First-Year First-Generation Global Explorer Scholarship

The First-Year First-Generation Global Explorer Scholarship is for first-year first-generation undergraduate students who will be studying in a non-English speaking country (Germanic or Romance language destinations preferred). Applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- A. Status as full-time Bellarmine undergraduate student in good academic and social standing.
- B. Acceptance in an established program (for credit programs only: short-term or long-term) in a non-English speaking country (even if the classes will be taken in English). Students applying to such programs who have not yet been informed of their acceptance are eligible to apply. Bellarmine reserves the right to award scholarships contingent upon future acceptance to an approved program.
- C. Merit and need will be taken into consideration on a first come, first served basis.
- D. No minimum GPA requirement.

Requirements upon return from abroad:

- A. Within 30 days after his/her return to the United States, a scholarship recipient must submit to the Executive Director of the Office for Study Abroad & International Learning (OSAIL) an overview of his/her study abroad program for the BU website (template available here), which must include at least 2 pictures (preferably with a BU t-shirt or towel provided by the OSAIL for this purpose) of the scholarship recipient abroad. Pictures, reports and overview may also be used for other P.R. purposes and incorporated (preferably as a power point presentation) into promotional events by the student.
- B. A scholarship recipient must further agree to participate in one program/event over the course of one year following his/her return including the Study Abroad Fair, a Freshman Focus presentation, an information table for the OSAIL, an International InclusiviTea event, an International Club event, the International Student Reception (fall) or Luncheon (spring), or another study abroad promotional event.
- C. Upon return to the U.S., scholarship recipients are encouraged to be paired with an incoming Bellarmine exchange student as a peer mentor for a minimum of one semester. The peer mentorship will include but is not limited to:
 - a. Assisting international students with the dormitory check-in.
 - b. Helping international students with general adjustment to the Bellarmine campus (introduction to the city, social invitations, etc.).

*These \$2,000 scholarship awards are contingent upon availability of funds.