WHY STUDY ABROAD?

- **EARN MEANINGFUL CREDIT** Earn major or minor credit, or learn about a new subject area of interest and earn elective credit that will keep you on track for graduation.

- **WIDE PROGRAM AVAILABILITY & FLEXIBILITY** With over 500 programs in 75 countries there are options for every student. Programs run anywhere from 10 days to a full year, so they work with the availability of UW students.

- **IT'S AFFORDABLE** Don't let cost stand in the way of studying abroad. Most forms of financial aid travel with you and additional scholarships are available.

- **LAUNCH YOUR FUTURE** In our increasingly globalized world, study abroad gives you skills and perspective to enhance your graduate school and career opportunities.

- **TRAVEL & EXPLORE - THE TIME IS NOW!** Expand your understanding of the world and yourself. You will become more self-reliant and resourceful, make new friends, learn about your heritage or gain new perspectives on your identity, and delve into the local culture. What are you waiting for?

WHERE DO I START?

1. **YOU CAN APPLY TO STUDY ABROAD BEFORE YOU TRANSFER TO THE UW** Learn about programs and the student experience on our website. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to learn about info sessions and events.

2. **ALL PROGRAMS EARN UW CREDIT** The program you choose will depend on factors like language ability, finances, and program length.

3. **HOW LONG? 10 DAYS TO A YEAR!** Use our website to search for programs and meet with our advising staff for advice on the program that is the best fit for you.

4. **CHAT WITH ADVISERS** In-person or online via our website.

5. **ONLINE WORKSHOPS** Study Abroad 101 and Financial Planning

6. **BE AWARE OF DEADLINES** Each program has a priority deadline - don't miss it!

ADVISING RESOURCES

Getting started with study abroad can be overwhelming but we are here to help! Refer to our website for more details on applying to study abroad and visit our office for

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SUPPORTING DIVERSITY

Our website has resources on navigating your gender, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, nationality and disability in an international context. Contact our office for additional support.
WHICH PROGRAM IS RIGHT FOR ME?

There are many things to consider when choosing a program. Here are fellow students to tell you why their program was the best fit.

**UW EXCHANGE**

“An exchange was the best fit for me because it combined an independent, challenging experience in an original, medieval city for the perfect length of time: one semester. These 5 months allowed me to feel like I was a resident of the city, get to know the center, and travel extensively around Poland and other neighboring countries. It was an unforgettable experience.”

Ben, History major - Poland

“I went on a departmental exchange program through the Foster School and it was the best fit for me because I wanted to be able to earn upper division business credits while I was away. I also needed a program that had classes in English. The exchange really gave me the opportunity to immerse myself in a different culture and be independent.”

Cassey, Information Systems major - Norway

**UW FACULTY-LED**

“My favorite part about studying abroad was definitely going outside of my comfort zone. I’d never left North America before going to UW, so studying abroad was a scary thought for me at first, but it was so rewarding in so many ways. This program was perfect for me because it gave me exposure to a new country without having to be completely on my own because I was with a group of UW students that had also never been to Japan. Going on this study abroad was what motivated me to go back for an intensive language program later by myself because I felt more comfortable being in a new country.”

Melissa, International Studies major - Japan

“This program allowed me to dive deep into India for an intense month and experience the culture, colors, and energy of this vibrant country. This well-structured experience included meetings with business professionals, local women, and community service projects, as well as time to see the cultural and tourist attractions of the nine cities in which we traveled.”

Paige, International Business major - India

**UW PARTNERS**

“For my program, I enrolled in marine ecology courses and learned concepts and research techniques hands-on, in the field. I stayed with host families in both Quito and the Galápagos, who spoke mostly Spanish, which was a fantastic experience. Experiencing something so far out of my comfort zone is what allowed me to grow as an individual and gain a unique perspective that I will retain for the rest of my life.”

Madison, Bioengineering major - Ecuador

**INTERNERSHIP**

“After participating in a rigorous, academically-focused program in Rome, I decided to gain more practical, international experience by becoming an intern. I was placed at the Cape Town Refugee Center and worked as an intern for three months. This immersive experience provided me with professional skills, exposure to my intended career path, and an understanding of cross-cultural challenges.”

Tressa, English major - South Africa

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