

Applicant name: _____

SAGE FAMILY SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP

Application Deadline: February 27, 2026

**Please consider applying for this scholarship which provides
\$4,000 for summer or academic year travel to Laos and Southeast Asia.**

**Students who apply may select the timetable for their travel, either summer 2026 or the following
academic year, 2026-27.**

The purpose of the scholarship is to support travel and study abroad in Laos and/or any of the following countries: Thailand, Indonesia, Cambodia, Vietnam, and the Philippines. It is uniquely available to undergraduate students at Arizona State University. The Sage Family Southeast Asian Studies Scholarship is a tribute to William W. Sage's interest in and lifelong work in Laos and Southeast Asia and is provided in loving memory and honor of his parents, Lloyd G. and Twyla M. Sage.

To apply for the scholarship, please read the eligibility requirements carefully. Recipients must manage their own arrangements for travel and accommodations. Completion of the application form must ensure the applicant meets the eligibility requirements.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Students of all majors are invited to apply. Some prior study of Southeast Asia at ASU is preferred, but not required.
- Applicants must be enrolled as a full-time, undergraduate student at the time of application and have completed at least 56 semester hours or four (4) semesters of study prior to taking up the scholarship.
- Applicants agree by signing the application form that, if awarded the scholarship, they will: 1) submit, within three months of completing the scholarship, a trip report of approximately six pages (c2,000 words) reflecting on their travel and experience or, alternatively, a video report of equal substance; and 2) make at least one public or classroom presentation at ASU about their experiences.
- Applicants agree by signing the application form to: 1) apply for and receive a Passport; 2) abide by the laws of the countries in which they travel; 3) comply with the Arizona Board of Regents Student Code of Conduct; and 4) enroll in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) recommended by the ASU Study Abroad Office, <https://studyabroad.asu.edu/> and follow the advisories published by STEP; possess/acquire travel insurance.
- Financial need is not required. It is suggested that students inquire at the ASU Financial Aid Office if there is a question as to whether receiving this scholarship will impact their financial aid.

Application

1. The application form must be fully completed.
2. The applicant's name should appear at the top of each page.
3. A copy of a transcript that includes grades from your most recently completed semester (unofficial copies are acceptable).
4. Two (2) letters of recommendation from professionals/professors who can attest to the potential for success in academics at ASU and the character of the applicant. Each letter should be written on letterhead stationery and submitted by email to the email address below.
5. Transcripts and letters of recommendation must also adhere to the deadline of February 27, 2026.

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SAGE FAMILY SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

DEADLINE : Applications must be RECEIVED by 5:00 p.m., February 27, 2026 (see below).

Title: ☐ Mr. ☐ Ms. ☐ Mrs.

Name: _____ ASU ID#: _____
Last First M.I.

Local Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
Or Campus Phone

Local Address: _____
Street Address City State Zip

Permanent Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____
Street Address City State Zip

ASU College/Department: _____ Major: _____

Hours completed prior to spring semester 2026: ☐ Sophomore (25-55 hours) ☐ Junior (56-86 hours) ☐ Senior (87 hours or more)

Will you be returning to ASU after studying abroad? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Anticipated Graduation Date for Current Degree (month/year): _____

PLEASE INCLUDE WITH YOUR APPLICATION: (APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED SINGLE-SIDED, IN THIS ORDER)

- ☐ **Personal Statement:** Include a personal statement below or attach a typewritten statement (maximum 500 words, double-spaced) describing your: (1) personal and family background; (2) education and career goals; and (3) reasons for applying for the Sage Scholarship.
- ☐ **Transcript:** Please attach a copy of your ASU unofficial transcript, which includes grades from your most recently completed semester.
- ☐ **Letters of Recommendation:** Two (2) letters of recommendations are required for this application from professionals/professors who can attest to your character and to your potential both for academic success and for undertaking the scholarship in Laos. These letters must be received electronically, at Asia@asu.edu, by the Feb. 28 deadline. Please ask that they mention your name and the Sage scholarship in the subject line.

Please list names of people providing letters: _____

Applicant name: _____



Personal Statement (maximum 500 words, double-spaced, expand text box as needed or attach a separate file)

Please describe your: (1) personal and family background; (2) education and career goals; and 3) reasons for applying for the Sage Scholarship.

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**** ALL APPLICANTS ****
CONSENT TO RELEASE RECORDS

Among other rights afforded to me under Federal Legislation commonly known as “The 1974 Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act,” as amended, I understand that I have the right to specify the name of each and every individual to whom my records are released.

I further understand that I may waive my right to specify the name of each scholarship donor or scholarship committee to whom my records are released as long as such records are used only in connection with the ASU Foundation Office of Scholarship Development and Administration. I hereby authorize the Office of Scholarship Development and Administration to gather and release all records maintained by the office concerning me. Such records may contain the following:

- a. A copy of my unofficial transcript.
- b. Letters of recommendation bearing specifically on my application for scholarship.
- c. Other documents and information relating to my academic performance.
- d. Documents and information relating to my financial status.

I certify that the information throughout this application is accurate and that misrepresentation of any facts or details could result in ineligibility for any scholarships/awards.

Print Name _____

Signature _____

Date _____

The application form and all required attachments must be submitted by February 27, 2026.

Applications may not be faxed. The application may be submitted electronically to Asia@asu.edu (with Sage Scholarship on the subject line); delivered to the The Asia Center at ASU, Durham Hall 244D, attn: Chan Lwin; or mailed to this address with a postmark no later than February 27, 2026:

The Asia Center at ASU
Sage Family Southeast Asian Studies Scholarship
c/o SHPRS
P.O. Box 487302
Tempe AZ 85287-4302

For questions regarding this scholarship,
please contact Chan Lwin at Asia@asu.edu