AY and Summer Funding for Undergraduate, Graduate and Professional Students

Yale MacMillan Center
The Whitney and Betty MacMillan Center for International and Area Studies at Yale is the University’s focal point for encouraging and coordinating teaching and research on international affairs, societies, and cultures around the world.

- **7 Regional Councils**
  - African Studies
  - East Asian Studies
  - European Studies
  - Latin American and Iberian Studies
  - Middle East Studies
  - South Asian Studies
  - Southeast Asia Studies

- **Centers, Programs and Initiatives**
  - Program on Refugees and Forced Displacement
  - European Union Studies Program
  - Leitner Program in International and Comparative Political Economy
  - Gilder Lehrman Center for the Study of Slavery, Resistance and Abolition
  - Etc.
Graduate Certificate of Concentration

- PhD and MA
- Concentration through the Councils on African, European, Latin American and Iberian, and Middle East Studies.

- General Requirements
  - Six graduate-level courses in the area of concentration (in at least two different fields), not including language courses.
  - Language proficiency in at least one language relevant to the area of concentration beyond proficiency in English. For some Councils and for some individual circumstances, proficiency in two languages beyond English is required.
  - Interdisciplinary research paper focused on the area of concentration

https://macmillan.yale.edu/academic-programs/graduate-certificate-concentration
For more information, please see the relevant Council administrator.
Fellowship Statistics at Yale

170 competitions run
40 awarding units on campus
7000 students registered as applicants
1500 awards given
$6,000,000 awarded to students annually

Student Grants Database
http://studentgrants.yale.edu/
Office of Visiting Scholars, Exchanges, and Fellowships

https://ovef.macmillan.yale.edu/fellowships-0
The deadline is on February 15th, at 1pm.

Note: After completing all sections, please remember to click 'Final Review and Submit' above to submit your application.

You should submit your materials before the deadline even if your recommendation letter or language evaluation has been requested but has not yet been received.

You should request these letters via the Request Letter(s) of Recommendation/Language Evaluation(s) icon below well in advance (2-3 weeks) of the application submission deadline.
• Letters of Reference
  – At least 2 weeks’ notice
  – 10 days after the deadline
  – Provide a brief description of your project and why you are qualified for every specific grant

• Budget
  – will not approve any additional travel insurance beyond ISOS already provided by Yale unless the students travel to their home country.
  – Combining funds from different sources is allowed.

• IRB approval
  – 3 weeks backlog in April
ISOS Health Insurance

• Travelers on Yale-related business:
  – study abroad programs
  – Research
  – attending conferences
  – student organization travel

Now have coverage for up to $250,000 in out-of-country medical expenses for treatment for accidents or sicknesses that occur while traveling.

• pre-departure briefing specific to your itinerary
• ISOS assistance app
• download your ISOS ID card
• Letter for international travelers on Yale business - to verify coverage to meet visa requirements
Awards are finalized at a “Student Grant Overlap Meeting” in mid-April

• To increase your chances of receiving full funding:
  
  – Apply for all grants you are eligible for
  – Keep **Dates** and **Total Budget** consistent
  – Request maximum amount from each grant ( < Total Budget)
  – Don’t divide the total budget among potential funding sources
Yale Travel Policies for Students

- Yale University
  https://covid19.yale.edu/travel-policy

- Yale College
  https://cipe.yale.edu/travel-resources/travel-policy

- MacMillan Center
  https://ovef.macmillan.yale.edu/fellowships/macmillan-center-fellowships-covid-19-updates
• The U.S. State Department has issued a Travel Advisory Level 4 "Do Not Travel" for the country/specific region.
  – Travel Advisory Level 3 “Reconsider Travel” recommend meeting with an adviser for their program

• International SOS has issued a Travel Global Risk Rating of “Extreme” or “High” for the country/specific region.

• The student is not fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (plus a booster shot, as eligible) or does not have an approved exemption from vaccination while being compliant with the university’s testing requirements.

• NOTE: Students are responsible for carefully following all entry requirements for their destination.
Rolling awards for travel

- **European Studies Council** - Fall Semester, Winter, and Spring Break Travel/Conference Award
- **Council on African Studies** - Graduate Student Conference/Research Award
- **Council on Latin American and Iberian Studies** - Fall Semester, Winter and Spring Break Travel/Conference Award
  
- Up to $500
- Ph.D. and MA
- members of the Council’s Graduate Fellows Network.
- research trips or to present at conferences in or about the region
- conference travel - preference to MA students.
• Ph.D. only
• Up to $800
• **Presentation on International Topic**
• Non-international topics to [CTF by GSA](https://ovef.macmillan.yale.edu/resources-rpp)
• 1 application per cycle- September 1st - June 15th until funds are exhausted
• The applications are reviewed on the 1st and 15th day of the month
• Reimbursement after the conference
  – 120-day rule

[https://ovef.macmillan.yale.edu/resources-rpp](https://ovef.macmillan.yale.edu/resources-rpp)
Reimbursement Policies

• Submit within 10 days of travel
  1. McMC Center Award Letter
  2. Receipts
  3. Proof of Payment
  4. Proof of Participation
  5. Travel Self-Assessment (only if traveling internationally)

• All reservations have to be in your name and paid for with your credit card
• Shared rooms
• 120-day rule
MacMillan Center **Summer** Fellowships for Language Study

- All languages except for Chinese, Japanese, or Korean
- UG, PhD, and MA continuing next year
- up to **$5,000** toward tuition and fees and up to **$2,500** for living expenses
- the equivalent of an academic year’s training:
  - at least 140 credit- or contact 60-minute hours for beginning and intermediate courses
  - 120 credit- or contact 60-minute hours for advanced courses
- All courses MUST last a minimum of **six weeks**
MacMillan Center AY Fellowships for Language Study

- Preferences to less commonly taught languages and languages that are not taught at Yale
- UG, Ph.D., and MA prior to graduation
- Up to $18,000 for non-Yale University tuition and fees and up to $15,000 for living expenses
- Recognized intensive programs at other universities within or outside the U.S.
- Rigorous online and distance education programs are also eligible
Post Graduation Fellowships

**Henry Hart Rice Foreign Residence Fellowship**
- Current PhD, UG, and MA (taking a year off), Graduating Seniors
- project in the country that has strained relationships with the US

**Fox International Fellowship**
- Current PH.D., MA, Graduating MA students and Seniors
- 21 partner universities
- Informational Session:

  Friday, December 1, 2023, 12.00 pm - yale.zoom.us/j/99725446710
MacMillan International Dissertation Research Fellowships (IDRF)

• **One guaranteed** dissertation research fellowship to conduct research overseas – up to $18,000
  – **Deadline**: May 1, 2024, 1pm
  – **Notifications**: by June 1, 2024
  – **Payments will be processed in 2 installments**: July 2024 and January 2025

• **Budget**
  – **Funding period**: June 1, 2024 – August 31, 2025

• **Approved prospectus**

• Can be combined with other grants, you can receive the AY and Summer stipend, UDF
EXCLUDED ITEMS 1

- Personal expenses, food, incidentals, etc.
- Expenses related to attending conferences
- Survey contracts, data sets, etc.
- Gifts and tokens to surveys participants and informants
- Research assistants and any expenses related to them
- Translators, interpreters

- Gifts to hosts, community, donations to charity
- Additional health insurance coverage, that goes beyond already provided by Gradate School Geo Blue travel insurance, such as mental health counseling, dental/eye coverage
EXCLUDED ITEMS 2

• Equipment that will become the student’s personal property, such as, cameras, recorders, computers, etc.
• US visa fees
• Ticket change fees, extra luggage fees
• Books and journals
• Lab equipment, lab tests, camping gear etc.

• Software
• Charges in the US (excluding airport shuttle)
• Taxes
• Tuition for language courses
• Business meals, networking with faculty members and students
PAYMENTS

• Graduate Students:
  – Assumption of Risk and Waiver
  – Zelle – Yale email address, FNIS on file.

• IRB approval ONLY if required for your project. Please go to https://your.yale.edu/policies-procedures/other/student-projects

• Register your travel with Yale Office of International Affairs http://world-toolkit.yale.edu/yale-travel-registry-instructions

• International Tax Office
REPORTS AND RECEIPTS

• Receipts for major expenses
  – The award letter will provide detailed instructions and templates
• Proof of travel (tickets, accommodations)
• Report
• Will have an opportunity to be featured on MacMillan Student Spotlight.
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Info Session Handouts
Questions