

Gilman Top Producing Institutions

2018-2019



The U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Affairs (ECA) is committed to ensuring that American students of all backgrounds, who will be our next generation of leaders, have the opportunity to study abroad. This international engagement fosters mutual understanding and helps students develop critical skills in support of our national security and economic prosperity. The U.S. Department of State's Gilman International Scholarship Program diversifies the U.S. student population that studies and interns abroad by providing scholarships to outstanding undergraduates who, due to financial constraints, might not otherwise participate. Since the program's establishment in 2001, over 1,300 U.S. institutions have sent over 31,000 Gilman Scholars to 151 countries around the globe.

With the Gilman Top Producers list, ECA recognizes U.S. higher education institutions, based on size and type, which have generated the most Gilman scholars. ECA also highlights institutions that are at the forefront of expanding study abroad through the Gilman Program by sending the most first-generation college students, racial or ethnic minority students, students with disabilities, or students studying in STEM fields. Institutions sending the most Gilman Scholars to the largest number of different overseas destinations also receive recognition for their role in broadening the geographical diversity in study abroad. This year, "Greatest Growth" has been added as a Top Producer category in order to better recognize this accomplishment as part of Gilman Top Producers.

Colleges & Universities By Size & Type



Small (<5,000 undergrads)

Berea College
Spelman College
Saint Olaf College



Medium (5,000-15,000 undergrads)

City University of New York,
Lehman College
Emory University
American University



Large (>15,000 undergrads)

University of California, Berkeley
University of Texas at Austin
University of California, Davis



Associate's

Portland Community College
San Antonio College
Fresno City College

Priority Achievements By Size & Type



First-Generation College Students

Small: Berea College
Medium: Emory University
Large: University of California, Berkeley
Associate's: Portland Community College



STEM Students

Small: (2-way tie) Beloit College and Union College of New York
Medium: Worcester Polytechnic Institute
Large: Washington University
Associate's: Portland Community College



Diverse Destinations

Small: Berea College
Medium: City University of New York, Lehman College
Large: University of California, Berkeley
Associate's: Portland Community College



Students with Disabilities

Small: Goucher College
Large: University of California, Berkeley
Associate's: Mesa Community College



Racial and Ethnic Minority Students

Small: Spelman College
Medium: City University of New York, Lehman College
Large: University of California, Berkeley
Associate's: Portland Community College



Public Health Spotlight

Small: Westminster College of Utah
Medium: Emory University
Large: University of California, Berkeley
Associate's: CUNY Bronx Community College



Greatest Growth

Small: Saint Olaf College
Medium: (2-way tie) City University of New York, Lehman College and Mercer University
Large: University of Houston
Associate's: Fresno City College

Top Producing Spotlight: Public Health

This year, the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs spotlights institutions diversifying study abroad by supporting more students who are focused on Public Health. In AY 2018-2019, 53 U.S. colleges and universities sent 89 American students to 31 destinations overseas with support from the Gilman Program. Over the past five years, the Gilman Program has supported 371 American students studying public health to study and intern abroad in 63 unique countries. These students came from 130 U.S. colleges and universities and represented 44 U.S. states/territories while overseas. Gilman recipients studying public health fields have entered a variety of fields – as researchers and practitioners – all supporting this important foreign policy goal.



Westminster College of Utah – Small Colleges and Universities, Public Health Spotlight

“Receiving the Gilman Scholarship allowed me to experience public health infrastructure throughout Thailand. I was able to participate in health assessments of children in rural Thailand, visit an HIV/AIDS hospice, and see how a business for social progress operates. By giving me the resources to study abroad, the Gilman Scholarship played a huge part in solidifying my career path. I am grateful for the invaluable experience I had in Thailand and will continuously apply what I learned to my career.”
 - Alyson Pinkelman, *Gilman recipient for summer 2019, Graduated May 2020-BS in Public Health*

Top Producing Institutions



Saint Olaf College – Small Colleges and Universities, Greatest Growth

“We prioritize the Gilman Scholarship because of its potential to greatly impact our students’ academic, career, and personal goals by helping to reduce the financial barrier which often accompanies the off-campus study. We’ve found success by working closely with our Financial Aid Office to identify eligible students and to share the Gilman Program’s information to them as they might not otherwise be aware of the opportunity. It means a lot to our institution to be recognized for our strong performance during the 2018-2019 year. While not the only indicator, our achievement helps demonstrate our commitment to meeting the demonstrated financial need of every student.” - **Davis Anderson, President**



University of California, Berkeley – Large Colleges and Universities, First-Generation College Students, Racial and Ethnic Minority Students, Students with Disabilities, Diverse Destinations

“Encouragement, Engagement, and Support - this is the overall theme of our Gilman Program efforts at UC Berkeley. We provide this encouragement, engagement, and support to students in person and virtually; and we involve our study abroad advisers, financial aid counselors, student ambassadors, and peer advisers, and past Gilman scholars throughout the entire process. We make an effort to mention the Gilman Program to students as early as possible, often during our first conversations by making it very visible, and we offer regular workshops and events offering support with the application process. We would like to thank the Gilman Scholarship Program and the U.S. Department of State’s Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs for their dedication and work towards increasing and diversifying study abroad participation, and for their support of UC Berkeley students.” - **Richard Russo, Associate Vice Chancellor of Undergraduate Education**



Portland Community College – Associate’s Colleges and Universities, First-Generation College Students, Racial and Ethnic Minority Students, STEM Students, Diverse Destinations

“As a community college, approximately one-third of our student population is Pell-eligible. The Gilman scholarship is a vital component for Portland Community College students, giving them the ability to access study abroad. Many PCC students do not see themselves as someone who could go abroad as part of their education. They see it as something that only those at a four-year university or college can access. However, not only does the Gilman allow PCC students to participate in study abroad programs but it also gives them the skills and confidence to apply for other scholarships that further their educational and career goals. This recognition underscores our students’ hard work and persistence in not allowing their financial situation to dictate their future.” - **Mark Mitsui, President**

From the Department of State

“American Students studying abroad play a key role as citizen ambassadors. They tell the American story and demonstrate American values and ideals to the entire world.”

- **Michael Pompeo, Secretary of State**

“We are proud to honor the colleges and universities who have made the 2018-2019 Gilman top producing institutions list. The Gilman students from these institutions are among our current and future global leaders, and we know their future work will contribute greatly to U.S. national security and people-to-people ties.”

- **Marie Royce, Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs**

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