

Dear Professor Wang,

Thank you so much for your generosity enabling me to undertake my study abroad this summer. Before I even started as a student at Stamps, as soon as I learned about the study abroad program, I knew that I wanted to visit Budapest, the country where my mother was born and lived until I was born when she was 19. Practically right away, I set to figuring out how I could organize an independent study abroad, working with advisors to figure out how long I could spend there, how to get funding, and most importantly, the shape that my project would take. Ultimately, it grew into a longform graphic narrative about my mother: her upbringing, her experiences in Hungary and her relationship to the country, her relationship with my father as a teenager and their life together living in Detroit after my sister and I were born. I've already begun some preliminary work, and I am so thrilled that it's really happening and I will be spending half the summer interviewing family and getting to know the areas my mother spent her childhood and teenage years. Even after getting my proposal approved, I knew it wouldn't be possible to make it all work without significant financial assistance, so I am inexpressibly grateful that your gift is making this project possible for me. Thank you so, so much!

Best wishes,

Miles Honey

University of Michigan Stamps BFA 2020

[amyfieldmouse.com](http://amyfieldmouse.com)