

MIAD Summer Travel Study Program: Driftless Region 2026-27 APPLICATION FORM

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LOCAL ADDRESS

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MAJOR

INTENDED DATE OF GRADUATION

YEAR IN SCHOOL

ARE YOU ON ACADEMIC OR DISCIPLINARY PROBATION AT MIAD?

YES

NO

TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE PROGRAM:

You must have a minimum 2.5 GPA, no business office holds, in good academic standing, and be enrolled as a full-time MIAD student at the time of application and during the semester prior to the program start. Note that MIAD scholarships are not applicable to summer travel programs. Summer financial aid is only available to students taking at least 6 credits. Contact Financial Aid with any questions.

YOUR COMPLETE APPLICATION is due by 12:00 PM on Monday, November 30, 2026, to be considered.

CHECKLIST OF REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS. ALL MUST BE INCLUDED FOR CONSIDERATION:

_____ Application Form

_____ Reference Form 1

_____ (print name of faculty / staff providing reference)

_____ Reference Form 2

_____ (print name of faculty / staff providing reference)

_____ \$300 Deposit

_____ Statement of Interest (Quality is critical in order to determine participation)

WHAT DO I DO WITH MY COMPLETED APPLICATION?

Please deliver applications to Laura Sear in office 255E or in her mailbox in the Faculty/Staff mailroom.

Your deposit can be paid by check or paid in the Business Office by cash or credit card. (Attach a receipt of payment if paid in the Business Office.) Checks should be payable to MIAD with the note line indicating "Driftless Program Deposit."

ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Space is limited.

The quality of a student's Statement of Interest, GPA, year in school, references, date of submitted application and permission of instructors will determine acceptance into the program.

Students accepted into the program will be required to complete and sign a commitment letter in early December and submit this within 5 days of receipt. Once the commitment letter is signed, the \$300 deposit is non-refundable. (If MIAD cancels the program, the deposit WILL be refunded.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Laura Sear, Interim Academic Budget & Purchasing Manager

Office: 255E

Email: laurasear@miad.edu

Phone: 414-847-3331

OFFICE USE ONLY:

_____ Date Received

_____ Initials

_____ References

_____ Deposit

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2026-27 REFERENCE FORM #1

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE

TO THE STUDENT APPLICANT: Please complete this top section and then give it to a MIAD faculty or staff member to complete the bottom portion. (At least one of your references must be a faculty member.)

Applicant Name: _____

Cell: _____ Email: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

TO MIAD FACULTY / STAFF REFERENCES:

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Your responses will assist us in evaluating whether this student will be successful in this program.

How long have you known this student? _____

In what capacity do you know this student? _____

Have you interacted with this student in person outside of class? _____

Do you think this student could creatively and socially meet the demands of a travel study program?

_____ Yes _____ Why or why not? _____

_____ No _____

Would this applicant be a good representative of MIAD? Why? _____

What attributes or characteristics has the student demonstrated that might indicate their readiness for a travel study program? _____

Is there anything about this student that concerns you about their ability to contribute positively to the group or their ability to meet the academic demands of the program? _____

Name: _____ Title: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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2026-27 STATEMENT OF INTEREST

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INSTRUCTIONS:

Please take some time to write 5-7 paragraphs explaining why you would like to participate in MIAD's summer study travel program, including your readiness to take advantage of this opportunity and what you expect to gain. Faculty leading the course will read this to get a better sense of your interest, curiosity, and capacity for success in the program.

Some questions to consider as you draft your Statement:

- Why are you interested in this particular program?
- What do you already know about the location or the subject matter?
- What do you hope to learn?
- What do you hope to discover about yourself through this experience?
- How do you imagine this experience will affect your development as an artist, designer, writer?
- How do you think you might be able to contribute to the overall group experience?

This statement will be used to determine your interest, readiness, and potential for success in this program so please take time to make this a thoughtful response.

Type your statement and attach it to this form.