \$2,500 for study abroad experiences 14 to 29 days in duration. The stipend is not available for study abroad experiences less than 14 days in duration. Students who enrolled at Auburn by or before Fall 2011 and use their stipend for a study abroad experience 14 to 29 days in duration will forfeit any remaining stipend funds.

Students are required to meet with a scholarship advisor to discuss their plan, preferably a minimum of one semester in advance, and obtain the Enrichment Experience Stipend request form. Students are strongly discouraged from making any academic, financial, or personal commitments prior to this meeting. Scholars should complete the Enrichment Experience Stipend request form and present it for approval to the Associate Dean of the college or school in which enrolled. If participating in any program in another country, approval is required by the Auburn Abroad Director. If participating in undergraduate research, students must complete the Enrichment Experience Stipend request form with approval required by the Research Supervisor and Academic Advisor or Associate Dean.

Once completed, the student should provide the form to the Office of University Scholarships for final review and approval. The form must be received by the Office of University Scholarships a minimum of 30 days prior to the start of the term for which the student is requesting funds. Upon approval, the stipend is applied as a credit to the student's university billing account and will pay a maximum of 10 days before the requested semester. Students are responsible for any charges due prior to 10 days before the semester that the stipend pays.

The required signatures from select offices, various department heads, program directors, and associate deans confirm the student's participation in a credible academic endeavor. Once the form is returned to the Office of University Scholarships, our office may contact the person(s) who endorsed the enrichment experience for additional information if needed.

For questions regarding the Enrichment Experience Stipend, please do not hesitate to contact our office.