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- 2. To ask a question or comment, use the chat feature! We'll be monitoring and responding to questions near the end.**



Study Abroad

*Where will
Purdue
take you?*

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How to Pick a Study Abroad Program



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Why is it important to choose your program with care?

- You will make sufficient progress in your degree program
- Program meets your academic, professional and personal goals
- Program considers your personal constraints: cost, time, degree progress, lack of overseas experience, and others
- You will be getting the study abroad experience you want



What are the most basic considerations?

Whatever program you choose, you must satisfy the following eligibility requirements:

- Minimum GPA required*
- Language requirement
- Semesters completed (or class standing based on credits earned)
- Major area of study

**If you don't quite meet the GPA requirement, consult a study abroad advisor. Some programs are willing to consider students who have a less than stellar GPA if they're otherwise strong candidates.*

Check the “Eligibility” section of the web flyer

Example: ETH (Switzerland)

Eligibility

Students participating in this program take graduate-level courses. It is suitable for Purdue Engineering and Science majors who have completed at least five semesters of university study by the start of the program. Successful candidates will demonstrate academic success, maturity and a desire to experience another culture.

GPA Requirement: 3.5 on a 4.0 scale

Language Requirement: none



The promenade at Lake Zurich.

Purdue Credit

Direct Credit available from the following: [College of Agriculture][College of Engineering][College of Science]

Students interested in completing courses while abroad from Purdue colleges or departments that are not listed above should discuss this with their study abroad advisor before applying to the program.

Beyond satisfying the basic eligibility requirements of a program, taking some factors into account can help narrow options in order to find the program that is right for you!





What are your goals for studying abroad?



- There is much more to studying abroad than just taking classes in a foreign country.
- The benefits of study abroad are endless, but it is important to consider your own reasons for choosing to study abroad.
- The program you choose should meet your objectives for why you want to study abroad.



What courses do you want / need to take?

- Classes you take abroad could fulfill degree requirements (major, minor, electives and general education)
- How important is it for you to be able to take courses that are suitable replacements of your Purdue major requirements?
- Perhaps you would prefer to take non-major courses instead?
- Consider the courses that a program is offering - are they the courses that you need?



--- continued Courses

- If you want or need to take major courses, make sure a program is approved for direct credits (credits and letter grades) by the pertinent Purdue college.

Example: University of Bath

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Specifically from: PSYC (HHS)

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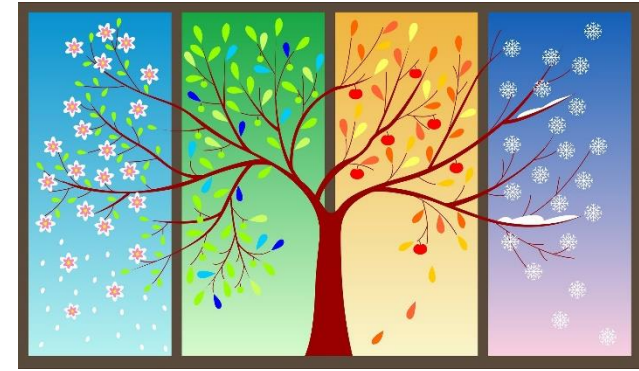
Where do you want to study abroad?

The country you select determines the cultural environment and the main language of communication.

- You may want to experience of living in a big city or perhaps you'd prefer to take the roads less traveled
- Perhaps you've always been interested in ____ language and culture?
- Perhaps your family is originally from _____?
- Perhaps you want to study at a more prestigious university?
- Perhaps your family will allow you to study abroad but only at ____.

When do you want to study abroad / How long do you want to be overseas?

- Some programs are academic year only
- Some are available in both semesters
- Some are spring semester only
- Some are summer only
- Some departmental programs can be as short as one to two weeks





What kind of academic and social environment do you prefer?

- Do you want a full immersive experience?
- Would you feel more comfortable taking classes with students from the United States? With other Purdue students?

Immersion	Hybrid	Island
Exchanges	Co-sponsored	Most departmental
Direct-enroll	Some departmental	

What are your financial considerations?



- Pay Purdue tuition (exchange programs) versus paying a comprehensive program fee (co-sponsored or direct-enroll programs)
 - In-state versus out-of-state students
- Scholarships that apply to specific type of study abroad program
- Cost of living expenses at a program's location

What are the program's housing options?



- Are accommodations part of the program?
- Do you have to find your own place?
- Do you want to live with a host family?



What are the program's term dates?

- When does the program start?
- When does the program end? (Important especially for spring semester programs.)*
- Does the program have a special fall semester arrangements for exchange students?

*Some spring semester programs end in mid- to late-June, a few even later (Germany, Japan, Switzerland, Australia, and others). These are not good options if you have a summer internship.

How do you narrow your options?



- Decide on the non-negotiable, the nice-but not-necessary, and the meh-don't-care features of your ideal study abroad program.
- Explore SA programs
- Consult a study abroad advisor to assess the programs on your short list.
- Discuss study abroad plan with your academic advisor.
- Talk to other students who've studied abroad.
- Consult your support system.



What To Do Now: List the program features that matter

- **Non-negotiable:** features that must be present or conditions that must be met for you to be able to study abroad
- **Nice-but-not-necessary:** often serve as tie-breakers or clinchers if deciding between programs of equal weight
- **Meh-don't-care:** program features or conditions that have little effect, if any, on your decision

What To Do Now: Explore Programs

Use the “Program Search” feature on the Study Abroad website


PROGRAM SEARCH

Study Abroad advisors are available by appointment.

Call **765-494-2383** to arrange a meeting and learn more about what best fits your plan of study.

Browse through the [full list of programs](#), see [internship options](#), [service learning options](#) or use the program search.

Be aware, selecting more options will result in fewer programs matches.

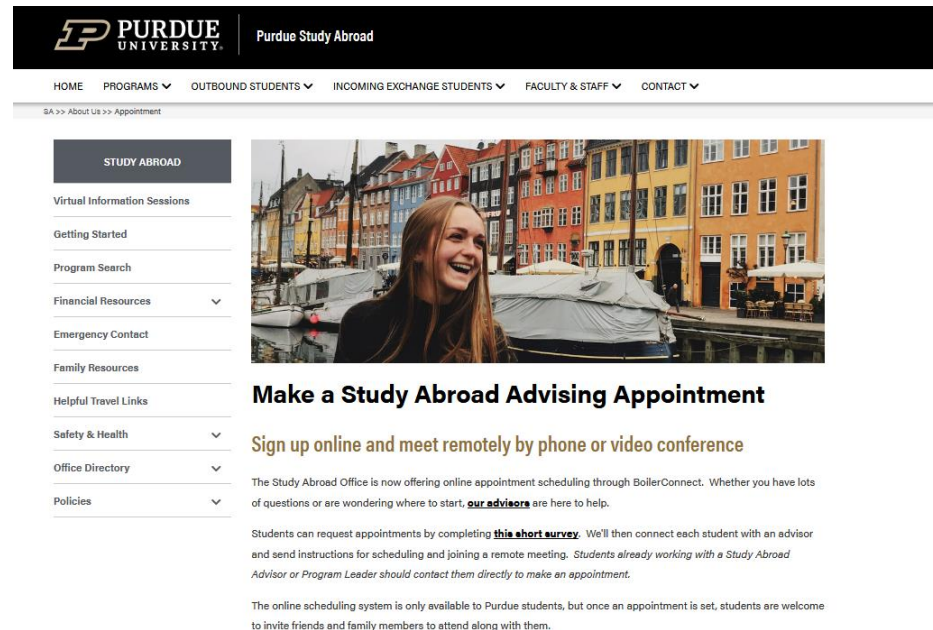
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What To Do Now: Consult a Study Abroad Advisor

- To make a virtual appointment:
<https://www.purdue.edu/IPPU/SA/About/Appointment.html>

- Email a study abroad advisor directly



The screenshot displays the Purdue Study Abroad website. At the top, the Purdue University logo and "Purdue Study Abroad" are visible. A navigation bar includes links for HOME, PROGRAMS, OUTBOUND STUDENTS, INCOMING EXCHANGE STUDENTS, FACULTY & STAFF, and CONTACT. Below this, a breadcrumb trail reads "SA >> About Us >> Appointment". The left sidebar, titled "STUDY ABROAD", lists various resources: Virtual Information Sessions, Getting Started, Program Search, Financial Resources, Emergency Contact, Family Resources, Helpful Travel Links, Safety & Health, Office Directory, and Policies. The main content area features a photograph of a smiling woman in front of a European-style building. Below the photo, the heading "Make a Study Abroad Advising Appointment" is followed by the text "Sign up online and meet remotely by phone or video conference". The text explains that the Study Abroad Office offers online appointment scheduling through BoilerConnect and that students can request appointments by completing a short survey. It also notes that the online system is only available to Purdue students.

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STUDY ABROAD

- Virtual Information Sessions
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- Helpful Travel Links
- Safety & Health
- Office Directory
- Policies

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Students can request appointments by completing **this short survey**. We'll then connect each student with an advisor and send instructions for scheduling and joining a remote meeting. *Students already working with a Study Abroad Advisor or Program Leader should contact them directly to make an appointment.*

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Student A: Sophomore, Spanish major, Indiana resident, has completed SPAN 301

Program Features	Student Notes	Study Abroad Advisor Notes
Study Abroad Goal	To become fluent in Spanish	Potential Programs:
Non-negotiable	1. Immersive 2. Cost 3. Courses in Spanish for my major	1. WIP Program 2. UMN-Toledo 3. UC3M 4. CIEE-Seville Liberal Arts 5. IFSA-Adv Lang and Culture Buenos Aires 6. IFSA-Chilean Universities Program (Santiago or Valparaiso)
Nice but not necessary	Spain preferred Homestay	
Meh - not a factor	Either semester is fine	7. Tec de Monterrey



Student B: 2nd semester Junior, IE major, nonresident, citizen of China,
summer internship starting in early-June

Program Features	Student Notes	Study Abroad Advisor Notes
Study Abroad Goal	To study ENGR at an overseas university	Potential ENGR-Approved Programs
Non-negotiable	1. Must take at least two 300-level IE courses 2. Courses taught in English 3. Spring semester but end in early- to mid-May	1. Exch and Co-sponsored in Australia or New Zealand 2. NTU or NUS 3. HK Polytechnic or HKUST 4. Shanghai Jiao Tong 5. KTH 6. UPV 7. Politecnico di Milano 8. Universidad EAFIT Colombia
Nice but not necessary	Immersive experience	
Meh - not a factor	Cost	



Student C: Sophomore, Indiana resident, Biology major

Program Features	Student Notes	Study Abroad Advisor Notes
Study Abroad Goal	To experience living in New Zealand for a whole year!	<p>Potential Programs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. University of Canterbury2. Victoria University of Wellington3. IES-Christchurch: U of Canterbury4. IES-Auckland: U of Auckland
Non-negotiable	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Program must be in New Zealand2. Academic year program3. Immersive4. 21st century scholarship recipient	
Nice but not necessary	Rooming with a local student in the residence hall	
Meh - not a factor	Courses – very flexible	

What To Do Now: Discuss study abroad plans with your academic advisor

- Optimum time to study abroad
- Courses you can take
- Department's preferred programs
- Reconfigure Plan of Study



What To Do Now: Talk to Returned Students

Talk to returned students about their experience: what they liked about their program, challenges, what they know now that they wish they had known then.

Returnees Information

Click below to search for Purdue students who have participated in this program and are willing to be contacted. If you get no results, you can use the search form to find people who studied in the country you are interested in.

Search For Returnees Now!



Serie A team AC Milan plays here!

What To Do Now: Hear from Other Students

Listen on-demand to interviews with past students – hear about their experiences and what advice they have for you. Look for the button below on our website!



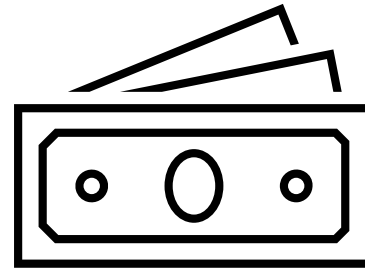
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How to Afford Study Abroad

Tuesday, April 13th @ 3pm



What are your questions?

