

Dear Sir or Madam,

My name is Daniel Szczepański. I was born 22 years ago in Warsaw, Poland, and I am a trumpeter. I come from a musical family and thanks to it. I am proud to announce that I have been enrolled in one of the most prestigious schools in the world. Berklee College of Music in Boston. Jazz music has fascinated me ever since I first heard it, and I am delighted to have found myself among the small group of those who have admitted to such an excellent school.

Boston is one of the cradles of jazz and has seen the formation of new genres and the most famous jazz clubs. The largest number of jazz giants and innovators have walked the streets of this city. Berklee has a long history and tradition, which I would like to continue. I have worked for this success ever since I have been in contact with music. This would not have been possible without support from my family and from those who believed in me, educated me and gave me unique advice on how to approach studying abroad.

I have always been brought up to put culture (and above all music) first, while the United States is known as the most suitable place to study in the world.

Studying there has become my greatest dream and I have never wanted to abandon it. I still cannot believe that all of this has happened! Unfortunately, the studies are very expensive and cost as much as ~\$40,000 per year for studying alone, to say nothing of ~\$25,000 for accommodation, insurance, food, etc. I have received a scholarship of 50% (\$20,000) for education from Berklee.

I very much need the funds to realize my greatest dream, to promote culture and to contribute to the development of music and innovation as much as possible.

I am writing to ask you for financial support. My family and I cannot afford to pay such an enormous sum (and this is only the first year of studies). The only hope for me to accomplish this difficult but beneficial plan is to obtain financial aid from you. If you consider this possible I would like to present to answer all the questions and make myself credible. I kindly ask you to support me and my dreams.

Yours sincerely,

Daniel Szczepański

Daniel Szczepański