The Jane R. Glaser Scholarship Fund provides financial support to an undergraduate student enrolled in the School of Public Affairs (SPA) at American University. The scholarship is applied to at least one semester of study abroad at Hebrew University PLC in Jerusalem, Israel. Income from the fund (approximately $2,500) is awarded each year to a different student.

Established in 2001 through the generosity of Patricia L. Glaser (SPA/BA ’69) and Samuel H. Mudie, the fund is in recognition of Jane Glaser, Patricia’s mother. Jane Glaser was director of the Office of Museum Programs for the Smithsonian Institution, an author of books and articles about museums, a leader in volunteer organizations, and a consultant and advisor who traveled worldwide to promote the important role of museums. A resident of Charleston, West Virginia, after World War II, Jane was an active volunteer in her community for close to 30 years and became director of Sunrise, the Children’s Museum and Planetarium of Charleston. She was voted president of the Association of American Youth Museums, and in 1975 she was appointed to her position at the Smithsonian. Her contributions to the museum field were recognized with her induction into the Cosmos Club, an honorary club in Washington, D.C., which awards membership to those with distinctive and meritorious careers. Jane passed away in November of 2004, and left a legacy of unique work in her profession.

Jane’s daughter, Patricia, is on the National Board of Directors of the American Friends of Hebrew University and considers her and her husband’s relationship to Hebrew University and a number of its graduates to be life-shaping. In the spirit of Jane’s work, which extended knowledge and guidance to countries around the globe, the Jane R. Glaser Scholarship Fund helps current SPA students travel to Israel to learn more about the world.
APPLYING FOR THE JANE R. GLASER SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship is awarded to an SPA undergraduate student. Scholarship funds are applied solely to the cost of attending Hebrew University.

Please work with your advisor, who should make a formal recommendation to the dean of the School of Public Affairs. Your advisor’s recommendation should, in one page, outline your grade point average and student activities and explain your reasons for studying at Hebrew University. This recommendation should be accompanied by a letter from you describing your interest in receiving the scholarship and studying abroad. Nominations for the fall semester should be received in the dean’s office by May 15, and for the spring semester by September 15.

The dean of the School of Public Affairs selects a recipient each year, based on a review of applications, interviews of candidates when needed, and consultation with faculty and staff.

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