Ten Things to Be Mindful of When Preparing a Gilman Scholarship Application

✓ Read the Gilman Scholarship Website
   www.iie.org/gilman

✓ Make sure you meet the eligibility requirements
   http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/Eligibility

✓ Determine when you should apply:
   GVSU Winter Term = Gilman Spring Term
   GVSU Spring Term = Gilman Summer Term
   http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/Deadlines-and-Timeline

✓ Understand application deadlines
   Campus deadline for GVSU Winter Semester certification is September 30, 2014
   Campus deadline for Spring/Summer, Fall, and academic year 2015/16 certification is February 15, 2015.
   **No extensions will be granted!**

✓ Read over the essay requirements
   http://www.iie.org/en/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/Apply

✓ Request your transcripts
   http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/Apply
   1. You will need to request transcripts from the Registrar’s Office at GVSU and all other institutions of higher education attended. **Plan ahead!**
   2. You will need to scan and upload your transcripts. Scanners are available in some GVSU computer labs or we can assist you in the Frederik Meijer Office of Fellowships (230 Mary Idema Pew Library) if you do not have access to a scanner.

✓ Begin your online application (use the information below)
   http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/Apply
   1. If your major is not provided on the Gilman online application, select the next closest major.
   2. Your financial aid advisor is Nick Bromley.
   3. Your study abroad advisor for GVSU Winter semester is Amanda Cuevas; for Spring/Summer, Fall, and academic year 2015/16 is Rebecca Hambleton.
   4. Please be aware that when you submit your Gilman application, Nick & Amanda/Rebecca will receive notification and will certify your application by the certification deadline.

✓ Provide ample time to draft your essays.
   • Writing Center consultants can assist you with the technicalities of your writing.
   • **Successful applicants have spent weeks revising their essays; these should not be written the night before the deadline!**

✓ Check out additional resources available to assist you in preparing a strong application:
   • Multimedia: http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/Multimedia
   • Application Tips: http://www.iie.org/Programs/Gilman-Scholarship-Program/Apply

✓ Complete your OASIS Expense Report through the Padnos International Center (www.gvsu.edu/pic) and make sure that your expenses in OASIS closely match your expenses submitted in your Gilman application. **Your expense report must be approved by Padnos International Center to be certified!!!**