

# Amasa Bishop Summer Study Abroad Prize Official Reference Form

Application Deadline March 1, 2026

Please email to the FASA Office [SAreferences@caltech.edu](mailto:SAreferences@caltech.edu)

**\* This section to be completed by student \***

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Option: \_\_\_\_\_

Freshman      Sophomore      Junior

Name & location of proposed study abroad program \_\_\_\_\_

Reference from: \_\_\_\_\_

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This is a CONFIDENTIAL evaluation. I hereby waive my access to this evaluation

**Applicant's signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

This reference will be helpful in evaluating the applicant's qualifications for the Amasa Bishop Prize. It should preferably be completed by a Caltech faculty member or instructor who can comment on the applicant's academic and personal qualifications for this prize. Students participating in this program will go abroad for two to twelve weeks in the summer. (Students should provide the reference writer with a description of their proposal study program.)

Dr. Amasa Bishop graduated from Caltech with his B.S. in physics in 1943 served as Chief of the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission's Controlled Thermonuclear Branch. He went on to become the Atomic Energy Commission's European Scientific representative.

Due to Dr. Bishop's understanding of the need for scientists and engineers to gain exposure to international issues and cultures, his son, Stephen Bishop, has agreed to fund prizes each year for summer study abroad.

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_ In what capacity? \_\_\_\_\_

*In the rating below please check the box that best indicates your opinion of the applicant's qualifications. Please compare the applicant with other Caltech undergraduates at a comparable level of education.*

	Exceptional	Outstand -ing	Unusual	Good	Above Average	Average or below	Unable to observe
Ability to get things done independently							
Adaptability to new situations							
Emotional stability & maturity							
Impression applicant will make abroad academically and socially							
Originality & imagination in academic work							
Capacity for conscientious, hard work							
Potential for future growth in science & engineering							

**In the space below or on an attached sheet please make any further comments that will complete the picture on the applicant's qualifications for the Amasa Bishop Summer Study Abroad Prize. Please mention weak as well as strong points.**

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**From my knowledge of this applicant, I am willing to give my:**

**full endorsement**       **qualified endorsement**

Name (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Department \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_