Study Abroad/Away Scholarship Service Requirement

As a scholarship recipient, you are required to participate in a study abroad/away related service activity or project during or after your experience which will be tracked by the Study Abroad & Away Office.

The goal of your service requirement is to share your experience and help promote Study Abroad & Away to other TU students. You have several options to fulfill your obligations. Please choose one of the options below. If you have questions about any of these options, please contact our office.

NOTE: Students who receive the *TU Institutional Diversity Study Abroad Scholarship* are asked to complete their service requirement in a way that provides outreach to underrepresented groups in study abroad. Please contact the Study Abroad & Away Office for more information and outreach ideas.

Service Requirement Options:

1. Takeover one of our social media accounts for a day (or more) OR submit 8 eye-catching photos for sharing on social media. Email them to studyabroad@towson.edu with captions. Send the highest resolution possible; TU student email may not support large attachments, so you may send through Gmail or another server.

2. Submit a post for our office blog.
   a. Write your own story reflecting on a memory or your experience. Send the story (with photos) to studyabroad@towson.edu and we will review, make any edits as needed, and publish.
   b. Answer a brief Q&A, questions included below. We will draft the post based on your answers.
      i. Name, major, grad year, hometown, destination abroad, term abroad, program abroad.
      ii. Provide 3-5 photos of your experience with captions. You're welcome to include photos that you're in, or landscapes of the places you've been. Bonus points if you capture a photo that is academic in nature (i.e. classroom setting, research project, intern placement, a picture of you studying).
      iii. How did you choose your location for study abroad?
      iv. Did your experiences abroad met your expectations? Exceeded them?
      v. Talk about your favorite spot in your home away from home. Where? Why?
      vi. You could hardly believe your eyes when you saw ... What? Why?
      vii. What challenged you while you were abroad? Why?
      viii. What would you say to students worried / concerned / afraid of studying abroad?
   b. Create a brief (1-2 minute) and engaging video to illustrate your experience. The video may be shared on social media.

3. Volunteer for a Study Abroad & Away campus event. These include but are not limited to the Study Abroad & Away Fair, TU Open House events, information sessions, advising events, tabling, etc. We may put a call out via email for volunteers, but you are welcome to reach out with an idea on how you can help.

4. Participate in a student panel during a pre-departure orientation, International Education Week session, or at a Career Services event.

5. Get permission from one of your professors to give a classroom presentation on your experience. We'll need to see an email from the professor to confirm.

6. Contact a student group or organization to give a presentation on your experience. We'll need to see an email from a member of the executive board of the group to confirm.

7. Submit an article to The Towerlight about your experience.

8. Do your own thing! New and creative ideas are welcomed and encouraged. Have an interest in doing something not listed above? Email studyabroad@towson.edu for approval of additional service requirement activities!