Eligibility: The Bemis Summer Research Scholarship in Europe is available to a Washington University undergraduate student in any division who wishes to do an independent project in Europe, broadly defined, during the summer preceding their final year of undergraduate study. Projects can be in any field provided that travel to Europe is a necessary condition for successful completion. Frequently, projects have been connected to thesis work (e.g. a paper requiring library or archival research in Europe, or examining art or architecture). Topics that have no specific European content are not suitable, nor are proposals that consist of language study, participation in a structured study abroad program, or travel without a specific focus.

Follow-up requirement: Upon return to campus, Bemis scholars are required to turn in a report on the project. The report should be submitted to International and Area Studies within the first 2 weeks of the Fall semester and may take the form of a travel journal, a summary of findings, a paper, or any one of many other formats. Bemis scholars are also strongly encouraged to submit a proposal that incorporates their research abroad to the Undergraduate Research Symposium.

Application components:

1. Data Sheet

2. Project description
   This should be a 3-5 page statement that, in as much detail as is feasible, outlines the independent project, timeline, and resources you will draw upon in Europe should you be awarded the Bemis. The proposal will be judged on the basis of originality and evidence that preparatory investigation has been done so that the project is both practicable and likely to be successful.

3. Faculty letter of support
   This letter should not only speak to the merits of the applicant, but also the merits and feasibility of the project and the applicant’s preparation to carry it out successfully.

4. Preliminary Budget

5. Transcript
   This must include the grades from the applicant’s most recently completed semester.

Please submit all documents by March 1st to:
Dr. Amy Suelzer, Assistant Director of International and Area Studies
Room 138 Old McMillan Hall, Campus Box 1088
One Brookings Drive
St. Louis, MO 63130
For more information, contact Amy Suelzer at 314-935-8372 or acsuelze@wustl.edu
Bemis Summer Research Scholarship in Europe

Personal Data:
Full Name: ___________________________________________    __ Female  __ Male
WU Student Number____________________
Birth date (mon/day/yr): ___/___/___
Telephone number(s): home______________________ cell ______________________
WU e-mail: _________________________________________

Local Address:

Permanent (home) address:

Emergency Contact:
Name:
Relationship:
Address:
Phone number:
Email:

Educational Information:
College or school where enrolled at WU: __ A&S  __ AR  __ FA  __ BU  __ EN
Your major(s): ______________________________
Name of academic advisor(s): ______________________________
Overall GPA:____
Have you been awarded additional funding for this project?  __ Yes  __ No
If yes, what kind and how much?  _________________________________
Have you applied for additional funding for this project? __ Yes  __ No
If yes, from what source(s)?  _________________________________
2. Project Description:
In 3-5 pages, please outline your research project, your proposed timeline, and the resources you will draw upon in Europe should you be awarded the Bemis. Please also discuss your preparation for this project in terms of relevant coursework, previous work on this topic, language proficiency, and, if relevant, specific training or skills you can draw upon to be successful in your proposed research.
Recommendation Form for the Bemis Summer Research Scholarship in Europe

Printed Name of Reference Person*: _________________________________

Student:
Full Name: _____________________________________
E-mail address: _______________________________________
Local Telephone Number: ________________________________

Statement: I hereby request a confidential letter of recommendation in support of my application. I waive the right to view the letter now and in the future.

____________________________________________
Student's Signature

* The recommendation should come from a professor, instructor, or advisor who is familiar with your academic work and the project you are proposing.

Evaluator:
Your evaluation should not only speak to the merits of the applicant, but also the merits and feasibility of the project and the applicant’s preparation to carry it out successfully. Assessment of the applicant’s personal suitability for independent research, including impressions of the applicant's maturity, self-discipline, adaptability, and initiative, is also quite useful.

Please send this form and the signed and dated letter directly to Dr. Amy Suelzer, Office of International and Area Studies, Campus Box 1088, Washington University, St. Louis, MO 63130 (tel. 314-935-8372, fax 314-935-7642, e-mail: acsuelze@wustl.edu).

Thank you!
4. Tentative Budget

Please estimate the amount of money that would be required to carry out the proposed project. Feel free to add notes on any particular item (e.g., Duration of stay, estimated number of visits to a specific site, etc.) if they are useful. You may give budget items in either US dollars or local currency. Be sure to consider the following:

International airfare (unless you will already be in Europe for another reason such as a semester or summer study abroad program)

Lodging

Food

Local transportation

Admission to museums/monuments (if relevant)

Travel between cities (if relevant)

Other (please explain)