

THE JOHN & BARBARA GILLETTE STUDY OF THE ARTS ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The John & Barbara Gillette Study of the Arts Abroad and Academic Scholarship Fund for The University of Akron's Mary Schiller Myers School of Art was established in 2013 by John & Barbara Gillette to provide students with the opportunity to explore the borderless and timeless language of the arts, and to provide the gift of education for art majors. The Gillette Study of the Arts Abroad Scholarship offers invaluable lessons in life and art for junior and senior-level students who have declared art as their primary major. For the students who are selected to participate in the program, it is a high honor and responsibility. Held in even numbered years starting in 2014, the Gillette Study of the Arts Abroad Scholarship program will provide full support for overseas travel and study in contemporary art forms, art culture and art history.

The Gillette Study of the Arts Abroad Scholarship is one of the most prestigious and valuable awards offered through the Myers School of Art. The application process is highly selective, and only seven to ten scholarships are awarded. All art majors who meet the eligibility requirements are welcome to apply; a faculty nomination is not necessary to earn this scholarship. Your application materials are of critical importance: you are strongly encouraged to put your best work forward in order to be competitive for this scholarship.

SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

Eligible for the Gillette Study of the Arts Abroad Scholarship are undergraduate students who:

- have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.000;
- have at least a 3.500 grade point average in their Major (all ART/7100: Art classes);
- will be a Junior or Senior in the semester of travel;
- have a declared art as their primary major; and
- are in good standing with the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards.

Ineligible for the Gillette Study of the Arts Abroad Scholarship are:

- seniors graduating in the semester of travel;
- students who submit incomplete or late applications.
- students who have already traveled on either a Gillette Study of the Arts Abroad or a Venice Biennale trip.

Preference will be given to applicants who have not yet been awarded a full -funded international travel scholarship.

1. Cover sheet

The requisite cover sheet must be completely and accurately filled out; reformatted cover sheets are not permitted. If you need assistance determining your GPA or earned credit hours, please consult the Manager of Student Affairs.

The cover sheet can be found on the last page of these guidelines.

DEADLINE

Application materials should be submitted to Sofia Calderwood, Manager of Student Affairs at sofia@uakron.edu by

5:00pm on Friday , February 21, 2025.

A single pdf of the above materials should be emailed to the Manager of Student Affairs. The pdf must be titled **LastName_FirstName_Gillette_SemesterYear.pdf**.

No materials will be accepted in hard copy or as print outs.

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COVER PAGE**

**Please complete this form by typing the required information and checking the boxes.
Print, sign, scan, and place it as the first page of your pdf application.**

Name: _____

Home phone: (____) ____-____ Mobile phone: (____) ____-____

Student ID #: _____ Major: _____

Minor/s (if any): _____

UA e-mail address (not your personal email): _____

Status as determined by earned credit hours: **W**Senior **W**Junior

ART GPA (AR/7100) classes: _____ Cumulative GPA (all UA classes): _____

Anticipated Graduation Date/Term: _____

MYERS SCHOOL OF ART AWARDS & GRANTS DISCLOSURE

Have you previously received an award or grant through the Myers School of Art?

WYes **W**No

If yes, list all including dates awarded, and their status (complete or in-progress):

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Authorization for the Release of Information: By signing this form, you grant the Myers School of Art permission to consult with offices and units on campus as needed to administer this scholarship, including the Office of Student Conduct and Community Standards and the Office of Student Financial Aid.