



## STUDENT OPPORTUNITY GRANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES

### ELIGIBILITY

1. The applicant must be a registered full-time student at the Eastman School of Music.
2. The applicant should currently be studying voice with a faculty member of the Eastman School of Music.
3. FEO will not provide grants for the purpose of auditioning for another school or traveling to a job, to offset a student's expenses at ESM, or to satisfy credit requirements at ESM.
4. For summer program grants, the applicant must be committed to returning to ESM in the fall.
5. Applicants in piano accompaniment with a focus on opera and vocal repertoire will be considered, but with a lower priority for funding than voice students
6. All in international travel funded through a FEO Student Opportunity Grant MUST be approved in advance by the University's Office of Global Engagement, as a risk assessment must be undertaken to ensure that the program and destination meet University safety guidelines. Failure to adhere to this requirement will mean that Eastman is unable to disperse the grant to a student regardless of prior approval by the FEO. Once approved by the FEO, it is the student's responsibility to contact Eastman's Office of Academic Affairs to make arrangements for review of their international travel plans.
7. FEO grants are subject to University of Rochester policies regarding domestic or international travel, which the University may at any time suspend travel to a particular country or region. If a student has incurred actual out-of-pocket expenses for that travel before travel was suspended. FEO may in its sole discretion reimburse the student for incurred expenses.

### SCHOOL-YEAR TRAVEL GRANTS

- a. Travel expenses of up to \$400 paid as a reimbursement may be used to cover transportation to/from auditions, master classes, or competitions,
- b. School-Year Travel Grant applications must be submitted at least one week before the start of the program.
- c. A student may receive no more than two Travel Grants during his/her current degree program.
- d. A written report about their travel experience must be submitted within two weeks after the end of the program. Reimbursement will not be processed until the report is received.

### SUMMER PROGRAM GRANTS

- a. Students may use FEO funds to attend an established summer program of vocal performance without remuneration, or a non- credit course of foreign language study.
- b. The funds may be used for tuition, travel, and/or accommodations at the requested program.
- c. FEO Grants are intended to be only one funding source, not a full scholarship for Summer Program attendance.
- d. Summer Programs grants are typically awarded in the \$500 - \$1,500 range.
- e. To be considered, applications must be received by the due date, even if the applicants have not been accepted into the summer program.
- f. Applications to multiple programs must be submitted separately.
- g. A summary of the applicant's summer program experience must be submitted within two weeks after the conclusion of the program, but no later than October 15.
- h. The deadline for Summer Program applications is the first Friday after Spring Break.