



2023-24 CELESTE CARR STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

What is it?

The purpose of this award is to provide a study abroad scholarship to a world language teacher in Maryland. Priority will be given to individuals who have not had a previous study abroad experience. A scholarship may be distributed annually. Applicants must submit the items requested in the attached guidelines. Please click [here](#) to complete the application form by **April 30th, 2024 at 11:59 pm.**

Who may apply?

Applicants must be current members of MFLA (if unsure of membership status, please contact MFLAawards@gmail.com). Applicants may teach world languages at the elementary, middle, secondary, or post-secondary level.

What is the application procedure?

Applicants for the scholarship must upload the following in the [application](#):

- A curriculum vitae
- Two recommendations – with at least one being from an immediate supervisor.
Recommendations should include comments on the teacher’s abilities and interests as well as the benefit that a study abroad experience would provide the applicant. Recommendations should be as specific and concrete as possible.
- A list of prior study abroad and/or travel experience
- Study abroad program information - details of program in which the applicant wishes to participate (name, dates, program content and location of program). Information should include academic credit available and expenses.
- An essay in English by applicants of at least 250 words describing how this experience will enhance and invigorate their teaching, benefit students, and benefit other teachers in the profession in general and in Maryland in particular. Be as specific and concrete as possible.

The **rubric** that will be used to evaluate each application is included below.

Applications must include all information stated in the above section to be evaluated by the Awards Committee. Click below to complete the application.

[Celeste Carr Scholarship Application 23-24 - Google Forms](#)

What funding is included?

The Celeste Carr Study Abroad Scholarship will be in the amount of \$1,000 distributed in two installments of \$500 each. The first will be awarded upon selection, and the second following presentation of a related session at the MFLA Fall Conference. Recipients must show proof of acceptance into the proposed program of study, and a receipt of payment in order to receive the first installment of \$500.

What requirements are there if selected to receive the Celeste Carr Scholarship? The recipient must submit proof of completion of a professional learning experience or conference occurring in the current school year. The recipient will also be required to present a session on his or her experience at an MFLA

conference. The recipient may be asked to share oral and/or written information about scholarship-related experiences with others via a MFLA webinar, blog post, or interview. MFLA will follow-up with local media for press releases and coverage, with written approval of the recipient (see Media Consent Form).



CELESTE CARR STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP: APPLICATION FORM

NAME: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

HOME PHONE: _____

PREFERRED EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

SCHOOL NAME AND ADDRESS: _____

SCHOOL DISTRICT (if applicable) _____ SCHOOL PHONE: _____

SCHOOL EMAIL: _____

LANGUAGE(S) I TEACH: _____

_____ **YES** – I am a current member of MFLA (If you are unsure of your membership status, please contact us at MFLAawards@gmail.com)



MFLA MEDIA CONSENT FORM

I, _____, grant permission to MFLA to use my quotes and image (photographs and/or video) for use in MFLA publications including print, online, social media, and all other forms of media promotion for non-profit and non-commercial purposes.

I hereby waive any right to inspect or approve the finished photographs or electronic matter that may be used in conjunction with them now or in the future, whether that use is known to me or unknown, and I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising from or related to the use of the image.

Please **initial** the paragraph below:

_____ I have read this release before signing below, and I fully understand the contents, meaning and impact of this release. I understand that I am free to address any specific questions regarding this release by submitting those questions in writing prior to signing, and I agree that my failure to do so will be interpreted as a free and knowledgeable acceptance of the terms of this release. This consent will remain in effect until I revoke it in writing.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



CELESTE CARR STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP Date _____ To
be completed by the Awards Committee when evaluating application.

Name of Applicant: _____ **Language Taught:** _____

■ **Criteria** ■ **Criteria**

MFLA Member Information regarding the study abroad program

Curriculum vitae Essay

Application submitted on time Media

Recommendation 1 (immediate supervisor) Recommendation 2 (other:

Consent

A list of prior study abroad and/or travel experience.

Name of Study Abroad Program: _____ **Language,**
Country & Dates: _____

Selection Criteria: 5 10 15 20 Comments

Clear relationship between the study abroad experience and the benefits to the teacher and students

Level of need for the study abroad experience as determined by prior study abroad/travel opportunities

Strength of teacher's future potential and current abilities as evidenced in two letters of recommendations

Quality of the study abroad program chosen (content, length, academic credit, expense, extracurricular
Comments:

Articulation of the benefits for other teachers, MFLA, and the profession in general

Total Score _____ /100 points

Final Disposition: _____