

A group of young people, mostly students, are walking on a cobblestone street in front of a large, historic stone building. The group is diverse in age and appearance, with some wearing casual clothing like jeans and sweaters, and others in more formal attire like a white dress. They are all smiling and looking towards the camera. The background shows a clear sky and some greenery.

are you in,

to study abroad in Portugal?

*We don't offer  
programs all over  
the world, but we  
do Portugal like  
no other.*

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# Program overview

The Study in Portugal Network (SiPN) is a **specialized study abroad provider based in Lisbon, Portugal**. As a 4-university **consortium** of Lisbon-based universities, we aim to **attract U.S. students and faculty** to Portugal through various study abroad experiences.

SiPN offers **semester, full-year, summer, and customized study abroad opportunities**. SiPN's privileged relationship with Portuguese universities and governmental and non-governmental entities allows us to cover virtually any topic intended to be explored in Portugal.

As a **full-service study abroad program provider**, SiPN creates a nurturing environment for students and faculty seeking an enriching educational journey in Portugal. Whether pursuing a more “classic type” of semester/summer abroad or a more experiential-type curricular experience combining coursework with research/ internship opportunities, language immersion, or exploring Portugal's unique culture, SiPN offers a gateway to a memorable and enriching study abroad journey in this historically outstanding European country and the main hub of the Portuguese-speaking world.



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# The organization behind SiPN

SiPN's value stems from its affiliation with FLAD, a private Portuguese non-profit foundation devoted to advancing Portugal in conjunction with the United States. FLAD's focus on Science and Technology, Education, Art and Culture, and Transatlantic Relations aims to unlock Portugal's potential, strengthen Portuguese American communities, and foster collaboration across the Atlantic. Established in 2014, SiPN embodies this vision, aiming to strengthen academic ties between Portugal and the U.S. and attract more American students to study in Portugal.

FLAD is a grant-making foundation that promotes activities in various fields with one thing in common - linking Portugal and the U.S. In addition to SiPN and promoting higher education internationalization, it also develops various activities, such as:

- PT USA Campus - Fostering Education Abroad
  - in partnership with the National Agency Erasmus+ and the Fulbright Commission Portugal.
- Sponsor Visiting Faculty positions in US universities
- Grants for archival research in Portugal
- FLAD UP grants program to promote innovative HEIs internationalization projects between PT and the US
- Support PT programs centers in US universities
  - in partnership with Camoes Institute - Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

*FLAD/SiPN is a proud member of:*



SiPN Semester Programs

# **BHSS: Business, Humanities and Social Sciences**





*SiPN's flagship program*



Designed to serve a diverse group of students, this program provides access to a unique network of **4 of Lisbon's top universities**, allowing students to take courses in a broad range of fields: business, psychology, literature, history, law, political science, psychology, computer science, and more.

### **4 universities: students choose 1 host**

- ISCTE: Instituto Universitário de Lisboa
- Universidade Católica Portuguesa
- Universidade de Lisboa
- Universidade Nova de Lisboa

### **Dates:**

Fall: Sept - Dec (4 Months)  
Spring: Feb - May (4 Months)

### **Features:**

Diverse course listings in English & Portuguese. All business schools are AACSB, some triple crown









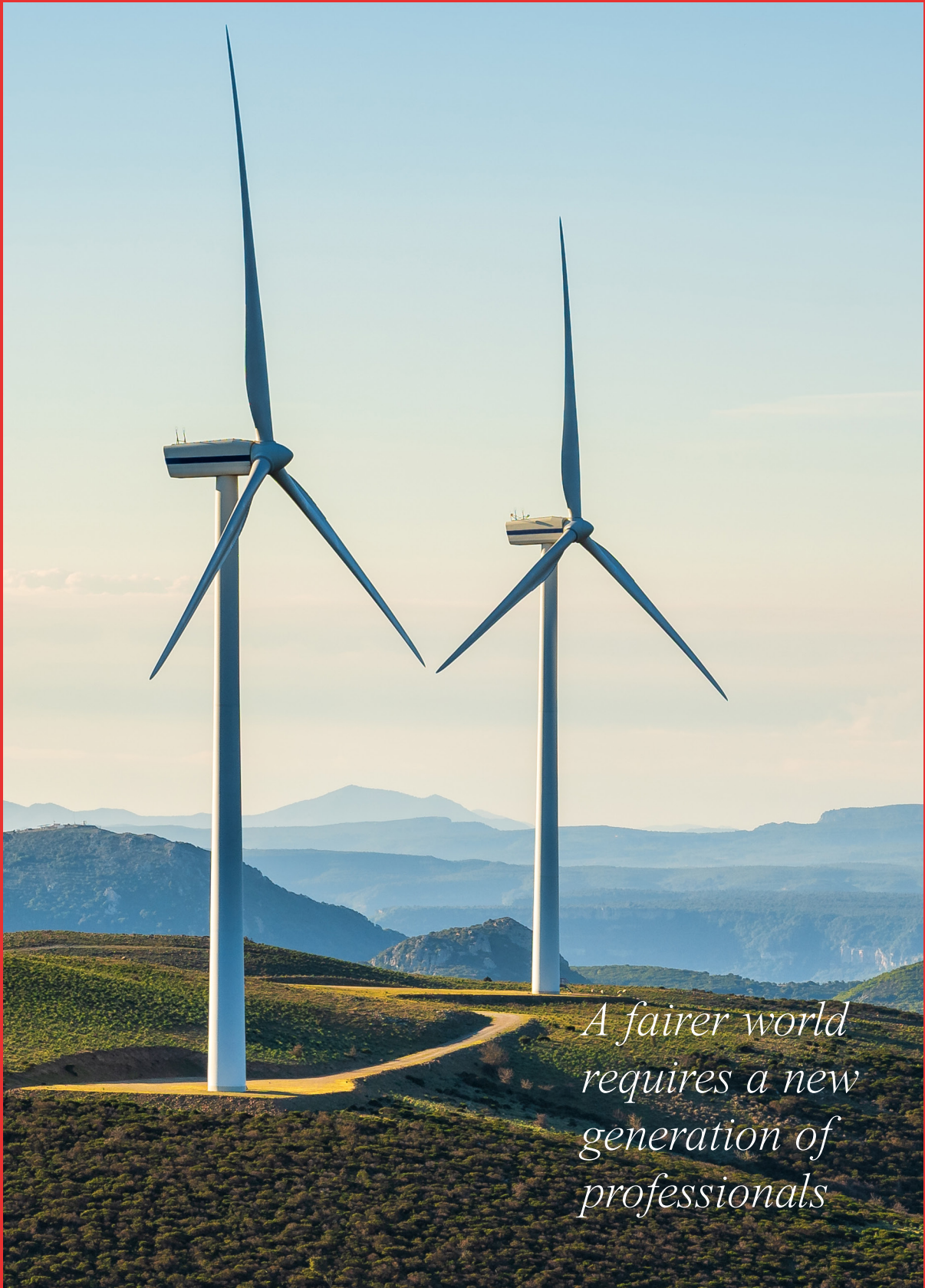
# SiPN Semester Programs

## **STEM: Emerging topics in Engineering, Technology and Sustainability**

This program was developed in partnership with IST - Instituto Superior Técnico







*A fairer world  
requires a new  
generation of  
professionals*

The semester program allows students in the fields of STEM – as well as Sustainability and Environmental Studies, to select courses in the following areas (taught in English):

- Energy for the Future and Renewable Energy Systems
- Engineering for Sustainability
- Humanitarian Engineering
- Cybersecurity

## Features:

Wider range of courses  
Immersive academic

## Dates:

Fall: Sept - mid January  
(4.5 months)  
Spring: Feb - June (5 months)

## 1 University:

Universidade de Lisboa:  
Instituto Superior Técnico (IST)

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## Focus:

3rd or 4th - year University

Students with engineering background

Other backgrounds (e.g., Physics or Chemistry) are also welcome

## Internships:

Students will have the opportunity to enrich their knowledge through hands-on experience working alongside researchers and engineers in their area of interest.

## Research Assistant Opportunities

These research assistant opportunities open the doors of research centers and other organizations linked with IST, to students who wish to learn about real-life challenges by developing short-term interdisciplinary research work. Research assistant opportunities are for credit (6ECTS) and offered in two main areas, though not limited to these:

- Circular Economy
- Humanitarian Engineering



# ALA: Advanced Liberal Arts Program



LETRAS  
LISBOA

This program was developed in partnership with the School  
of Arts and Humanities, University of Lisbon

## SiPN Semester Programs



A photograph of two women walking through a long, vaulted stone corridor. The architecture features high, pointed arches and stone pillars. Sunlight filters through a circular window at the far end of the corridor, creating a warm, golden glow. The woman on the left is wearing a denim jacket and dark pants, looking up at the ceiling. The woman on the right is wearing a light-colored sweater and jeans, looking towards the right. The floor is made of large stone tiles.

*Opportunities  
for students to  
cultivate research  
skills and broaden  
their knowledge  
in contemporary  
global contexts*



This program is geared toward intentional students with some Portuguese studies under their belt and who are looking for an immersive academic experience studying alongside Portuguese peers. Concentration areas in:

- Art Studies
- Classical Studies
- English Studies
- North American Studies
- Portuguese Studies
- Romance Studies

## Access to the Visiting Family Program

Beyond the classroom, ALA offers immersive opportunities through our Visiting Family Program. The VFP gives students the unique opportunity to dive into the experiences of Lisbon families. This opportunity allows students to learn more about Portuguese culture as well as share their own, participating in a unique intercultural exchange.

### 1 University:

Universidade de Lisboa:  
School of arts & humanities (FLUL)

### Internships:

Yes, Spring Semester only. Combine coursework with internship/junior research experience in 1 of 9 research areas

### Focus:

- Students who are looking for an immersive academic experiences
- Intermediate PT Level required

### Dates:

Fall: Sept - Dec (4 Months)  
Spring: end of January - May (4.5 Months)

### Features:

Wider range of courses  
Immersive academic experience



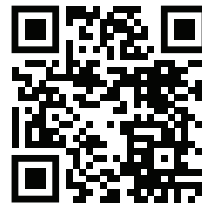
# SiPN Summer Program

## Students can stay for one or two sessions: June and July

SiPN summer programs are open to students of all disciplines, and graduate students are also welcome.

- Various classes in Business, Humanities, Social Sciences, Agronomy and beyond
- Courses taught by a mix of US-based and local faculty
- Portuguese language courses for foreigners - all levels available – both sessions – Suitable for FLAS grants
- Internships and research opportunities – require 8-week commitment & previous agreement with partner schools in the US
- Rich academic and social experience provided by the SiPN team

**See the complete list of  
Summer Course offerings here:**







# **SiPN Customized**



## Research and Internship Opportunities

Offer students a high-impact global work experience with an internship or research project that meets your requirements.

## Faculty-led programs

Students and faculty can take advantage of SiPN's network of connections, support, logistics, and academics in Portugal.

## Custom semester programs

Develop a signature custom program for your department or institution that can be integrated into the student's curricula.

## Hybrid programs

A faculty-led integration through SiPN's regular summer editions. Ask us about all the advantages.



Partner with Portugal's leader in study abroad to design a program around your curriculum, budget, and schedule.

Since its inception, SiPN has organized more than 80 customized programs in various forms and shapes. Be they pure faculty-led or hybrid programs with a strong emphasis on experiential learning or more research-oriented opportunities, SiPN has a unique network in Portugal that spans governmental, business, and civil society sectors, all of which can be employed to deliver the kind of program our partners envision.





# all in(clusive) experience

# An all in(clusive) experience

- Centrally located international student residence
- Transportation pass for Lisbon metropolitan area
- Program Orientation
- SiPN Field Trips
- Welcome & Farewell Events
- Mid-semester/session activities
- Group pick-up at the airport on arrival day
- Travel and health insurance
- 2M Extra civil liability insurance
- Intercultural Competency Group sessions (ICG)
- 24/7 On-call support for emergencies

## Immersive

SiPN programming goes “**off-the-beaten track**” and introduces students to aspects of Portugal and Portuguese culture that they would not have exposure to otherwise.

## Intentional

From group dinners to field trips, all aspects of SiPN programming are created with th **intention** of having **students engage meaningfully** with Portuguese language, people, & culture.

## Innovative

Aside from the **diverse perspectives** and attitudes that each cohort of students bring to the program, we at SiPN are consistently finding **new ways to experience Portugal**.











## Student Residence

SiPN students are typically housed in single studio rooms in international student residences in the heart of Lisbon. Students will enjoy:

- Central location and privileged access to public transportation
- Rooms fully furnished – each student will have access to a studio room: small kitchen + room + bathroom
- Common areas: cinema Room, study room, gym; yoga studio, kitchen, and living room.
- Broadband & Wi-Fi;
- Cleaning services included;
- Kitchen utensils;
- On-site laundry services;
- A multicultural living environment





## Intercultural Competency Group sessions - ICG

Studying abroad is undoubtedly an enriching experience for students who have the opportunity to participate in a study abroad program. However, students may still encounter diverse challenges engaging with a different culture as they transition into living and studying abroad.

The overarching goal of **SiPN's Intercultural Competency Groups** is to use an intercultural, culturally competent framework to **foster social and emotional learning, raise intercultural awareness, and encourage authentic and intentional engagement with the Portuguese language, culture, and people.**



# Scholarships



**Benjamin A. Gilman**  
International Scholarship



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PORTUGAL  
NETWORK



## Gilman-FLAD Portugal Scholarship



The Gilman Program, known for supporting exceptional students pursuing study or internships abroad, has an established partnership with FLAD\*. **The Gilman-FLAD Scholarship is specifically aimed at empowering students interested in studying or interning in Portugal**, aiming to provide valuable opportunities for young scholars, with financial, need to explore and experience Portugal.

\*FLAD is one of 7 worldwide partners of the Gilman Program

### Award Amount

- Successful applications will receive a study grant of **\$5,000**.
- Applicants who are studying Portuguese while abroad can apply for The Critical Need Language Award and get a supplemental award of up to **\$3,000** for a combined total of **\$8,000**.

## SiPN/FLAD Partial Scholarships



FLAD, the organization behind SiPN, has pledged to reinvest positive revenues generated by the program to offer additional merit-based student scholarships. Scholarship awards can go up to \$ 1,500 for semester and summer students.

## Fullbright Grants for SiPN Alums



SiPN alumni receive priority access to FLAD Fulbright grants to Portugal.

Currently, FLAD co-funds one of the Fulbright–FLAD Study/Research Grants, which offers 8-month student grants to Portugal. These grants are available to U.S. citizens with a minimum of a Bachelor’s degree, pursuing a Master’s degree or conducting PhD-level research. So far, 10 SiPN alums have returned to Portugal on different Fulbright awards.

## Spotlight

### Colleen a SiPN Alum and Fulbright Scholar

**Colleen Beatriz**

**SiPN Program & Year:** Fall 2018

**University when attending SiPN:** UMass Amherst

**Major/Area of Interest:** Epidemiology

**Fulbright/FLAD Research Grantee - Researching workplace experiences of LGBTQ+ workers in Portugal**



#### 1. Why did you choose to study abroad with SiPN?

My dad lived in Portugal until he was 25 and I always felt a strong connection to Portuguese culture, but it always felt a bit second-hand, since I had never actually lived there myself. For me, SiPN was a great way to immerse myself in the culture I so badly wanted to connect to, while also improving my language skills, continuing my education, and learning about the world from a whole new viewpoint.

#### 2. What is your most memorable SiPN experience? Why?

It’s not one particular moment, but I’ll always remember how kind and welcoming people were to me in Portugal. No matter how many mistakes I made with the language or how lost I was, people were always patient with me and so willing to help. That’s something I’ll always be thankful for.



### **3. What insight or lesson (if any) do you still carry with you from your experience with SiPN?**

My time with SiPN helped me to learn the importance of seeing the world through different lenses. Through my coursework and simply talking to people, I was exposed to so many new viewpoints, which I still carry with me whenever I'm learning something new.

### **4. What work are you currently undertaking on your Fulbright grant?**

Currently, I'm doing mixed-methods research on the workplace experiences of LGBTQ+ individuals in Portugal. My research aims to describe workplace satisfaction, experiences of coming out at work, and experienced support and discrimination in the workplace, using both quantitative and qualitative measures.

### **5. Did SiPN influence your decision to apply to Fulbright? If so, how?**

Definitely! I fell in love with Portugal during my semester with SiPN and knew that I wanted to come back for a longer period of time, but I wasn't sure how I would do that. When I learned about FLAD's connection with Fulbright, that sounded like the perfect opportunity for me and told myself that I would apply to come back after I finished my master's degree.

### **6. Do you hope to stay connected to Portugal once your Fulbright grant ends? If so, how?**

I absolutely want to stay connected to Portugal (and come back to Lisbon!) after my Fulbright grant ends. I'm still trying to figure out exactly what that will look like, but I know that, at least in the immediate future, my experiences in Portugal will help me to connect to the Luso-American population that I'm sure to be working with when I return to Massachusetts.

### **7. Anything else you would like to share?**

Nothing too insightful, but I feel really thankful for my time with SiPN and would encourage anyone who is considering it to apply!





# Application Deadlines

Spring edition: Oct 15

Summer edition: March 15

Fall edition: March 30

# How to apply to SiPN programs

1

**submit your pre-application at [studyinginportugalnetwork/apply-now/](https://studyinginportugalnetwork.com/apply-now/)**

SiPN Staff will review your pre-application and get back to you with the next steps of your application

2

**Submit your program deposit (\$200 summer programs or \$350 semester programs)**

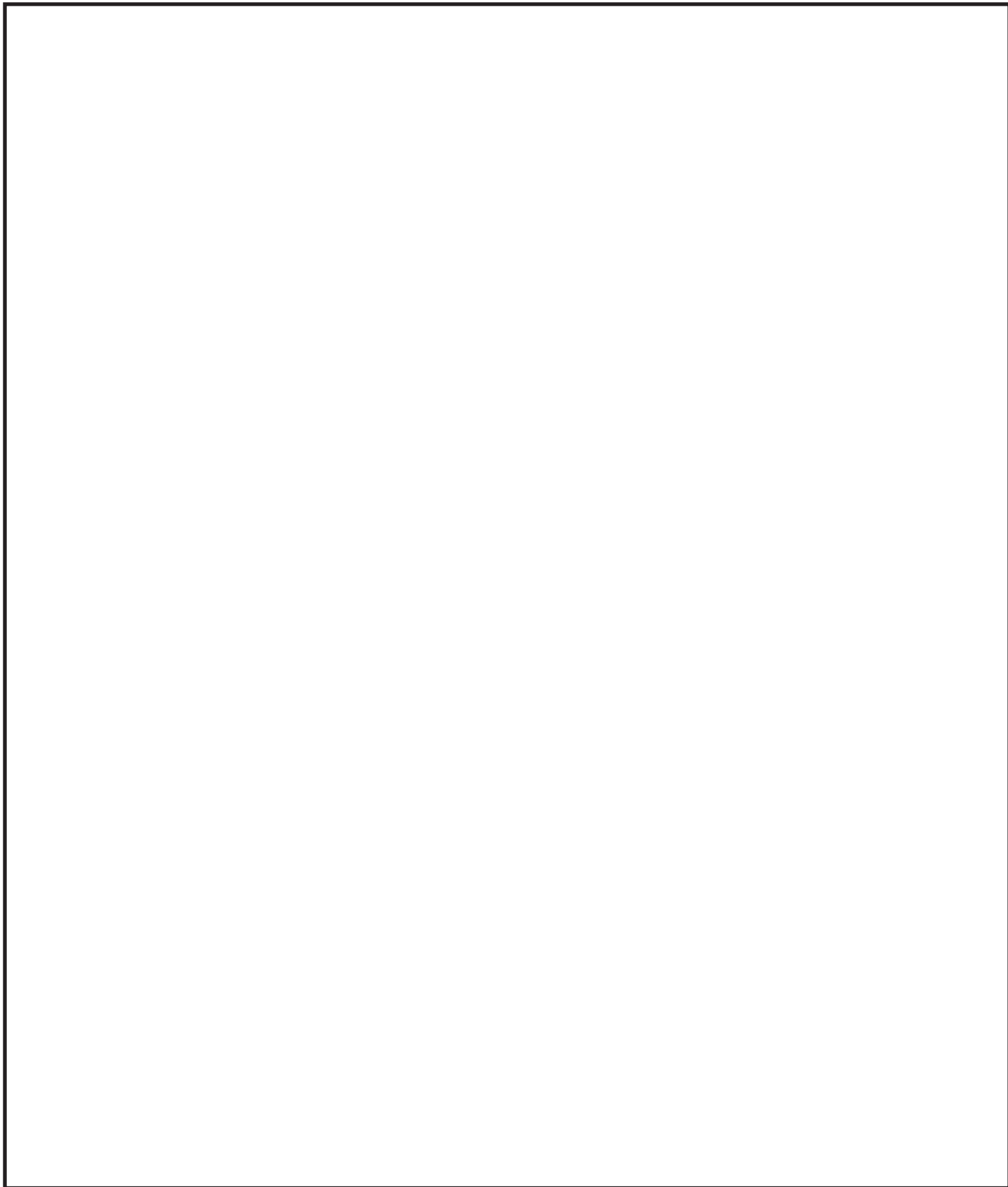
**Complete your application packet and submit the required documentation & start your VISA Process**

SiPN Staff will process your application materials

3

**Acceptance!!** - Formal letter will be sent along with the program's invoice.





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