STUDY ABROAD
TULANE UNIVERSITY

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PRESENTATION OBJECTIVES

- Discuss the advantages of incorporating a study abroad experience into undergraduate education
- Explain the timeline for preparing to study abroad
- Give guidance on planning and program selection
- Identify the available resources for Tulane undergraduates who are interested in studying abroad
- Answer parent questions
WHY STUDY ABROAD

- The world our students live in is now global. To contribute as citizens and leaders, to succeed in their careers, and to pursue happiness in a global civilization, students must build knowledge, skills, and attitudes that permit them to think, act, operate, and imagine communities that transcend borders.

- Studying abroad offers academic and experiential engagement with the global community. Students who study abroad learn to see their county and themselves from a different point of view, and to learn how their counterparts around the world ask questions and articulate visions for the future.

- As important as knowing why we want students to study abroad, however, is that students know why they are doing it. Students with a clear answer to the question of why they are studying abroad, and with clear goals for the experience, are likely to get more out of it.

- When students return from study abroad, they are likely to be asked to give an account of why they made their study abroad choice, so it’s good for them to get in the habit of thinking in terms of “why” and not just where, how, and when.
WHEN TO STUDY ABROAD: TIMELINE

- Most students study abroad during Junior year, with few exceptions
- Students may study abroad for a semester, an academic year or a summer term
- Applications are completed online and are due in early February for the following fall or academic year and in early September for the following spring
- Students begin planning as early as freshman year by researching options and taking pre-requisite courses (for example, language, area studies, major courses)
- Advising Resources are available to students as early as they are ready
FINANCIAL AID, HOUSING, INSURANCE

- Students remain fully-enrolled at Tulane while studying abroad on an approved program, and pay tuition just as they would if they were studying in New Orleans. All financial aid (with the exception of housing scholarships) is still available to students studying for a semester or year abroad, so the tuition cost for studying abroad should be exactly the same as tuition for a semester on campus.

- Students are not billed by Tulane for housing abroad. Housing fees are paid directly to the study abroad provider. Depending on location, housing for a semester abroad can cost more or less than a semester in New Orleans.

- Students studying abroad are required to have adequate health coverage both in the United States and abroad. Adequate coverage in the U.S. is certified through Tulane’s annual on-line waiver process through the Student Health Center. Coverage abroad is certified through an on-line form students complete once they have been approved to study abroad.
WHERE TO STUDY ABROAD
Tulane-approved programs are available in most world regions.
HOW TO STUDY ABROAD

Program Models

- **Direct Enrollment Programs**

  Students directly enroll in a university abroad, in countries such as Australia, the United Kingdom, Singapore, Ecuador, Mexico.

- **Third Party Programs**

  A study abroad partner, such as CIEE, CET, IES, SIT or IFSA-Butler offers courses abroad to American students, assists in direct enrollment at a local university, if possible, and offers cultural programming and support services.

- **Tulane Faculty-Led Programs**

  Tulane summer programs abroad led by Tulane faculty in such locations as Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Guatemala, Ireland, Israel, France, Nepal & Italy.
HOW TO STUDY ABROAD

When helping students to select a program, we encourage them to:

- Consider major requirements to identify programs with compatible courses
- Think about language immersion programs to gain fluency in a foreign language
- Consider the different program models in conjunction with their learning style and goals
- Think ahead about professional networks and career development and goals
HOW TO STUDY ABROAD

Business School study abroad or Liberal Arts and STEM study abroad?

- Business School students may study abroad through the Goldring Institute of International Business in order to receive Business credit.

- Business School students may study abroad through the Office of Study Abroad to earn core curriculum or elective credit to contribute to the completion of their degree.
PREPARATION TO STUDY ABROAD
BEFORE DEPARTURE

- Language Readiness
- Recommended Area Studies Courses
- General and Region- or Program-Specific Pre-Departure Orientations
- Optional pre-departure course taught by the Associate Director of Intercultural Learning, COLQ-3050: Preparing to Study Abroad
- Meet with Academic Advisor to ensure fulfillment of core curriculum
- Maintenance of a cumulative GPA of 3.0
- Consult with major or minor faculty about coursework to be undertaken abroad
STUDY ABROAD RESOURCES

- Online materials:
  - **Office of Study Abroad**: [http://studyabroad.tulane.edu](http://studyabroad.tulane.edu)
  - **Freeman School of Business International Programs**: [http://goldringinstitute.com/programs_exchange.html](http://goldringinstitute.com/programs_exchange.html)
  - **Stone Center Summer Programs**: [http://stonecenter.Tulane.edu/pages/detail/104/Summer-Abroad-Programs](http://stonecenter.Tulane.edu/pages/detail/104/Summer-Abroad-Programs)
- Academic Advising Center
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QUESTIONS?

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