

SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS



There are a number of ways that students can (and have!) found funding for the Sage Corps program. While this list is not exhaustive, it should provide some ideas of where/how you can cover all or part of the program fee. When you are reviewing funding sources, make sure that you're equipped with the Sage Corps program fees and understand the fee breakdowns. You can find program prices and cost breakdowns on the pricing page of the Sage Corps website.



For the **spring break Start! Program pricing** please visit [here](#).

For **all other programs** please visit:
sagecorps.com/sample-budget-your-city-here

For Example: sagecorps.com/sample-budget-buenos-aires
sagecorps.com/sample-budget-chicago

REMINDERS & TIPS

Your university or an associated organization may not cover the events portion of the program, however they may be able to assist with the housing fees, international insurance, or a percentage of the overall fee. Take time to peruse your university website and review the entrepreneurship center, career center, international internship program offices, or your academic department(s) for funding. Many departments and colleges have their own scholarships set aside for student subsidies (travel, need-based, research, etc.)

Ask for assistance with costs such as living and working abroad for a start-up, rather than simply requesting funding for an independent program like Sage Corps. Some universities and foundations request a letter proving you admittance to Sage Corps and/or an explanation of the work you will be doing. Please let us know if you require one as far in advance as possible. We are happy to help!

Unsure of where to start? We have compiled some resources to help kickoff your search. Note: if your school isn't listed, look at the offices/departments on the list below and see if there are sister offices on your campus that may have funding opportunities

RECOMMENDED OFFICES/CENTERS AT UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES:

(these are links, go ahead and click on them!)

Claremont McKenna:

- [Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship](#)
- [Kravis Center for Leadership](#)
- [Career Center](#)
- [Sponsored Internship Grant](#)

[Columbia University: Egleston Scholars Program](#)

[Middlebury College: CCI Internship Grant](#)

[Mount Holyoke College Opportunities](#)

[Northwestern University: Career Center Internship Program](#)

Pomona College:

- [Career Center](#)

[Rice: International Ambassadorship](#)

[University of Chicago: International Experience Grant](#)

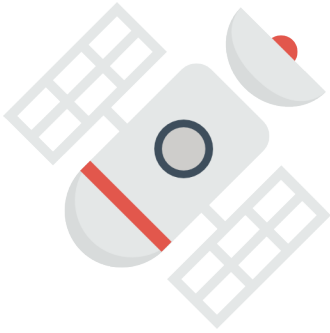
University of Michigan:

- [Zell-Lurie Entrepreneurship Center](#)
- [Innovate Blue](#)
- [School of Information](#)
- [IIP Opportunities Hub](#)
- [Center for Entrepreneurship](#)
- [Career Center \(school specific\)](#)

UPenn:

- [International Internship Program \(I3 Grant\)](#)
- [Wharton Entrepreneurship Fellowship](#)

[University of Virginia: Global Internship Scholarship](#)



TECHNOLOGY GRANTS:

SME Education Foundation

IEEE

ASME



GRANTS FOR MINORITIES:

Hispanic Associations of Colleges and Universities (HACU)

National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE)

National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering

NOGLSTP



GRANTS FOR WOMEN:

BHW Group

Palantir Scholarship for Women in Engineering

Stephen Bufton Memorial Education Fund

Susan E. Stutz-McDonald

Society for Women Engineers

ALTERNATIVE RESOURCES

If grants are not available to you, try using some of these ideas instead, or alongside what you have already done!

GENERAL SEARCH ENGINES

- [Student Scholarship Search](#)
- [FastWeb](#)
- [Big Future by CollegeBoard](#)
- [Federal Student Aid](#)
- [FinAid](#)
- [Scholarships.com](#)
- [UniGo](#)
- [American Gap Association](#)

CROWD SOURCING

Using social media to raise money for various causes has been growing in popularity. Create a page explaining your story and your goals for the trip. This can be done written out, or with a video! Some possible sites to use are:

- [GoFundMe](#)
- [Kickstarter](#)
- [Fundmytravel](#)
- [Rally](#)



LOCAL GROUPS OR ORGANIZATIONS TO CONTACT

- Heritage groups (i.e. Japan American Society)
- Civic groups (Rotary, Kiwanis, and Lions Clubs)
- Agencies and foundations
- Travel agencies
- High school alumni associations
- Professional and business clubs
- Sororities and fraternities
- Vocational rehabilitation agencies (for students with disabilities)

OTHER FUNDRAISING IDEAS

If grants are not available, try using some of these ideas instead (or alongside what you have already done)!

- Do chores for family as well as trusted neighbors and friends in return for a donation.
- Ask for donations instead of holiday and birthday gifts.
- Reach out to family for donations of money and frequent flyer miles. Offer them a dinner and presentation about your trip upon returning.
- See if your parent's employers or your employer have a program to assist you or would be willing to donate.
- Sell t-shirts, art, or any items relating to a skill you have.
- Teach people a skill in return for donations.
- Sell old books, CDs, games, and records.
- Collect cans in the dorms, football tailgates, and at home.
- Have a bake sale.
- Collect spare change, it adds up to more than you would think.
- Take a chunk of money out of each of your paychecks and put them into your savings!

No matter what you do be sure to make your goals and purpose clear to the people you are reaching out to, and do not forget to thank them with a written letter or personal email for their support.



PARENTS EDITION

Build your reasons for why this will be a positive and impactful experience:

When it comes to sending their students across the country for long periods of time (or even short ones), parents are not always the most keen. Here are some tips to assist you when speaking to them about the matter.

1. Real Field Work

Students working with Sage Corps will not only be able to immerse themselves into the career field they have been learning about, but their involvement will allow them to grasp their terminal career goals. This experience would be more effective in another country than it would be in the environment they are used to, because in addition to the internship experience they will receive, they are able to collaborate with growing startups that will broaden their perspectives, and their network.

2. Resume

While studying abroad has become more common in recent years, 54% of Americans as of 2013 have not travelled outside of the United States before, and an even smaller number have had the ability to actually work abroad. While studying abroad is extremely fulfilling and exciting, having an internship in another country is an unmatched experience. An internship abroad requires more commitment and critical thinking, while still allowing students explore a new environment. Also, if your student is travelling to a country that speaks another language, they will have the ability to hone in on their language skills!

3. Independence

Whether or not your student has lived in dorms, off campus, or at home, they will learn independence on a heightened level when interning abroad. They will be living with other students in their program, and will have to grasp the routes and transportation of the city they will be staying in. They will need to not only budget their time to complete projects, but their checkbooks as well in order to ensure an enjoyable and accomplished trip.

4. Emotional Intelligence

Travelling in itself can open the eyes and minds of students in ways that cannot be done in a formal classroom setting. Your student will not only be able to travel abroad with Sage Corps, but they will also be living, working, and interacting with their peers and locals in the areas they are visiting. High emotional intelligence is correlated to strong leadership and interpersonal skills, which are assets in any career field in this day and age. Travel heightens a student's level of emotional intelligence, because they are interacting with cultures and lifestyles not familiar to their own. This allows them to become more sensitive to feelings and behaviors of others, making them not only a stronger worker, but a leader.

5. Self-Awareness

The entirety of the experience that the students will be exposed to grants them the ability to truly decide what they want to do with their lives. Working abroad with a company that is specifically chosen to match what a student has asked for is not something commonly done. While it may sound cliché, it will allow your student to get an accurate sense of who they are and where they want to be in life. They will get a sense of what it will feel like to have a position in the field they have been studying, and the separation between their internship and daily life will be smaller than it would be if they got an internship while taking university classes. Self-awareness is an unspoken qualification for any job because it shows an individual's ability to understand and handle their own needs, making them an efficient in handling the needs of others and the company in any workplace.