

# TBC Returning Student Scholarships

#### Purpose

The returning student scholarships provide current undergraduate TBC students or alumni with a cash award to support their continued study in China at TBC.

#### **Award Amount**

Spring/Summer/Fall 2020 - Scholarship moneys of up to approximately \$2,000 (USD) will be awarded to the most qualified applicant(s). The scholarship moneys will be disbursed to the recipient(s) directly, in cash, during academic orientation at the beginning of the term. Whether a single scholarship or multiple scholarships are awarded, the total of all awards combined will not exceed the aforementioned amount, and each award will not exceed \$1000 (USD). If, in the judgment of the selection committee, applicants do not meet the scholarship criteria, TBC reserves the right to not grant a scholarship award.

### Eligibility

- Be a current degree-seeking, full-time, undergraduate student at an accredited university
- Be currently enrolled in or have previously been enrolled in a TBC program
- Have the intent to enroll at TBC for a second term
- Be a non-Chinese citizen (or have Permanent Resident status or citizenship in a country other than China)
- Be in good academic standing at your home institution and at TBC
- Be in good disciplinary standing at your home institution and at TBC
- Submit complete application to The Beijing Center's Student Life Office by the application deadline

#### **Application Deadline**

Spring 2020 applications are due **January 1, 2020** Summer 2020 applications are due **April 1, 2020** Fall 2020 applications are due **June 1, 2020** *Late submissions will not be accepted* 

#### Criteria for Selection

Scholarships will be awarded to the most qualified applicant(s) based on two criteria:

- 1) Demonstrated outstanding academic achievement during their study at TBC
- 2) A 700-800 word essay response that will be evaluated on content and clarity

## Frequently Asked Questions

If I have received other scholarships/financial aid to study abroad, can I still apply? Yes.

 $If I am \ a \ graduate \ student \ or \ `special' \ student, \ can \ I \ still \ apply?$ 

No. The scholarship is specifically for returning undergraduate TBC students.

If I studied at TBC in the fall can I still apply for the summer scholarship?

Yes. You can apply for the summer scholarship if you studied at TBC in the fall or spring.

If I studied at TBC during the summer can I apply for a semester scholarship?

Yes. You can apply for a semester scholarship if you studied at TBC in the summer.

Can I apply for a scholarship for my third semester/summer program at TBC?

Yes. You may apply for a scholarship for any returning semester/term.

## Returning Student Scholarship Application

Last Name:	First Name:		
Email Address:			
Home Institution:			
Semester attended at TBC:	Fall Spring	Summer	Year:
Scholarship applying for:	Spring Scholarship	_ Summer Scholarship	Fall Scholarship
	ely enrolled in at TBC (please indi		
2			_ Grade:
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4			_ Grade:
5			_ Grade:
6			_ Grade:

## **Essay Prompt**

It should be apparent to you that studying in China also involves studying yourself—a reexamination of who you are and who you might yet be, perhaps in a more penetrating way than you anticipated. Reflecting upon how this extraordinary nation has developed over the centuries—culturally, aesthetically, economically, politically—must surely give one pause to contemplate one's own role in the world, physically and spiritually.

Write a 700-800 word essay in that same spirit of meditation, reflecting upon how your time in China has changed you thus far, and how you plan to use the changes you already see in yourself in ways to serve others in the coming semester and beyond.

The essay evaluation is conducted blindly. Please be careful not to include identifying factors within your essay (e.g., hometown, home institution, nationality, etc.) where you can avoid it.

Submit all applications and essays to studentlife@thebeijingcenter.org by the published deadline

Please put your Last Name, First Name and the scholarship for which you are applying in the subject line
(RE: Last, First—Spring OR Summer 2020 Scholarship)