

Student Ambassador Scholarship Program

Overview and Objectives

The Abbey Road Student Ambassador Scholarship Program supports the Abbey Road Programs mission of facilitating cross-cultural understanding, personal growth and academic enrichment of high school aged youth in its summer programs by:

- Increasing awareness of and respect for cultural differences by supporting student petitions to study abroad in a foreign country
- Developing pre-college and leadership skills by supporting student petitions to attend U.S. college preparatory programs
- Providing opportunities for experiential learning through daily on-site instruction
- Fostering relationships with foreign communities through experiential daily activities
- Promoting the importance of summer enrichment through Student Ambassador blogs, essays and interviews
- Encouraging Student Ambassadors to promote scholarship program awareness by acting as references for prospective families and schools

Applicants should consider these objectives when applying to the Student Ambassador Scholarship Program and should be prepared to explain in their personal statement how their prior academic and extracurricular achievements qualify them as a potential Ambassador of Abbey Road.

Eligibility and Ambassador Activities

Student Ambassador Fellowships and Scholarships are merit-based and any eligible student in good academic standing is encouraged to apply. Applicants must be between the ages of 14-18 and demonstrate outstanding academic and extracurricular performance in the field for which they are applying. Scholarship recipients are expected to uphold the Abbey Road Programs mission and fulfill the following duties prior to, during and after the course of their summer program:

- Before departure, complete a pre-departure reflection blog post (posted no later than June 15th) describing your motivations for applying to Abbey Road, expectations for your summer program and any additional relevant information.
- During the program, maintain an Abbey Road sponsored summer blog and contribute a minimum of three weekly entries of text and images.
- During the program, uphold Abbey Road's mission and 5 cardinal safety rules.
- Upon completion of the program, turn in a post-program reflection essay, 500 word minimum, reflecting on your overall program experience including your perspective on the experiential academic components of the program, extracurricular activities, staff and any additional memorable experiences.
- Upon completion of the program, serve as a student reference for perspective families by responding to questions via e-mail and attending an informational session (location permitting) hosted by an Abbey Road Admissions Representative. You can expect to receive several emails a month, not a high-volume of inquiries.
- Upon completion of the program, make yourself available for a follow-up phone interview to discuss program satisfaction with an Abbey Road representative.

Instructions for Application

Before completing the Student Ambassador scholarship application, applicants must formally apply to the Abbey Road summer program they are interested in attending. Summer program applications are completed and submitted online. To start a new summer program application or edit an existing application, please go to <http://www.goabbeyroad.com/app/login.aspx>

At the time of application to our summer programs, Abbey Road requires a \$500 application deposit to hold the applicant's spot. Summer fellowship and partial scholarship applicants are required to submit the \$500 application deposit during the summer program application process. However, if you are applying exclusively to a full tuition paid Chris Meyer or Green Ticket scholarship you are not required to pay the \$500 application deposit fee at the time of application to your summer program.

Once you have submitted the summer programs application, you may upload and submit the Student Ambassador scholarship application along with your personal statement, transcript and photo. To upload a completed scholarship application simply scan any hand-written pages and save them as an Adobe pdf file or convert Word documents to pdf and upload them from your computer to your student profile on the Abbey Road website. Letters of recommendation and language evaluations must be sent directly from the evaluator/referrer to Abbey Road via e-mail, fax or U.S. post.

Application Overview in 6 Easy Steps!

1. Submit the summer program online application through the Abbey Road website
2. Upload a copy of your most recent report card or transcript
3. Pay the \$500 Application Deposit fee (fellowship and partial scholarship applicants only)
4. Complete the Student Ambassador scholarship application
5. Upload your completed scholarship application, personal statement and photo to your student profile through the Abbey Road website
6. Ask your teachers to direct any applicable recommendation letters and foreign language evaluations to the Abbey Road office*

**Summer Fellowship applicants are not required to submit a letter of recommendation or foreign language evaluation.*

Personal Statement

Along with your Student Ambassador application, please include a personal statement. Personal statements should be no longer than two pages, doubled spaced in 10 or 12pt Times New Roman font, and include the following information:

- Your reasons for applying for a fellowship or scholarship
- Academic strengths and challenges
- Any applicable internship/leadership/work experience or volunteer activities *
- Your future academic and career plans, including an explanation of how a fellowship or scholarship and participation in an Abbey Road summer program will support these plans
- The reasoning you used to determine your preferred summer program choice
- Any other information you feel the Scholarship Committee should know

* *Green Ticket Community Service Scholarship applicants must describe the service project qualifying them for the scholarship including a description of any partner/supervising organizations and their particular responsibilities including the number of weekly hours dedicated to the service project.*

Photograph

All applicants are required to upload a recent photograph, taken within the past year, along with their application.

Academic Transcript

All applicants must upload an official transcript along with their application

Foreign Language Evaluation

If you are applying to the one of the following scholarships: Chris Meyer Memorial French Scholarship, Spanish Language Scholarship, French Language Scholarship, Italian Language Scholarship or Green Ticket Community Service Scholarship you must include a Foreign Language Evaluation with your application. The evaluation must be completed by a language teacher who has supervised your work in the target language.

Recommendation Form: \$500 Summer Fellowships

Student Ambassador \$500 Fellowship applicants are not required to submit an academic recommendation or personal recommendation with their fellowship application. Summer Fellowship applicants are only required to submit the Student Ambassador application, academic transcript, recent photo and personal statement.

Recommendation Form: \$1,000 Summer Scholarships

All \$1,000 Summer Scholarship applicants are required to submit 1 letter of academic recommendation completed by an instructor or academic advisor who has supervised your work in the scholarship category to which you are applying.

Recommendation Forms: Chris Meyer Memorial French Scholarships

All Chris Meyer Memorial French Scholarship full and partial scholarship applicants are required to submit 1 letter of academic recommendation and 1 personal recommendation. Academic letters of recommendation should be completed by an instructor or advisor who can attest to your academic achievements in the past 1-2 academic school years in the French language. Personal letters of recommendation should be completed by someone other than the applicant's immediate relations who can attest to the applicant's extracurricular and/or community service involvement.

Recommendation Forms: Green Ticket Community Service Scholarships

All Green Ticket Community Service full and partial scholarship applicants are required to submit 1 letter of academic recommendation and 1 personal recommendation. Academic letters of recommendation should be completed by an instructor or advisor who can attest to your academic achievements in the past 1-2 academic school years. Personal letters of recommendation should be completed by someone other than the applicant's immediate relations who has supervised the applicant's work on the community service project referenced in the applicant's personal statement.

Deadlines for Submission

All Student Ambassador applications, personal statements, school transcripts and recommendation letters must be received by Abbey Road Programs prior to April 1st with the exception of \$500 Summer Fellowship applications which are accepted on a rolling basis through June 1. Please follow instructions carefully as incomplete or late applications will not be considered. Fellowship recipients are notified within 1 month of application. Scholarship recipients and finalists (when applicable) will be notified by the Scholarship Committee by April 15. Scholarship recipients will be given until May 1 to accept or decline their scholarship award.

Contact Details

Please direct all language evaluations and letters of recommendation along with any inquiries to:

Abbey Road Student Ambassador Scholarship Program

8266 Fountain Avenue, Suite B

West Hollywood, CA 90046, U.S.A

Telephone: 1-888-462-2239 • info@goabbeyroad.com • www.goabbeyroad.com



2011-2012 Abbey Road Programs Student Ambassador Application

Contact Information

Please print. Do not use initials or abbreviations.

Student first name _____ Last name _____ Gender _____

Date of birth _____ Current grade (please circle one) 8 9 10 11 12

Address _____

Student email address _____

Current school name _____ School city/state _____

Parent/guardian first name _____ Last name _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Parent/guardian email _____ Relationship to student _____

Address _____

Abbey Road Summer Program of Interest

Please indicate the fellowship/scholarship to which you are applying (select one):

- \$500 Summer Fellowship
- \$1,000 Summer Scholarship (please specify) _____
- Chris Meyer Memorial French Scholarship: Full
- Chris Meyer Memorial French Scholarship: Partial
- Green Ticket Community Service Scholarship: Full
- Green Ticket Community Service Scholarship: Partial

How did you find out about the Abbey Road Student Ambassador Scholarship Program? If an alumnus/a referred you, please indicate

Applicant's Certification

I, the undersigned, hereby apply for an Abbey Road Student Ambassador Fellowship and/or Scholarship. If I am awarded a Student Ambassador Fellowship and/or Scholarship, I agree:

1. To fulfill the ambassadorial responsibilities outlined on page 1 of this application.
2. To permit Abbey Road Programs to use my name and all photographs and written reports generated through any of my activities related to my fellowship and/or scholarship.
3. That I am expected to embrace Abbey Road's mission of promoting cross-cultural awareness, personal growth and academic enrichment from the time of application, throughout the term abroad, to a post-award commitment in my local community as outlined on page 1.
4. That my scholarship may be revoked for any of the following reasons: evidence of misconduct including a violation of any of Abbey Road's 5 cardinal safety rules; failure to submit required materials on time; failure to follow the directions of the Scholarship Committee and my Program Director; or any contingency that prevents me from fulfilling all the obligations of the scholarship. I understand that revocation of a scholarship may make me liable for the full amount of the program tuition.

Name of Applicant _____

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Foreign Language Evaluation

SECTION I - To be completed by the applicant (please print)

Please complete this form if you are applying to any of the following summer scholarships: Spanish Language, French Language, Italian Language, Chris Meyer Memorial French Scholarship, Green Ticket Community Service Scholarship.

Name of Applicant _____

For which language is this form being completed? _____

Briefly summarize any informal training and experience you have had with the target language. This may include previous travel, tutoring, and extracurricular activities. _____

SECTION 2 - To be completed by a language teacher/supervisor/tutor (please print)

In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant? _____

Your evaluation is based on: Previous class, Tutoring or Other (please specify) _____

Rate the applicant's present language ability as follows:

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|----------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Reading | <input type="radio"/> superior | <input type="radio"/> good | <input type="radio"/> fair | <input type="radio"/> rudimentary |
| Writing | <input type="radio"/> superior | <input type="radio"/> good | <input type="radio"/> fair | <input type="radio"/> rudimentary |
| Comprehension (oral) | <input type="radio"/> superior | <input type="radio"/> good | <input type="radio"/> fair | <input type="radio"/> rudimentary |
| Speaking | <input type="radio"/> superior | <input type="radio"/> good | <input type="radio"/> fair | <input type="radio"/> rudimentary |

Please comment on the applicant's ability to participate in an immersion program using this language. _____

Name _____ Title _____ Position _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Institution _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____ E-mail _____

Please return the completed Language Evaluation directly to Abbey Road Programs via e-mail, fax or snail mail prior to April 1.



Academic Recommendation Form

SECTION I - To be completed by the applicant (please print)

Name of Applicant _____
Abbey Road Summer Program _____
Proposed Abbey Road Student Ambassador Scholarship _____

SECTION 2 - To be completed by an academic instructor, counselor or supervisor (please print)

Name _____ Title _____ Position _____
School/Employer _____ Department _____
Telephone _____ E-mail _____
Signature _____

In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant? _____

In what way would participation on an Abbey Road summer program contribute to the applicant's academic development?

How would you rate the applicant in the following areas? If you are unable to evaluate an area, please leave it blank.

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|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Leadership | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
| Initiative | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
| Enthusiasm | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
| Adaptability | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
| Maturity | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
| Emotional stability | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
| Public speaking | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
| Community service | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |

Please cite specific examples of how the applicant has demonstrated the qualities listed above _____

Additional comments _____

Please return the completed Academic Recommendation Form directly to Abbey Road Programs via e-mail, fax or snail mail prior to April 1.



Personal Recommendation Form

SECTION I - To be completed by the applicant (please print)

Name of Applicant _____
Abbey Road Summer Program _____
Proposed Abbey Road Student Ambassador Scholarship _____

SECTION 2 - To be completed by recommender (please print)

Name _____ Title _____ Position _____
Employer _____ Department _____
Telephone _____ E-mail _____
Signature _____

In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant? _____

In what way would participation on an Abbey Road summer program contribute to the applicant's academic development?

How would you rate the applicant in the following areas? If you are unable to evaluate an area, please leave it blank.

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|---------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Leadership | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
| Initiative | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
| Enthusiasm | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
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| Public speaking | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |
| Community service | <input type="radio"/> excellent | <input type="radio"/> very good | <input type="radio"/> average | <input type="radio"/> below average |

Please cite specific examples of how the applicant has demonstrated the qualities listed above _____

Additional comments _____

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