**Instructions for submitting your proposal.** Complete sections I-III of the scholarship application and submit with your completed Connecting Experience Proposal. Please provide as much information as possible to allow our office to make an informed decision.

**Important Scholarship Information.** Please read the following very carefully. If you have any questions about the scholarship process, please direct them to your BDP advisor.

Please note that scholarships are awarded after a Connecting Experience begins. Even if you receive an award, you will need to pay program, travel, or other fees before you receive any funding from the BDP Office. Please make arrangements to pay these costs as there may be a significant delay between the time your Connecting Experience begins and the time you receive your award.

If you are currently receiving financial aid and you are awarded a BDP scholarship, we recommend that you speak with a counselor in the Office of Student Financial Services to determine whether this Connecting Experience scholarship will affect your existing aid package.

If you receive a scholarship, it will be disbursed via direct deposit. If you do not have direct deposit set up, any awarded funds will be mailed to your current local address. Please update your address and direct deposit information on UT Direct.

**BDP Scholarship Evaluation Criteria.** BDP scholarships are designed to help defray the cost of pursuing a Connecting Experience; as such, financial need is strongly taken into consideration. The factors are considered:

- Student’s financial need
- Connection of the experience to the BDP topic & strand (if applicable)
- Quality of the Connecting Experience
- Location of the Connecting Experience

### Section I. Student & Connecting Experience Information

| Student name: ______________________________ | EID: ______________ |
| BDP: ______________________________ | Strand (if applicable): ______________________________ |
| Type of Credit: | ☐ BDP Course Credit ☐ Departmental Course Credit *(specify Department & Course Number): ______________________________ |
| Credit Semester: | ☐ Fall ☐ Spring ☐ Summer | Year: ______________ |
| Have you received a BDP scholarship in the past? | ☐ Yes ☐ No | If yes, how much? $ ______________________________ |

If proposing to study abroad, what type of program? *(Please see the Study Abroad website for details on program types)*

☐ Exchange ☐ Maymester/Summer Faculty-led ☐ Affiliated Program ☐ Other: ______________________________

### Relationships for Scholarship Applications.** State law requires that each student identify any relation to a current member of The University of Texas System Board of Regents. A student who is related to a current member of the U.T. System Board of Regents is prohibited from receiving any scholarships unless the scholarship is awarded exclusively based on academic merit or is an athletic scholarship. It is a Class B misdemeanor to file a false statement.

Applicable relationships include one of the following:

1. Regent’s spouse, spouse's child, spouse's parent, child’s spouse, or parent’s spouse.
2. Regent’s spouse’s brother or sister, spouse’s grandparent, spouse’s grandchild, brother’s or sister’s spouse, grandparent’s spouse, grandchild’s spouse.
3. Regent’s parent, daughter, son.
4. Regent’s brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild; or
5. Regent’s great-grandparent, great-grandchild, uncle or aunt (brother or sister of parent) nephew or niece (son or daughter of brother or sister)

A list of the current members of the U.T. System Board of Regents is available at [http://www.utsystem.edu/bor/currentRegents.htm](http://www.utsystem.edu/bor/currentRegents.htm).

Are you related to any member of the U.T. System Board of Regents? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please identify the Board member and the relationship: ______________________________
Section II. Budget for Connecting Experience

Budget. This information will be taken into consideration by the BDP Scholarship Committee; however, submission of this information is not a guarantee that scholarship funds will be made available.

The following are expenses that are NOT usually taken into account.

- Fall and Spring UT Tuition
- Textbooks for UT courses
- General living expenses (housing and food) in Austin
- Laptops, computer hardware/software available in UT labs
- Any travel expenses not directly tied to your Connecting Experience

Please complete each section, as applicable. If you need more space, you may use the back of this page or attach additional information.

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<th>Connecting Experience Expenses</th>
<th>Amount</th>
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<td>Tuition for course (only include this if your Connecting Experience is in the summer or not part of flat rate tuition)</td>
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<td>Stipend or other wage to be received for Connecting Experience work</td>
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<td>Airfare and travel costs</td>
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<td>Grants</td>
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<td>Local transportation expenses (only if your Connecting Experience requires excessive transportation within location)</td>
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<td>Supplies &amp; materials (list each item and cost)</td>
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<td>Professional meeting (specific meeting/conference travel and registration fees)</td>
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<td>Other scholarships you have been awarded (list name and amount of each scholarship)</td>
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<td>Study Abroad expenses (i.e. passport, visa, insurance)</td>
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<td>Total work study wages (if you have a work study position during your Connecting Experience)</td>
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<td>Housing (if not in Austin AND you have to pay extra for housing in order to complete your Connecting Experience)</td>
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<td>Total lost wages (if unable to work your regular paid position)</td>
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Total expenses $
1. Have you completed a FAFSA/TAFSA for 2015-2016?  [ ] Yes  [ ] No
If you did not complete a FAFSA/TAFSA, please explain why you did not:

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2. Were you awarded financial aid for the 2015-2016 academic year?  [ ] Yes  [ ] No
Please describe any financial need that may not be accurately reflected in your FAFSA/TAFSA (e.g., a parent recently lost a job, unforeseen medical expenses due to recent illness, etc.).

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3. Do you typically work?
[ ] No, I do not work.
[ ] Yes, summer only.
[ ] Yes, long semesters only.
[ ] Yes, all year including summer.

If you checked YES in any of the boxes above, please describe what you do for work and how this Connecting Experience might impact your ability to work.

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If you checked NO above, you are welcome to describe your situation or any circumstances that prevent you from working.

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4. Have you applied for any scholarships for this experience that you have not yet heard back about?  [ ] Yes  [ ] No
If you checked YES above, list the scholarships you have applied for, their amounts, and when you expect to learn whether you have received an award.

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5. Please provide any additional information you would like us to know regarding your financial situation.

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Student Certification. I certify that all of the information provided in this scholarship application is accurate and complete. I certify that I intend to complete the requirements for the Bridging Disciplines Programs certificate. If awarded a scholarship, my acceptance of the funds confirms my intent to complete this certificate program.

Student Signature: ____________________________ Date: ______________

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