## Santa Rosa Junior College Study Abroad Scholarship Information Florence Spring 2023

- The Scholarship Office utilizes an online system called AwardSpring. You
  can apply now by clicking on this link: <a href="https://santarosa.awardspring.com">https://santarosa.awardspring.com</a>
- Please also be sure to read the Scholarship Office's AwardSpring
   instructions for Study Abroad: <a href="https://study-abroad.santarosa.edu/sites/study-abroad.santarosa.edu/sites/documents/Study%20Abroad%20Instructions%20%28Scholarship%20Office%2C%202022%29.pdf">https://study-abroad.santarosa.edu/sites/documents/Study%20Abroad%20Instructions%20%28Scholarship%20Office%2C%202022%29.pdf</a>
- IMPORTANT: In the "SRJC Enrollment and Program Related Questions" section of AwardSpring, you MUST answer YES to the question "Do you plan to participate in the SRJC Study Abroad Program next academic term" in order to see the Study Abroad scholarships.
- Due date for all Study Abroad scholarships is **Nov. 7, 2022**.
- Here are the Florence 2023 Study Abroad scholarships that are available on AwardSpring (must carry at least 6 units Fall 2022, have at least a 2.50 GPA, and have "financial need"):
  - --Ava and Sam Guerrera Study Abroad Scholarship (2 at \$2,000)
  - --Ruth Parlé Craig Study Abroad Scholarship (1 at approximately \$1,225)
- Although separate, if you qualify (at least 6 units Fall 2022, have at least a 3.00 GPA, have "financial need"), there is another scholarship that is also only available to Florence 2023 Study Abroad students:
  - -- North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation Sharie Sbrazza Memorial Scholarship (3 at \$1,000. Note that this scholarship requires that you give a presentation to the North Bay Italian Cultural Foundation upon your return about your experience.)
- Tips about the Study Abroad Scholarships:
  - --There will be two narratives for you to write:

- (1) "Please describe how a semester abroad will help you achieve both your academic and personal goals." *Hint: Mention why you choose Florence and what you expect to get out of the experience.*
- (2) "Summarize your school/community and/or individual activities and honors that are indicative of your breath of experience." *Hint: Write about some things you've accomplished--it can be practically anything, such as, for example, volunteer work, or achievements in academics, the arts, sports, etc.*
- --You won't need to write the same narratives twice, but you do need to be sure to press the submit button for each scholarship.
- What if something goes wrong? Please don't just give up. Contact the Scholarship Office and they will see what's going on.

## WAIT! THERE IS STILL ANOTHER SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE ONLY TO SRJC FLORENCE STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS!

- AIFS is offering 1 scholarship at \$1,000 and two at \$500.
- You must be willing to maintain a blog of some sort during the program.
- All SRJC students in the Florence 2023 Study Abroad program are eligible.
- The AIFS application is not available on AwardSpring and will only be available on the SRJC Study Abroad website. Please click here for the application: <a href="https://study-abroad.santarosa.edu/sites/study-abroad.santarosa.edu/files/documents/AIFS%20Scholarship%20Application%20Florence%202023.pdf">https://study-abroad.santarosa.edu/files/documents/AIFS%20Scholarship%20Application%20Florence%202023.pdf</a> (or find the link on the Florence info page: <a href="https://study-abroad.santarosa.edu/florence-spring-2023-information">https://study-abroad.santarosa.edu/florence-spring-2023-information</a>)
   Note: Do not go directly to the AIFS site; those scholarships are only for individualized programs, and you do not qualify for any of those.
- The AIFS scholarship will have the same narratives as the others on AwardSpring, except it will also ask you to submit a proposal of how you will work with AIFS and the Study Abroad Office to promote the Study Abroad program (this just means that you're willing to maintain a blog of some sort). Just write a paragraph or so about some ideas you have about writing a blog (pictures, videos, etc.) while you're in Florence. Mention

you'll provide your blog address to the Study Abroad office and that you'll also check in periodically with the AIFS office.

• Due date is Nov. 7, 2022.

To receive any scholarship or financial aid through SRJC for this program, you must maintain a minimum of 6 units through SRJC and a total of 12 units for the duration of the program.