



## **Berridge Programs** **2021 Scholarship Information**

We encourage your scholarship application and want to find ways to make our programs possible for all interested applicants. There is no scholarship application deadline however, scholarships are awarded as applications are received so early application is encouraged. Please note that our scholarships cannot be combined. You may apply for more than one type of scholarship but you will only receive one scholarship per program.

### **Types of Scholarship**

#### **FINANCIAL NEED SCHOLARSHIP (ALL PROGRAMS)**

A flexible award for a percentage of the program tuition based on financial information submitted with your application. The award ranges from 30-50% for our summer high school programs and 30-70% for our gap year programs. If you attend a fee-paying school, you will need to be on scholarship at your school to qualify for this award. You will need to submit a personal statement, portfolio of work and a teacher reference letter to qualify.

#### **MERIT SCHOLARSHIP (High School Programs ONLY)**

A set award of \$400 - \$1500 (depending on the program) off tuition open to all students. You will need to submit a personal statement and a letter of recommendation from a teacher. You may submit a taped audition piece (Acting, Musical Theatre or Dance) or portfolio of work (Studio Art, Film or Music) if you believe it will strengthen your application but it is not required.

#### **DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP (France High School programs ONLY)**

An award for up to 100% of the program tuition available to historically underrepresented groups including but not limited to people of color, indigenous persons, people who identify as LGBTQIA and disabled persons. If you attend a fee-paying school, you will need to be on full scholarship at your school to qualify for this award. You will need to submit a personal statement, teacher reference and portfolio of work to qualify.

Please note that program tuition includes all room, board, activities and airport transfers. It **does not include** round trip airfare to France or US destination programs.

### **What you will need to apply**

**ALL APPLICANTS:** You will need to submit the regular application online, a personal statement and reference from a teacher who knows you well.

**FINANCIAL NEED AND DIVERSITY:** In addition to the above, if you are applying as an Acting/Musical Theatre major, you will need to submit a 1-2 minute taped audition piece. For all other arts, you will need to submit a portfolio or work which can include any art samples, written work, films or other supporting items. If you do not have any portfolio items, you can speak about your interest in developing a portfolio at interview. You will also need to submit financial information for your parent or guardian which should include tax

returns for both parents/guardians. If you believe tax returns do not accurately reflect your financial need, you may submit a statement explaining your unique situation.

### **Scholarships by Program**

#### **Gap Year Program CREATIVE SEMESTER in France**

Financial Need Scholarships for 30- 70% of the program tuition are available

#### **Gap Year Program THE NORMANDY EXPERIENCE in France**

Financial Need Scholarships for 30- 70% of the program tuition are available

#### **Summer High School Programs in France (2022)**

Merit Scholarships of \$1500

Financial Need Scholarships for up to 50% of the program tuition are available

Diversity Scholarships for 100% of the program tuition are available

#### **Spotlight and Generate/2021 at Westmont College, Santa Barbara, CA**

Merit Scholarships of \$1000 are available for Spotlight

Merit Scholarships of \$400 are available for Generate

Financial Need Scholarships for up to 40% of the program tuition are available

#### **Payment information for Scholarships**

There is no deposit due with your scholarship application. If you are successful and awarded a scholarship, we will work with you to determine a payment schedule that meets your needs. You may make payments on your tuition up to 60 days before the start date of your program with the permission of the Director.

#### **Full Payment Deadlines**

May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 for Spotlight and Generate/2021 in the USA

Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 for Winter Creative Semester

April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022 for Summer High School in France

If you apply after these deadlines, payment in full will be due when you are accepted into the program. If you need additional time to pay your tuition, or if you have questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with Andrea Mardon, Artistic Director at [andrea@berridgeprograms.com](mailto:andrea@berridgeprograms.com)