STUDY ABROAD
Study abroad is one of the most rewarding and life-changing additions you can make to your undergraduate education. This brochure contains useful information, including answers to common questions, common misconceptions about study abroad, and the places to go for all the answers to your questions.
Argentina: Buenos Aires
Australia: Canberra, Perth, Sydney
Austria: Vienna
Belgium: Brussels
Botswana: Gaborone
Brazil: Rio de Janeiro
Chile: Santiago
China: Beijing, Hong Kong, Kunming, Macau, Nanjing, Shanghai
Costa Rica: San Jose
Czech Republic: Prague
Denmark: Copenhagen
Ecuador: Galapagos, Quito
Egypt: Cairo
France: Nantes, Paris, Nice
Germany: Berlin, Bonn, Cologne, Freiburg
Ghana: Legon
Greece: Athens
Hungary: Budapest
India: Delhi
Ireland: Dublin
Israel: Beer-Sheva, Haifa, Jerusalem
Italy: Arezzo, Milan, Rome, Siena
Japan: Nagoya, Tokyo
Jordan: Amman
Morocco: Rabat
Netherlands: Amsterdam
New Zealand: Auckland, Christchurch
Peru: Lima
Poland: Krakow, Warsaw
Russia: St. Petersburg
Senegal: Dakar
Singapore
South Africa: Cape Town
Spain: Barcelona, Granada, Madrid, Salamanca
Sweden: Uppsala
Taiwan: Taipei
Thailand: Khon Kaen
Turkey: Istanbul
United Arab Emirates: Sharjah

UR Sponsored and Affiliated Study Abroad Programs

UR Summer and Short-Term Programs

Archeology in Bermuda: Smith’s Island
Archeology in Italy: Torano di Borgorose
Competence and Motivation in Developing Countries: Borgne, Haiti
Creative Expression Through Choreography: Corfu, Greece
Energy, Sustainability and Society: York
French in France: Rennes
French Sign Language in France: Paris
German in Germany: Berlin
Internships in Europe: Bonn, Brussels, Edinburgh, London
Italian Language and Arts in Italy: Arezzo
Latin Epigraphy in Italy: Rome
London Theatre Seminar
Malawi Immersion Seminar
Mountain Health Field School in Italy: Borca di Cadore
Mountain Health Field School in India: Ladakh
Polish Studies: Krakow
Russian in Russia: St. Petersburg
Spanish in Ecuador or Spain: Quito or Granada
THE CENTER FOR STUDY ABROAD
Counselors in the Center for Study Abroad and Interdepartmental Programs meet with students to incorporate international education opportunities into their programs. Contact them at any time. It is never too early to begin planning.

APPLICATION MATERIALS
All UR program applications are online. For information about applying to other (non-UR-sponsored) programs, consult with a Study Abroad counselor.

COSTS & FINANCIAL AID
Students on UR-sponsored programs are charged UR tuition and housing fees. Students on non-UR programs are charged an administrative Study Abroad Fee by UR, and pay tuition and fees directly to the non-UR program.

University-administered financial aid is applied toward the cost of UR-sponsored semester or academic year programs. While UR aid is not transferable to non-UR programs, students can use federal grants and loans. Check with the Financial Aid Office to find out how your aid will be affected; there are many special scholarships for study abroad.

GRADES
Upon successful completion of a UR-sponsored program, you will receive credit and your grades will appear on your UR transcript.
If you participate in a non-UR-sponsored program, the grades will not appear on your Rochester transcript, but you will earn full credit for approved coursework. For details, meet with a Study Abroad counselor.

**CHOOSING A NON-ROCHESTER PROGRAM**
If your GPA doesn’t meet UR program requirements, or if you would like to study in a location where we don’t have a program, we will advise you on non-UR programs that meet your needs and interests.

**PEER ADVISORS**
Students who have studied abroad are eager to share their experiences with you. They can answer questions about programs, location, budgeting, courses, and more. A list of peer advisors is available at the Center for Study Abroad.

**WHO MAY STUDY ABROAD?**
Selected sophomores, juniors, and first-semester seniors from all majors may study abroad. Generally, a minimum GPA of 2.8 is required, although programs may have specific requirements (e.g. prerequisites).

**DO I NEED TO SPEAK ANOTHER LANGUAGE TO STUDY ABROAD?**
No, many programs do not require proficiency or background in a foreign language.

**THINGS TO CONSIDER**
- Why do I want to study abroad?
- How well do I adjust to new situations?
- What foreign language proficiency, if any, must I have?
- How will study abroad enhance my graduate school and career opportunities?
- How are people of my nationality perceived in my host country?
- Do I want to go for a summer, a semester, or a full year?
WHEN DO I NEED TO APPLY?

The earlier you plan, the easier the application process will be. Get started by visiting the study abroad website.

- If you’re planning to study abroad for a full year or during the fall semester, submit your application by **February 15**.

- If you’re planning to study abroad during the spring semester, submit your application by **September 15**.

Actual program deadlines vary, so check application materials carefully. Normally, due dates for fall/full-year programs are in early March; for spring programs, they’re in October.
“IT’S TOO EXPENSIVE.”
The fact is, for most students, a semester or a year abroad costs about the same as a semester at UR. If you receive UR financial aid, it will transfer to a Rochester-sponsored study abroad program. Advisors in the Financial Aid Office will help you plan. There are many special scholarships for which you may be eligible.

“What if the courses or credits don’t transfer?”
Study abroad counselors will only recommend programs where the courses do transfer. In most cases, courses will transfer toward your major, minor, clusters or certificates as long as you consult a departmental advisor.

“My parents will never go for it; no one in my family has ever studied abroad before.”
That was true for many of us! Give your family the facts. Listen to their questions. Come to an information meeting, learn the details, and share them. Our Parents’ Guide is on our website (in English, Chinese, Korean and Spanish).

“My grades aren’t good enough.”
Are you sure? Meet with a study abroad counselor. They are also academic advisors and can help you choose programs for which you are qualified.
"THERE’S SO MUCH GOING ON AT UR - HOW CAN I LEAVE FOR A WHOLE SEMESTER?"
There’s a lot going on around the world, too. Rochester will still be here when you return. Plus you’ll bring back new perspectives on UR, the United States, your host country, and most importantly, yourself.

"I’M A SCIENCE (OR ENGINEERING) MAJOR, SO THERE’S NO WAY I CAN STUDY ABROAD."
Programs for science and engineering majors are available in English in Australia, Botswana, Denmark, Egypt, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Ireland, Israel, Korea, Morocco, New Zealand, South Africa, Spain, Sweden and the United Kingdom! If you speak Spanish, you can also find what you need in Argentina, Chile, Ecuador, Peru, and Spain. Study abroad counselors work collaboratively with faculty and staff in engineering and science departments to find the courses you need.

"I DON’T SPEAK ANOTHER LANGUAGE."
Study abroad can change that. Or you may choose a program where courses are taught in English.

"I HAVE A LEARNING DISABILITY AND NEED ACCOMMODATIONS, SO I CAN’T GO ABROAD."
Yes, you can. Talk to a Study Abroad counselor and to the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETL) about programs that best meet your interests, your talents, and your needs.

"I’M CONCERNED ABOUT WHAT EMPLOYERS OR GRADUATE SCHOOLS WILL THINK OF STUDY ABROAD."
Students who study abroad highlight it on résumés. Employers and graduate schools look for independent people who can adjust to new situations. Alumni emphasize how interested interviewers are in their international background. The Career and Internship Center also encourages these experiences.

HOW DO I FIND OUT ABOUT PROGRAMS?
• ATTEND a general information meeting
• VISIT the Center for Study Abroad
• READ UR There: A Guide to Study Abroad
• TALK to study abroad peer advisors
• MAKE an appointment with a study abroad counselor
HOW DO I GET STARTED?

To determine the best time and location to study abroad, students are encouraged to meet with advisors in their academic department as well as The Center for Study Abroad and Interdepartmental Programs.
WANT TO LEARN MORE?

The earlier you plan, the easier the application!

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