

CONROY INTERNATIONAL STUDY GRANT

SPRING 2026



Patrick Conroy, an M.A. graduate of the Department of Spanish and Portuguese at UNM, has endowed **two, \$1,000 grants** to be awarded to **two meritorious students** who are either: **a Spanish or Portuguese major, second major or minor in the College of Arts & Sciences**; or are majors in another college at UNM **and are earning a Spanish or Portuguese second major or minor** who would like to study abroad but finds it difficult to afford the cost of a program. Upon return, the grantees will be encouraged to share their knowledge and experiences with the Department and University community.

The scholarship certificate will be presented at the Department's graduation ceremony - Saturday, May 16, 2026

Eligibility: You are eligible to apply **if you are:**

-  A degree-seeking UNM student;
-  In good academic standing at UNM;
-  Planning to participate in a UNM **approved Spanish or Portuguese study abroad program** between May 2026 and May 2027, such as:
*international exchange; short-term or faculty-led international course;
intensive language study; independent study; international internship;
service-learning program, etc.;*
-  Able to receive UNM credits or transfer credits for the international program;
-  Able to demonstrate financial need;
-  **A declared** * major, second major or minor in Spanish and/or Portuguese at UNM.

(* **declared** = degree program listed on the student's degree audit **and** transcripts.)

Application procedure:

-  Complete the online application by visiting the Spanish & Portuguese [website](#)
-  **Complete the application by Monday, April 6, 2026**

Application package checklist:

1. Completed two-page application (including references and budget),
References require contact information *only* from 2 people, such as professors, employers, supervisors, etc. *Letters of recommendations are not required.*
2. The two essay questions and answers,
3. A resume *that includes* any extra-curricular activities, community and/or volunteer work,
4. Copy of UNM unofficial transcript.

INELEGIBLE STUDENTS AND/OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

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Name: _____ UNM ID # _____

Street Address: _____

City, State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Name of Study Abroad Program: _____

Type of Program: _____ GEO semester exchange _____ GEO Short-term Language _____ Faculty Led

Other: _____

Country: _____

Host University or Program Sponsor: _____

Year / Term applying grant toward: _____ Spring Break _____ Summer _____ Semester

Declared Major ***and*** 2ND major or minor: _____

Expected graduation date: _____

Current UNM Cumulative GPA: _____ GPA in major: _____

Year in school: _____ Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior _____ Graduate _____ Other

Have you *traveled* abroad before? If so, where, when and how many times?

Have you *studied* abroad before (high school or previous university courses)? If so, where and when?

OPTIONAL: What do you consider to be your “home town?” _____

Ethnicity: _____ Gender and/or Pronoun: _____

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References: Please list the names and contact information for two references (on page 3), at least one from a teacher who has had you in class. The other may be a teacher, employer, or character reference (*letters of recommendation **Are Not required***)

Name: _____ E-mail address: _____

Telephone number: _____

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Telephone number: _____

Budget:

Estimate of expenses for your proposed program:

Tuition: _____

Transportation: _____

Room and Board: _____

Insurance: _____

Books and supplies: _____

Other: _____

Source of funds other than Conroy Grant:

UNM Financial aid: _____

Outside financial aid: _____

Personal funds/savings: _____

Parental or other contributions: _____

Other funds: _____

Estimate of need: (Expenses minus funding currently available) _____

Have you filled out a FAFSA form and turned it in? Yes No

Are you a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident? Yes No

Are you a UNM employee (do not include student or work study employment)? Yes No

Essay Questions: *No more than 500 words for each question*

The **quality** of your essay is an important factor in the selection process. Pay attention to the essay structure. Upload both essays – ***include your name and the essay question*** – at the top of each essay answer.

Essay 1: Why is participation in this international study program important to you, and what do you expect the major benefits to be for you? Why are you excited about this program? What got you interested in this country? How will this program help you in your future academic or career plans?

Essay 2: Describe your current financial situation and explain why you need additional financial support to participate in this program?

Applicant's Signature: _____