



## Highlighting Your Gilman Experience on LinkedIn

Being a U.S. Department of State’s Gilman Scholarship recipient and your experience studying abroad is something to brag about! We recommend that students add recognition of being a Gilman Scholar, a recipient of a nationally competitive and prestigious award, to their LinkedIn profile. In addition, you gained transferable skills and knowledge from studying or interning abroad that can be displayed on your LinkedIn profile, enhancing your value to a potential employer.

If your program was primarily academic, we advise that you list the program information under the *Education* section. If the program abroad entailed an experiential learning component, such as an internship, work experience, or volunteer opportunity, this can be listed under the *Experience* section. Students may also choose to list leadership achievements, honors, and skills developed abroad under the appropriate headings.

### Education section

- Name of study abroad program or host university
- City and country of program
- Term of enrollment (i.e. Spring 2012)
- Title of program, or specific academic focus of program
- Description of program to highlight the academic, professional, and personal impact
  - Relevant coursework and research
  - Foreign language acquisition and level
  - Transferable skills gained
  - Any other involvement such as an internship, volunteer work, or extra-curricular activities

### Honors and Awards section

- List the scholarship as “Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship”
- When you received the scholarship and host country
- The following description of the scholarship:

*The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program aims to diversify the kinds of students studying and interning abroad and the countries where they go. The Gilman International Scholarship Program is a nationally competitive scholarship, congressionally funded and sponsored by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs at the U.S. Department of State, and administered by the Institute of International Education.*

### Transferrable Skills:

*You can gain both technical and soft skills during your experience abroad, whether from your classes, research, internship, or extra-curricular activities. Reflect on your activities abroad and consider how you can identify the potentially valuable skills gained abroad to your future job or career. Examples are provided below and can also be referenced [here](#).*

*Technical Skills: interviewing, researching, budgeting, etc.*

*Soft Skills: flexibility, adaptability, team work, intercultural communication, resilience, etc.*

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## Examples

For a study abroad program:



Education

### **Example Study Abroad Program: Amman, Jordan**

Diplomacy and Policy Studies

2013 – 2014

- Completed 3 credits of coursework, including: Arabic Language, International Relations, and Economic Development
- Held part-time internship with the American Chamber of Commerce in Jordan
- Conducted research about regional diplomacy and domestic policies in Jordan
- Volunteered as an English teacher at a local elementary school

For study abroad at a host university:



Education

### **University of Botswana**

Environmental Studies

2013 – 2014

- Completed 3 credits of coursework, including: Land Reclamation, Africa in World Politics, and Tswana Language
- Held part-time internship with Forest Conservation Botswana and reviewed concept proposals submitted by potential grantees
- Conducted research about results of local soil tests
- Volunteered at local children's home
- Played tennis on University of Botswana's intramural team

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### **Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship**

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