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a guide to education abroad

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# WELCOME

Education abroad is an integral part of the undergraduate curriculum in the University of Rochester (UR), and about one third of current UR students take coursework abroad. Each student has different reasons for studying abroad. Perhaps you want to challenge yourself academically or develop fluency in another language. Maybe you seek adventure with education abroad programs or a career-enhancing international experience. Whatever your motives, you'll find that your international studies complement your academics and allow you to develop new interests leading to future research or career endeavors.

Education abroad places you in an intensified learning environment in another country. Classroom instruction and research may be enhanced by home-stays, academic internships, field study, or community service. These create a rich context for experiential learning. You will return well-informed about customs and conditions in other countries, and with a better understanding of your own country.

While your international studies will take you far from campus, they will also allow you to become more connected with UR's academic community. We are here to help you make those connections, to work out logistical details, and to share your excitement.

UR has affiliations in the following locations as of October 2017 (subject to change):

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**Austria:** Vienna  
**Belgium:** Brussels  
**Bermuda:** Smith's Island  
**Botswana:** Gaborone  
**Chile:** Santiago  
**China:** Beijing, Nanjing, Shanghai  
**Czech Republic:** Prague  
**Denmark:** Copenhagen, Lyngby  
**Ecuador:** Quito, Galapagos Islands  
**Finland:** Helsinki  
**France:** Nantes, Nice, Paris, Rennes  
**Germany:** Berlin, Bonn, Cologne, Freiburg, Hamburg, Munich  
**Ghana:** Legon  
**Greece:** Athens  
**Guinea:** Dubreka  
**Hong Kong**  
**Hungary:** Budapest  
**India:** Hyderabad  
**Indonesia:** Bandung  
**Ireland:** Dublin  
**Israel:** Beer-Sheva, Haifa, Jerusalem  
**Italy:** Arezzo, Milan, Procida, Rome, Siena

**Japan:** Nagoya, Tokyo  
**Jordan:** Amman  
**Malawi:** Gowa  
**Macau**  
**Malaysia:** Johor Bahru, Kuala Lumpur  
**Mexico:** Monterrey  
**Morocco:** Rabat  
**Netherlands:** Amsterdam, Delft, Enschede  
**New Zealand:** Auckland, Christchurch  
**Peru:** Lima  
**Poland:** Krakow, Warsaw  
**Russia:** St. Petersburg  
**Senegal:** Dakar  
**Singapore**  
**South Africa:** Cape Town  
**South Korea:** Daejeon, Seoul  
**Spain:** Barcelona, Bilbao, Granada, Madrid, Salamanca  
**Sweden:** Lund, Stockholm, Uppsala  
**Taiwan:** Taipei  
**Thailand:** Khon Kaen  
**United Arab Emirates:** Sharjah  
**United Kingdom:** Bath, Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, Edinburgh, Leeds, London, Oxford, Sheffield, York

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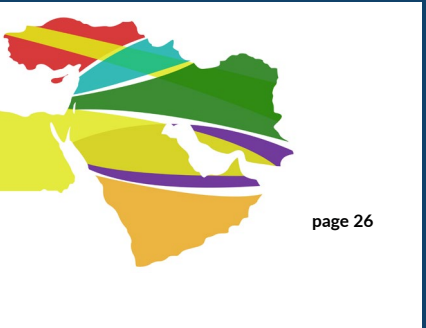
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## ON THE COVER

“Kayaking on Lake Wanaka on a calm evening, producing a mirror effect with the surrounding mountains (Wanaka, New Zealand).”

Julia Herman ‘18 Biomedical Engineering  
IES Auckland



# MYTHS ABOUT EDUCATION ABROAD

## “It’s too expensive.”

A semester abroad costs about the same as a semester at UR. If you receive financial aid it will transfer to UR education abroad programs. There are also other scholarships available, including a \$2,000 grant that you automatically receive if you go on an exchange program. Contact an Education Abroad and/or Financial Aid adviser for more information.

## “My credits probably won’t transfer.”

Education Abroad advisers will only recommend programs where the courses transfer. The majority of students earn credits towards majors and minors by consulting an undergraduate adviser. Make sure to pre-approve courses before going abroad to ensure credit will be received.

## “My family would never let me go abroad.”

That was true for many faculty and students who went abroad, too. Come to an information meeting and meet Education Abroad Peer Advisers, get the facts, and share them. Advisers are always available to talk to parents about their concerns.

## “My grades aren’t good enough.”

An undergraduate adviser can determine if you meet the requirements to participate in education abroad.

## “I don’t speak another language.”

Speaking a foreign language is not a requirement for education abroad. There are many programs taught in English, and you may learn a foreign language by going abroad.

## “There’s so much going on at UR – I can’t leave for a whole semester.”

The UR campus will be waiting and you’ll be able to stay in touch through email and social media. Summer and month long programs are possibilities for students looking for short term education abroad experiences.

## “I’m a science or engineering major so there’s no way I can go abroad.”

Education abroad is possible for all majors. Bring course descriptions and other information to your advisers. We will help you work with them.

## “I have a disability and/or learning disorder, so I can’t go abroad.”

The Center for Excellence in Teaching & Learning counselors and education abroad advisers will work with you to identify courses of study to suit your interests, talents, and academic needs.

## “I’m planning medical school/grad school/law school, so I can’t go abroad.”

Students who have clearly defined interests such as graduate or professional schools can plan with Education Abroad advisers, the Center for Advising Services, and the Career Center. Take Five can allow you to integrate education abroad into your plans.

## “Education abroad won’t help me with employers or graduate schools.”

The Career Center urges students who go abroad to highlight their education abroad on resumes. Employers, graduate schools, and medical schools look for independent people who are flexible and can adjust to new situations. Education abroad alumni can tell you that interviewers always want to know more about their international experience.

# QUESTIONS AT A GLANCE

## Where do I begin?

Attend an Education Abroad General Information meeting, then meet with an Education Abroad Peer Adviser.

## When can I go abroad?

Sophomore, junior, and first semester senior years. Education abroad is not permitted in your final semester. You may study abroad for a maximum of two semesters. You may consider combining your time abroad with the Take Five Scholars Program. Most summer abroad programs accept applications after completion of the freshman year. Inactive, Re-affiliated, and transfer students must complete at least one full-time semester at Rochester prior to going abroad.

## Do I have to speak a foreign language?

No. While there are some programs with language prerequisites, there are programs taught in English as well as programs in English-speaking countries.

## How will going abroad fit into my four years at UR?

Most students who go abroad are juniors, but going abroad may be a good choice for some sophomores or first semester seniors. Planning for education abroad includes declaring your major and course pre-approval. Know your credit hours and academic requirements. The Career Center staff offers advice about how a term abroad fits in with your goals. Education abroad may include other options, such as summer study or the Take Five Scholars Program.

## Can education abroad be part of Take Five?

Yes. Participate in the T5 Blackboard module and consult the T5 program adviser on your proposal. If approved, the semester abroad must be completed prior to the fifth year.

## I’m an international student - can I go abroad?

Yes. Visa and immigration requirements may be different depending on where you choose to go. Start the visa process early as it can be tricky. Please refer to the Education Abroad website for more information.

## Can I meet students who have gone abroad?

Yes. Education Abroad Peer Advisers are students who have already lived abroad and are eager to speak with you.

## What is the education abroad orientation?

In order to go abroad, you are required to participate in the Education Abroad Pre-Departure Orientation. This includes a non-credit Blackboard course and one mandatory group meeting.

## What will it cost?

Your daily out of pocket costs may be considerably higher or lower than a typical semester at UR. Nonetheless, you can expect to spend what you would on a semester at UR. Many scholarships are available to assist with finances. UR exchange programs automatically offer a \$2,000 grant.

## What will my term bill look like?

If you participate in a UR program, you will be billed for standard UR tuition and housing costs and all of your Financial Aid will apply. If you choose a non-UR program, you will be billed for a \$1,596 education abroad fee, and you will pay your program sponsor directly.

## Will my credits transfer back to UR?

Yes, provided that you have obtained approval before you leave UR and earn a “C” or better in each course. For major or departmental credit, see your faculty adviser. For elective credit, consult an education abroad adviser.

## Does UR Code of Conduct apply to students abroad?

Yes. In addition to the UR Code of Conduct, there is a specially designed Code of Conduct for education abroad students. Education abroad is a privilege reserved for those students who have demonstrated exemplary behavior at UR. Students on academic or disciplinary probation may not receive approval to go abroad.

## How will going abroad affect my plans for medical school?

Education abroad provides you with a global perspective that is invaluable for a career in the health professions, and will distinguish you from other medical school applicants. If you want to enter medical school immediately after completing your undergraduate degree, plan to go abroad no later than first semester junior year; this allots time to prepare for the MCATs and to complete applications after you return from abroad. Consult a Health Professions adviser early in your academic career.

## Is it safe to go abroad?

Most education abroad destinations are as safe as UR. Nevertheless, students should practice common sense and practical precautions. At pre-departure and your on-site orientations, you will receive essential information about personal safety. Students are encouraged to visit [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) and program websites for country-specific safety advice. UR reserves the right to withhold or rescind approval for students to go abroad in a country that has been determined to be unsafe.

The safety of students abroad is our highest priority and the Center for Education Abroad has contingency plans in the event of an emergency. Education abroad participants must comply with any decisions made by the Center for Education Abroad to cancel, suspend, relocate, or otherwise amend an education abroad program in the event of an emergency.



# DIVERSITY ABROAD

While abroad, how you view yourself and how others perceive you in regards to race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, religious affiliation and socio-economic status in the U.S. and UR is subject to change. The Center for Education Abroad supports and encourages students of all backgrounds to take advantage of education abroad, including students with disabilities, first-generation college students, LGBTQ students, students of color, students from diverse religious backgrounds, and those with limited financial means. Our office partners with others such as The Office of Minority Student Affairs, the Hajim School, the Financial Aid Office and the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning to support our students during the entire education abroad process.

Here are some questions you might want to consider before going abroad:

- How is my ethnic group portrayed in my host country?
- What kind of stereotypes are there?
- How will my being a member of a minority or majority group in my home country influence my experience abroad?
- If someone does or says something insensitive, do they have bad intentions or are they just curious?
- What are preconceived notions about the people in my host country? Are they valid?
- What can I do to influence the way people of my nationality are perceived in my host country?
- Does my program have support staff to help address any issues I may encounter while abroad?

More resources on diversity abroad are available at: [www.diversityabroad.com](http://www.diversityabroad.com)



"It was honestly life-changing for me and so different from anything else I could have found in the US."

Marissa Erickson



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# TYPES OF PROGRAMS

The chart below provides information about different types of education abroad programs. With the exception of Exchange Programs, each type may be found on UR and non-UR programs. The type of program that’s best for you will depend upon your academic needs and interests. For example, exchange and other direct enrollment options are usually best for STEM students. Island programs are great if you’d like to study in a place where you don’t have proficiency in the host country language.

	DESCRIPTION	EXAMPLE	LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION	DOES UR FINANCIAL AID APPLY?	WHAT & HOW YOU WILL BE CHARGED
EXCHANGE	You are directly enrolled at a university where you will "trade places" for a semester or year with students from that university.	University of York	English and/or other	Yes, + \$2000 exchange grant	Billed by UR Bursar's Office for UR tuition. For exchanges, you will be billed for housing by the host university.
ISLAND	Take courses specially designed for US college students on the program. You will not be in class with host country students.	DIS	Typically in English	Yes	For UR-programs, you will be billed by UR Bursar's Office for UR tuition and standard housing.
DIRECT ENROLLMENT	Take regular courses at a university with host country students.	CIEE Sharjah	English and/or other	For UR programs, yes	For UR-programs, you will be billed by UR Bursar's Office for UR tuition and standard housing.
PROVIDER	May be direct enrollment or island program, or combination of both.	IES Nice Université-Nice Sophia Antipolis	English and/or other	For UR programs, yes	For UR-programs, you will be billed by UR Bursar's Office for UR tuition and standard housing.
COMBINED	Take some courses with other US college participants and some at a local university.	IES Madrid	English and/or other	For UR programs, yes	For UR-programs, you will be billed by UR Bursar's Office for UR tuition and standard housing.
SUMMER-UR*	Participate in a UR-program offered by UR faculty and academic departments in the summer. <small>*Non-UR programs are also available in the summer</small>	Malawi Immersion Program	English and/or other	No	Billed for program fee by UR Bursar's Office.
FACULTY-LED	Participate in a UR-program led by UR faculty. These are typically offered in summer or another short-term.	French in France	English and/or other	No	Billed for program fee by UR Bursar's Office.

# UR VS NON-UR PROGRAMS

## UR Programs

A UR program is one with which UR has a formal affiliation. The programs have been reviewed by the Faculty Committee on Education Abroad and are deemed to be of excellent academic quality. In most cases, these programs have hosted UR students for many years, and the program staff have become familiar with the academic interests, needs, and strengths of UR students. UR offers more than 75 programs during the summer and academic year. All UR-programs are described in this handbook.

### Why students choose UR Programs

- UR programs are carefully selected by faculty to meet the needs of our students. UR faculty and administrators have particular in-depth knowledge of these programs’ curricula through their own research interests or personal experience.
- Grades earned on a UR program will be shown on the UR transcript, although for the most part, they will not be calculated into the grade point average. (Grades earned on non-UR programs will not be shown on the UR transcript, nor will they be calculated into the GPA.)
- UR program applications are managed and coordinated by the Center for Education Abroad. Our office is the primary liaison between students and program sponsors.
- On a UR program, elective transfer credit is automatic (under normal transfer credit policies) upon completion of approved coursework with a C or better (all students need to obtain appropriate faculty permission for overseas coursework to count towards a major, minor, or certificate program).
- Any UR specific financial aid will follow you on your program. Students who participate in UR programs are eligible for additional special scholarships.

## Non-UR Programs

UR students are permitted to go on education abroad programs offered by other U.S. universities or institutions. There are more than 4,500 of these programs world-wide! You should meet with an education abroad adviser before choosing a program.

The Institute of International Education publishes complete guides to all programs sponsored by American colleges and universities. Visit [www.iie.org](http://www.iie.org).

### Why students choose Non-UR Programs

- Although the minimum overall GPA for applying to UR programs is 2.75, many programs have more stringent requirements. Students may find that they have more flexibility with non-UR programs.
- For some students, particularly those who do not receive any merit or need-based scholarships from UR, the overall cost of the program may be lower.
- No college or university can offer a program in every country. Allowing students to choose from the more than 4,500 options available opens every possibility.
- You may be interested in studying a language or topic not currently offered on a UR program.
- Some non-UR programs offer unique opportunities such as multi-country itineraries (e.g. Semester at Sea) or rigorous, field-based research (e.g. SIT Abroad).
- You may wish to study directly at an institution with which UR does not currently have an affiliation.



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# CHECKLIST

## How to begin

- ☐ Attend a General Information Meeting
- ☐ Browse locations and programs
- ☐ Meet with a Peer Adviser to discuss programs you are interested in
- ☐ Schedule an appointment with an Education Abroad advisor
- ☐ Engineering students: meet with Rohan Palma, [rohan.palma@rochester.edu](mailto:rohan.palma@rochester.edu)
- ☐ International students: meet with an adviser in the International Services Office, (585) 275-2866
- ☐ Eastman students: visit the Office of the Dean of Academic Affairs at ESM, (585) 274-1020
- ☐ Apply for or renew your passport: [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov)

## The application process

- ☐ Create an application through the Education Abroad Portal and apply to your program(s) of interest
- ☐ Apply to your program(s) of interest through their external application sites, if applicable (separate from the Education Abroad Portal)
- ☐ Meet with your faculty advisers to discuss and complete a course pre-approval form
- ☐ Meet with an Education Abroad adviser to estimate costs for the program you are applying to
- ☐ Schedule an appointment with your financial aid counselor to understand how your current financial aid will apply to your program and how potential outside scholarships will affect your financial aid package
- ☐ Research visa requirements for the country you plan to travel to and apply for a visa
- ☐ Attend a pre-departure orientation and a non-credit Blackboard orientation course


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# PROGRAMS IN EUROPE

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**Please note:** most programs are taught in English and are available fall, spring, and full academic year, unless otherwise noted. Please visit the Education Abroad Portal for full program details.

### AUSTRIA

**IES Vienna**  
The *European Society & Culture Program* examines cultural and political questions related to the European identity through a wide range of courses.

The *Vienna Music Program* is specifically designed for Music students and features courses in music performance, history, and theory.

**Univertität für Musik und darstellende Kunst**  
The Univertität für Musik und darstellende Kunst, in Vienna, is a conservatory exchange program offered to Eastman School of Music students. The Conservatory Exchange Program expands opportunities for students by creating exchanges with leading International music conservatories. A semester or year abroad offers the chance to improve language skills, appreciate a different culture, find a unique educational experience, learn about national performing styles, complete important research, and/or seek career opportunities.

### BELGIUM

**EPA Brussels**  
On the *Internships in Europe Program*, students take two courses and participate in an internship with a Member of European Parliament, or with an interest group or business. During the semester, participants take courses at Vesalius College of the Free University of Brussels. Courses are not offered in the summer session.

### CZECH REPUBLIC

**CIEE Prague**  
The *Central European Studies Program* is ideal for students with a background in economics or history.

Students participating in the *Film Studies Program* receive specific education in film production or screenwriting.

Students participating in the *Communications, New Media, and Journalism Program* will develop deeper literacy about global communication trends, while analyzing and articulating the complexities of contemporary life in the Czech Republic.

### DENMARK

**DIS Copenhagen**  
The Danish Institute for Study Abroad focuses on subjects including public health, music, psychology, sustainability, and more. 3.0 minimum GPA requirement.

**Royal Danish Academy of Music**  
The Royal Danish Academy of Music, in Copenhagen, is a conservatory exchange program offered to Eastman School of Music students. The Conservatory Exchange Program expands opportunities for students by creating exchanges with leading International music conservatories. A semester or year abroad offers the chance to improve language skills, appreciate a different culture, find a unique educational experience, learn about national performing styles, complete important research, and/or seek career opportunities.

**DTU - Technical University of Denmark**  
This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. Based

on intensive efforts in research, innovation and the transfer of knowledge, DTU has contributed to Denmark achieving a leading position within such diverse fields as design, wind energy, biotechnology, electronics and telecommunication. DTU thereby deserves a substantial share of the credit for Denmark being able, despite its modest size, to create and maintain a welfare society that is the envy of many nations.

### ENGLAND

**Advanced Studies in England**  
Advanced Studies in England offers courses in English, Creative Writing, Theatre and Film, Social/Political Science, and History, as well as a full social and cultural program. Small seminar classes can be combined with internship placements, or a one-on-one tutorial (many at Oxford University).

**Birmingham City University**  
This program is designed for junior year AME majors and is partnership with Birmingham City Music Technology and Sound Engineering and Production major. This course is aimed toward the technical music producer, skilfully training you in the use of technology to create, record and distribute music. We will challenge you, providing you with industry connections, live projects and a wide, in-depth knowledge of the field.

**EPA London**  
Students on the *Internships in Europe Program* participate in an 8-credit internship (6-credit in summer) and two 4-credit courses (one 2-credit course in summer). Internships are available in politics, including with Members of Parliament, business, arts, health sciences, medical research, law, and more. 3.0 minimum GPA requirement.

## STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

### Siobhán Seigne '19 Russian | Russian in Russia

"I'm on the track team and a lot of my team mates have come to me with questions about studying abroad. Despite being on a sports team and missing crucial training time- I think the long lasting impact of a study abroad program is very important. An acute awareness and tolerance as well as an appreciation of cultures different than our own are just some of the things a student learns while studying abroad. As someone who has been to Russia- a country that is stable but with a faltering economy- I think it is very important for students my age to garner an understanding of some of the impossible work and living situations some families find themselves in, especially without a governments and policy as forgiving as our own here in the United States."





### Royal College of Music

The Royal College of Music, in London, is a conservatory exchange program offered to Eastman School of Music students. The Conservatory Exchange Program expands opportunities for students by creating exchanges with leading International music conservatories. A semester or year abroad offers the chance to improve language skills, appreciate a different culture, find a unique educational experience, learn about national performing styles, complete important research, and/or seek career opportunities.

### Royal Northern College of Music

The Royal Northern College of Music, in Manchester, is a conservatory exchange program offered to Eastman School of Music students. The Conservatory Exchange Program expands opportunities for students by creating exchanges with leading International music conservatories. A semester or year abroad offers the chance to improve language skills, appreciate a different culture, find a unique educational experience, learn about national performing styles, complete important research, and/or seek career opportunities.

### IES London

The *Study London Program* allows students to select from a wide range of courses supplemented by internships, enrollment in



Ayumi Yuasa '18 | Birmingham City University

a local university course, workshops, and more. Students may also directly enroll at one of three prestigious universities in London.

The *Theater Studies Program* is ideal for students interested in studying drama, theater, literature, and creative writing.

The *Health Practice and Policy Program* emphasizes service learning and hands-on experience in the health-care fields. Culminates with a field study in Kingston, Jamaica.

The *London Direct Enrollment Program* offers students seven unique direct enrollment options: City University, Courtauld Institute of Art, Queen Mary at the University of London, School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London, Slade School of Fine Art at the University College London, or the University College London. Direct enrollment is open to juniors and seniors.

### IES Oxford

On this program, students can experience first-hand Oxford's tutorial-style education system by directly enrolling at St. Catherine's College. A minimum GPA of 3.85 and junior or senior standing is required to apply. Applications for spring are due in February.

### Theatre in England

This program offered by the English Department during winter break, allows students to attend a rigorous and delightful schedule of theater productions accompanied by readings and background lectures.

### University of Bristol

Bristol is the perfect size, offering all the excitement of a big city packed into an area you can easily explore on foot or by bike. The Bristol University Exchange allows UR students to take courses in Physics, Political Science, Sociology, Economics, Literature, Music, Archaeology, Global Public Health, and more.

### University of Leeds

Leeds is among the top ten universities for research in the UK and is internationally acknowledged as a center of excellence in a wide range of academic and professional disciplines. Integrating research and learning and teaching is at the heart of our strategy. Our courses are taught by staff who are engaged in world-class research and cutting-edge professional practice.

### University of Sheffield

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. Sheffield has the biggest and best engineering faculties in the UK. Independent assessments of our research excellence confirm more than two thirds of our research to be either internationally excellent or world leading. Our expertise is extensive – our seven academic departments and two interdisciplinary programme areas cover all the engineering disciplines. They are leaders in their fields and they are outstanding contributors to the development of new knowledge and linking their research to the teaching of the engineers of the future.

### University of Sussex

The University of Sussex Exchange allows UR students majoring in Brain and Cognitive Sciences an opportunity to spend a semester or year in Britain while still pursuing their BCS curriculum and taking classes that supplement that course of study. Students in other majors are also eligible.

### University of York

Come and study at the University of York, UK, in the cultural capital of the North, a city whose history stretches back to Roman times. York is frequently voted as one of Europe's most beautiful and safest cities to live in, and is located just two hours from London by train. Students can study a wide variety of subjects from three faculties; Sciences, Arts and Humanities and Social Sciences.

## FINLAND

### Sibelius Academy

The Sibelius Academy, in Helsinki, is a conservatory exchange program offered to Eastman School of Music students. The Conservatory Exchange Program expands opportunities for students by creating exchanges with leading International music conservatories. A semester or year abroad offers the chance to improve language skills, appreciate a different culture, find a unique educational experience, learn about national performing styles, complete important research, and/or seek career opportunities.

## FRANCE

### CIEE Paris

The *Critical & Francophone Studies Program* offers French-taught courses in the contemporary culture of film, literature, philosophy, arts, and criticism. Students may also take courses from any department at the University of Paris.

The *Open Campus Program* offers courses in business, communications, journalism, new media, health sciences, international relations, political science, literature, and culture. Students may also take courses from one of the Paris partner-universities.

### Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique et Danse de Paris

The Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique et Danse de Paris is a conservatory exchange program offered to Eastman School of Music students. The Conservatory Exchange Program expands opportunities for students by creating exchanges with leading International music conservatories. A semester or year abroad offers the chance to improve language skills, appreciate a different culture, find a unique educational experience, learn about national performing styles, complete important research, and/or seek career opportunities.

### French in France

The summer month-long *French in France* course is offered in June in Rochester's sister city in Brittany. Conversation and culture classes are held daily at the Institut Franco-American and are taught in French.

### French Sign Language Summer

The three-week summer *French Sign Language Program* focuses on basic and advanced conversational French Sign Language and on field trips fostering a broad understanding of French Deaf culture and general French culture. The program is taught in ASL and FSL.

### IES Nantes

This program specializes in French language and French-taught area studies courses. Students select from language courses in grammar, conversation, phonetics, as well as a variety of area studies courses. Option to enroll at a partner university in Nantes. Four semesters of college-level French is required.

### IES Nice

There are three programs available with IES Nice: *French Studies & Business On the Riviera*; *Direct Enrollment - SKEMA: Science, Engineering & Business*; *Direct Enrollment - Université Nice Sophia Antipolis*. To review all areas of study, please visit the UR Education Abroad Portal or visit the IES Abroad Nice program pages on IES Abroad's website.

### IES Paris

The *French Studies Program* combines a rigorous curriculum of French language study with French-taught courses. Students are encouraged to take at least one course from one of many partner universities. Four semesters of college-level French is required.

The *Business and International Affairs Program* gives students with no French language proficiency the opportunity to study international affairs, international business, and management in an international

setting. Students may take courses at the Novancia Business School Paris.

### University of Rennes 1 - Economics

Rennes Exchange Program in Economics is a one-semester program (14 weeks), entirely taught in English in small groups. It targets international students wishing to study in Rennes but without necessarily having the language skills to attend French speaking courses. The lectures cover a broad range of topics (microeconomics, macroeconomics, applied, public, international and labor economics...) and reflect the research activities of the teaching staff.

## GERMANY

### EPA Bonn and Berlin

Students on the *Internships in Europe Program* participate in an 8-credit internship and two 4-credit courses taught in German. Internships are available in politics, the Bundestag, business, art, and health sciences. Volunteer opportunities are also available. The summer program in Bonn carries 8 credits. Four semesters of college-level German is required.

### German in Germany

This four-week summer German language course is offered through the Department of Modern Languages and Cultures. One year of college-level German is required.



Nicolette Kober '18 | DIS Copenhagen

## STUDENT HIGHLIGHT



### Gina Bolanos '18 Mechanical Engineering | IES Madrid

"IES Madrid had everything you can think about: sports, language exchanges, dance classes and so on! My favorite activity that I did throughout my semester was volunteer at a local school in Madrid as a English teacher assistant for 3rd graders. It was a rewarding experience as I was able to improve my Spanish and meet several local kids. It definitely made me look into possibly teaching English after graduation and made me fall in love with teaching."

## STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

### Eli Rogers '18 Molecular Genetics / French | French in France / Non-UR Program: Independent Study in London / IES Paris / Non-UR Program: HU of Jerusalem Winter Ulpan / Non-UR Program: Technion Neubauer

"I would recommend study abroad to the highest degree; it was a life-changing experience that taught me more than I could have imagined about myself and about the world. I would specify, though, that anyone studying abroad should consider trying to have an experience that is not tourism, and trying to push themselves to be not in their comfort area. They will learn the most if they challenge themselves."





Hamburg University of Applied Sciences

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. Hamburg University of Applied Sciences (HAW Hamburg) is one of the largest of its kind in Germany and within our four faculties we offer a wide range of Bachelor's and Master's programmes in engineering, IT and life sciences. In teaching, the focus is on applied sciences, giving our students a practical insight into their fields of study through projects, lab work, internships and theses in industry. Expertise is drawn from faculty who have worked in industry before joining the university. The University is an important partner for the city of Hamburg's companies and innovation clusters, developing new ideas from the synergies of this dynamic location.

Hochschule für Musik (Freiburg)

The Hochschule für Musik, in Freiburg, is a conservatory exchange program offered to Eastman School of Music students. The Conservatory Exchange Program expands opportunities for students by creating exchanges with leading International music conservatories. A semester or year abroad offers the chance to improve language skills, appreciate a different culture, find a unique educational experience, learn about national performing styles, complete important research, and/or seek career opportunities.

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IES Berlin

The *Metropolitan Studies Program* uses Berlin as a case study to examine issues relevant to major cities today. Field study trips provide a comparative context for the program. Four semesters of college-level German is required.

The *Language and Area Studies Program* offers German-taught courses that draw upon Berlin's culture and tradition to connect coursework with the history of the city. Students may also enroll in courses at a local university.

IES Freiburg

Offering extensive academic field study, the *European Union Program* allows students to experience first-hand the countries, institutions, and policies that make up the European Union.

The *Environmental Studies & Sustainability Program* allows you to explore important topics in Environmental Studies, Forestry, and Sustainability.

The *Language and Area Studies Program* offers students the opportunity to improve their German language skills with German-taught courses available in a variety of disciplines at local universities. Four semesters of college-level German is required.

MLC Cologne

The *Cologne Exchange*, sponsored by the German section of the Department of Modern Languages and Cultures, allows selected juniors and seniors the opportunity to spend a full year at the University of Cologne. Courses are taught in German.

Munich University of Applied Sciences

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. Munich University of Applied Sciences is the second-largest University of Applied Sciences in Germany. Quality and diversity are our strengths. Our course offerings are multifaceted and practice-oriented: 14 departments in the areas of technology, economy,

social studies and design provide teaching in over 70 study courses. Munich University of Applied Sciences is not a typical campus university: in fact, the faculties are spread over three large sites. As well as each having their individual flair, each of the campuses has its own cafeteria and library.

GREECE

College Year in Athens

The *College Year in Athens Program* focuses on Greece—ancient, medieval, and modern—and the surrounding region, archaeology, classics, and history.

HUNGARY

AIT Budapest

This program is tailored to the needs of North American computer science and software engineering undergraduates. Open to sophomores, juniors, and first-semester seniors, AIT offers programs to bridge the gap between the worlds of academia and business. Optional intensive language course is offered in the two weeks before the program starts.

CIEE Budapest

This program, based at the Budapest University of Economic Sciences, allows students to gain a greater understanding of Eastern and Central Europe with specific emphasis on the Hungarian experience.

IRELAND

IES Dublin

Participants in the *Irish General Studies Program* enroll in courses in the humanities and sciences.

IES also offers the opportunity for students to directly enroll at Dublin City University, Trinity College Dublin, or the Gaiety School of Acting where a wide variety of coursework is offered.

The *Entrepreneurship & Technology Program* has been designed to provide you with leadership, entrepreneurial, and digital skills in an immersive environment so you can capitalize on the business-friendly energy of this city.

ITALY

Arezzo: Italian Studies in Tuscany

This fall semester faculty-led program was designed by the Department of Modern Languages and Cultures and offers courses in Italian language, literature, history, art, and culture. Successful completion of the program fulfills a Humanities Cluster and the majority of the requirements for an Italian minor. Open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

Experiential Learning in Procida

This summer program is focused on service learning. Students will be divided into groups to work on the nature reserve on the island of Vivara, alongside their Italian counterparts, in the sustainable social gardens on the island and on the shores of the Mediterranean. Formal Italian instruction and cultural excursions will make up a fundamental part of the cultural competency segment of the program. Students receive four credits in Italian language and culture and should be enrolled in IT 107, 157, or 207. All work counts towards an Italian minor.

ICCS Rome

The *Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies in Rome (ICCS) Program* with Duke University provides undergraduate students with an opportunity in Rome to study ancient history, archaeology, Greek and Latin literature, Italian language, and ancient art. 1 year of college-level Greek or Latin is required.

IES Milan

There are three programs available with IES Nice: the *Business Studies Program*, the

*Italy Today Program*, and the *Music, Tradition, and Innovation Program*. To review all areas of study, please visit the UR Education Abroad Portal or visit the IES Abroad Nice program pages on IES Abroad's website.

IES Rome

For students with little or no Italian proficiency who are interested in studying social sciences, humanities, and fine arts. Students with advanced Italian language may take courses taught in Italian at a partner university.

IES Siena

Social science and humanities courses offered in English. Students with advanced Italian skills may enroll at the Università Degli Studi di Siena.

NETHERLANDS

Delft University of Technology

This program is currently only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. Delft University of Technology is a modern university of science and technology with a rich tradition. Ranked among the top universities of technology in the world (#16, QS 2014) TU Delft's excellent research and education standards are backed by outstanding facilities, research institutes and research schools. TU Delft maintains close links with (inter)national industry, a strategic alliance contributing to the relevance of its academic programmes and career prospects for its students.

IES Amsterdam

As a part of the *Study Amsterdam Program*, students may enroll in IES courses and classes at the Universiteit van Amsterdam. Students may apply to directly enroll in the Conservatorium van Amsterdam, which features highly individualized music study, or Gerrit Reitveld Academie, which focuses on study in art and design. There is also a Psychology and Sciences track.

You're considering attending law school after graduation—wouldn't it be helpful to get a glimpse of what law school is like before you go and also figure out what type of legal career you're looking for? The *Law and Criminology Program* offers you that opportunity.

University of Twente

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. The University of Twente offers research and degree programs in the social and behavioral sciences and in engineering. The University of Twente, while relatively small-scale, is one of the world's leading universities which is reflected in the university's top 200 ranking. Our tagline, 'High Tech, Human Touch', reflects how our students and faculty members engage not only in developing pioneering technologies, but also in combining them with behavioral research, social sciences and economics.

POLAND

CIEE Warsaw

The *Central European Studies Program* allows students to gain a greater understanding of Eastern and Central Europe, with specific emphasis on the Polish experience.

Jagiellonian University

This exchange program takes place at Jagiellonian University. Courses are taught in English and include Polish language, history, Judaic studies, literature, political science, and sociology. Available during spring and full-year only.

The *Summer Program in Kraków*, offered by the Skalny Center, is organized in conjunction with the Jagiellonian University School of Polish Language and Culture, within the Faculty of Polish Studies. The program carries a total of 4 UR credits. Courses taken in Kraków count towards the Polish Language Cluster and the Certificate of Concentration in Polish and Central European Studies.

STUDENT HIGHLIGHT



Tessa Zavislan '18 International Relations / History | EPA Brussels

"I was an intern in the European Parliament, which allowed me to meet people from around the world and supported me in doing work that I was passionate about. I also was part of a very small program (five people), which allowed me to form meaningful relationships and really positively impacted my whole experience."

STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

Peter Martin '18 Business | IES Milan

"I strongly recommend studying abroad to all of my friends. The experience of studying abroad in Europe is unmatched to anything else I have done in my life thus far. I often traveled to new countries and famous cities with incredible historical landmarks on the weekends, which was very enlightening. Additionally, I thoroughly enjoyed spending time in my home city of Milan, Italy which had a substantial amount of activities to participate in at all times."





RUSSIA

CIEE St. Petersburg

The goal of the *Russian Language Program* is to offer intermediate and advanced students of Russian a well-balanced program of intensive Russian-taught language courses with an enriching cultural program of lectures and excursions.

The *Russian Area Studies Program* is intended for students who have fewer than two years of Russian language and are interested in an academic program taught in English.

Russian in Russia

The four-week summer *Russian in Russia Program* is led by Rochester faculty from the Department of Modern Languages and Cultures. Courses offered in grammar, phonetics, and conversation.

SCOTLAND

EPA Edinburgh

Students on the *Internships in Europe Program* participate in an 8-credit internship and two 4-credit courses at Edinburgh Napier University. Internships are available in politics, business, art, health sciences, and with members of the Scottish Parliament. 3.0 minimum GPA is required.

SPAIN

EPA Madrid

The *Internships in Europe Program* features politics, law, museum, media, and business internships along with related coursework. Students receive 8 credits for their internship and enroll in two 4-credit courses at a local university. Four semesters of college-level Spanish is required.

IES Barcelona

Students participating in the *Liberal Arts and Business Program* take courses in a variety of subjects taught in English and/or Spanish

through IES and local universities. This program also offers a pre-law concentration.

The *Advanced Spanish Studies Program* is similar to the Liberal Arts and Business Program, but students have the opportunity to enroll in language and area studies courses taught in Spanish at a local university.

Tracks in Art & Culture and Journalism & Communications are also available.

IES Granada

The *Intermediate Language Program* offers students the clearest window into Spain's unique historical blend of Islam, Christianity, and Judaism. Two semesters of college-level Spanish is required.

The *Advanced Language Program* is comparable to the Intermediate Language Program, but all courses are taught in Spanish. Participants may take courses at the University of Granada. Four semesters of college-level Spanish is required.

IES Madrid

The *Language and Area Studies Program* offers a wide range of Spanish-taught courses taught at the IES Center by local faculty, as well as the opportunity to register for courses at the Universidad Complutense de Madrid.

The *Engineering, Science, and Architecture in Madrid Program* is designed for students who want to take science and engineering courses in English or Spanish at one of the most prestigious engineering universities in Spain, Universidad Carlos III.

IES Salamanca

A major focus of this program is improving students' written and oral proficiency in Spanish. Both the language and area studies courses are taught in Spanish and are designed to build on the language skills that students already possess. Participants may also take courses at the University of Salamanca or at the Universidad Pontifica de Salamanca. Four semesters of college-level Spanish is required.

Universidad Del País Vasco

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. The Faculty of Engineering in Bilbao was founded on 1897. We are a public institution offering graduate, postgraduate and doctoral studies in a wide range of fields: mechanics, electric and electronics, energetics, aeronautics, telecommunications, chemical, environmental, industrial management, robotics and automatic control, materials, etc.

SWEDEN

DIS Stockholm

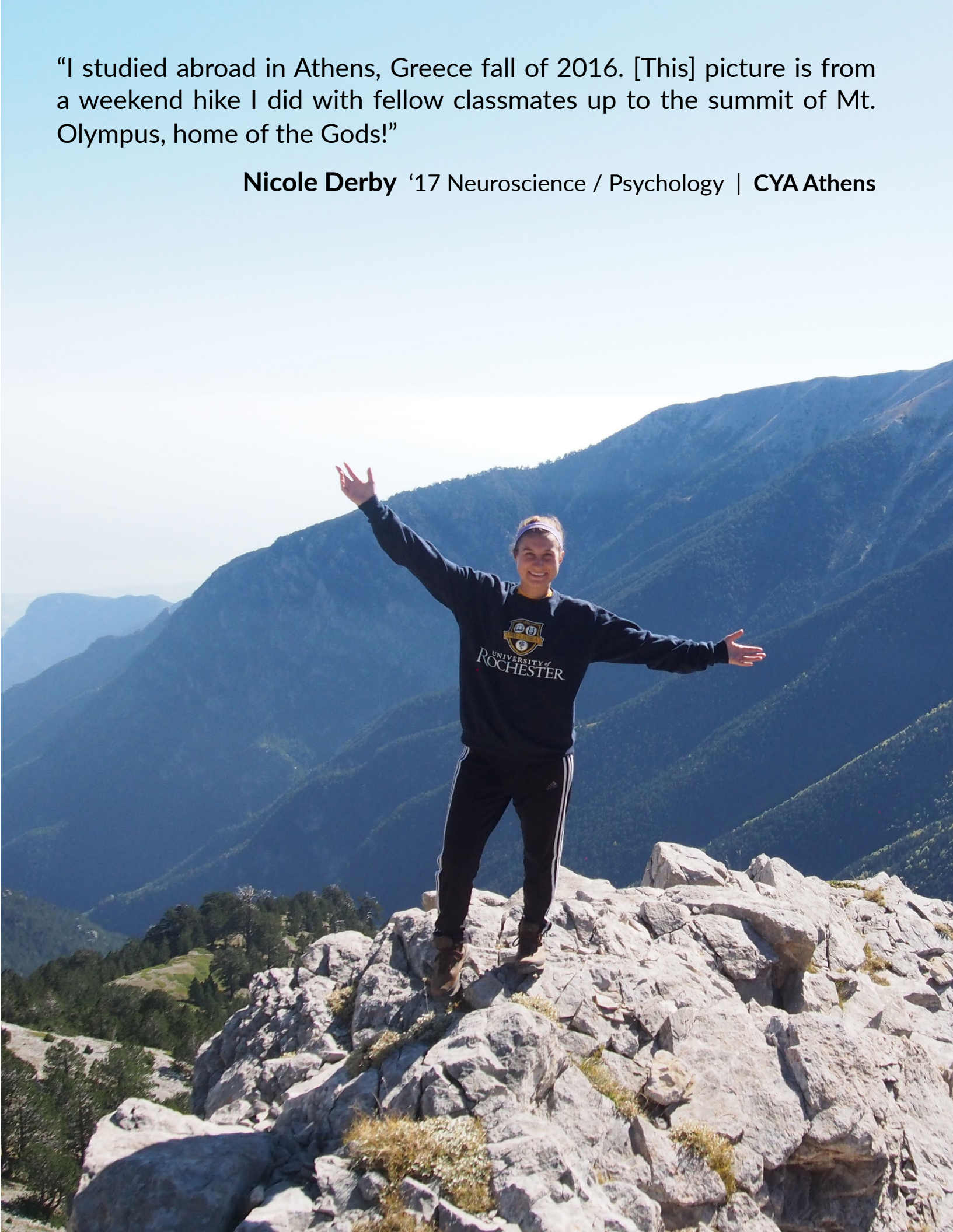
The Danish Institute for Study Abroad offers academically challenging study abroad programs with a variety of elective courses taught in English to choose from. Discover Europe through course-integrated study tours and DIScovery Trips. Pick between a range of cultural engagement and housing options.

Lund University

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. This University is considered Sweden's strongest comprehensive research university and has been awarded more research funding than any other Swedish full-scale university. Having the university's largest campus, the Faculty of Engineering, Lunds Tekniska Högskola or "LTH" in Swedish, is among the leading engineering faculties in Europe, with more than 9 000 undergraduates and 800 postgraduates based both in Lund and at Campus Helsingborg.

Uppsala University

Uppsala University has a wide range of courses in all disciplines taught in English. This, in addition to the Swedish people's generally good knowledge of English, makes Uppsala an attractive option for students wanting to experience another culture. UR students have taken science, computer science, politics and peace studies courses, among others. Available during spring and full-year only.



“I studied abroad in Athens, Greece fall of 2016. [This] picture is from a weekend hike I did with fellow classmates up to the summit of Mt. Olympus, home of the Gods!”

Nicole Derby ‘17 Neuroscience / Psychology | CYA Athens

STUDENT HIGHLIGHT



Elizabeth Beson ‘17 ASL / Linguistics / International Relations | CIEE Warsaw / ASL Paris / JU Krakow

“Studying abroad and living in another country is the most rewarding learning experience out there, but it’s not rainbows and roses all the time. Just because you’re in another country doesn’t mean all of these amazing experiences are going to just ‘happen’ to you; you have to put yourself out there, learn and speak the language as much as possible, and interact with the locals even though you might be nervous about doing something wrong or doing something on your own. Also, you don’t have as much time as you think you do while you’re there, so travel and do all of the touristy things as if you’re leaving in a week. You’re going to be tired, too, but at least you’ll be tired in a cool new place!”





# PROGRAMS IN ASIA

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### CHINA

#### CIEE Beijing

The *Advanced Chinese Studies Program* at Peking University offers students an opportunity to improve their fluency in spoken and written Mandarin through intensive language training. Eight semesters (or equivalent) of college-level Chinese is required.

The *Intensive Chinese Language Program* hosted by the prestigious Peking University offers the largest selection of Chinese language electives in China. Ideal for advanced and heritage language learners. Four semesters of college-level Chinese is required.

The *Language and Society Program* is designed for participants to gain understanding and insight into the rich cultural diversity of Chinese society.

The *Environmental, Cultural, and Social Sustainability Program* provides critical insight on the field of sustainability in contemporary China. Prior coursework in sustainability is useful.

#### CIEE Nanjing

The *Intensive Chinese Language and Culture Program* is appropriate for students with two to six semesters of Chinese who are interested in furthering their Chinese language and cultural skills through a variety of interactions. Two semesters of college-level Chinese is required.

#### Central Conservatory of Music

The Central Conservatory of Music, in Beijing, is a conservatory exchange program offered to Eastman School of Music students. The Conservatory Exchange Program expands opportunities for students

by creating exchanges with leading International music conservatories. A semester or year abroad offers the chance to improve language skills, appreciate a different culture, find a unique educational experience, learn about national performing styles, complete important research, and/or seek career opportunities.

#### IES Beijing

The *Contemporary China & Chinese Language Program* offers students an array of Chinese language courses, including upper level, topic-based Chinese language electives, and area studies courses taught in English. This program will benefit students who want to rapidly expand their knowledge of written and spoken Chinese, and their knowledge about China in general.

#### IES Shanghai

The *Economy, Business, and Society Program* at Fudan University is designed for students interested in gaining a deeper understanding of Chinese culture and social development.

#### Shanghai Jiao Tong University Joint Institute - University of Michigan

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. The UM-SJTU Joint Institute (JI) is an equal-partner institution cooperatively sponsored by the University of Michigan (UM) and Shanghai Jiao Tong University (SJTU). The Chinese Government and both partner universities have made a strong commitment to develop JI as a world class research oriented high-learning institute.

### HONG KONG

#### Chinese University of Hong Kong

CUHK has particular strengths in Biomedical Sciences, Chinese Studies, Economics

and Finance, Earth Sciences, and Information Sciences. Biomedical, electrical, mechanical engineering, and also computer sciences courses are available. The CUHK exchange program is available to second-semester sophomores, juniors, and first-semester seniors.

The *Summer in Hong Kong Program* is available and sponsored by the Evans Lam Scholarship. The scholarship covers tuition (2 courses - 6 credits), housing, most meals, post-program travel within mainland China, and provides up to \$5,000 per student. Courses are taken at CUHK during summer.



Carolina Manent '18 | IES Shanghai

## STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

### Samekh Harris Reed '18 Psychology | IES Tokyo

"My Homestay impacted me the most while abroad. The family I stayed with was very welcoming and very accommodating and just overall wonderful people who accepted me into their home and made me feel like I was actually part of the family. I ate home cooked meals, they helped me figure out traveling around Japan, I could ask questions about homework and they helped me with the language. They never made me feel awkward or uncomfortable, it was a family away from family."





City University of Hong Kong

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. CityU offers professional education that prepares its students for the challenges and exciting opportunities opening up in Hong Kong, the Asia-Pacific region and throughout the world in business, science and engineering, energy and environment, law, creative media and social sciences. Through its extensive links with relevant industries, CityU provides real-life opportunities for students to work with and learn from professionals in the workplace, from bachelor degrees and postgraduate studies to associate degrees and continuing education.

Hong Kong Polytechnic University

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. Located in one of the most fascinating cities in the world, Hong Kong is literally a gateway to the Chinese mainland and living here will offer wonderful opportunities to travel to China as well as the rest of Asia. We are the



Mark Auden '17 | Seoul, South Korea

largest publicly funded tertiary institution in Hong Kong in terms of student population. We have an international community with over 1,000 international students on campus from over 40 countries and over 1,200 academic staff, many who are recruited globally.

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology Exchange

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) is a leading international research university dedicated to the pursuit of new knowledge in science and engineering. UR has an agreement with The School of Engineering which allows engineering students to take courses in chemical, electrical, and mechanical engineering, and computer science. Second-semester sophomores, juniors, and first-semester seniors may apply.

INDIA

LV Prasad Eye Institute Summer Research Experience

L V Prasad Eye Institute (LVPEI) was established in 1987 at Hyderabad as a not-for-profit, non-government, comprehensive eye care institution. The LVPEI main campus is a well-structured and secured campus in a very upscale neighborhood in Hyderabad. The hospital serves patients from all over the state and the country and also many International patients are treated here. Student activities will vary with the particular research project to which they are assigned. Typical activities would include conducting laboratory tests, conducting data cleaning and coding, or administering surveys to research subjects. Students will have no clinical responsibilities, but may observe LVPEI staff provide clinical services.

INDONESIA

Institut Teknologi Bandung

Institut Teknologi Bandung (ITB) is a 29-hectare campus located in the northern

area of the city of Bandung, West Java, Indonesia. ITB is the first and largest scientific and technical university in Indonesia founded during the colonial era in 1920. Now, it consists of 12 Faculties & Schools offering courses and research in sciences, technologies as well as fine arts. This program is only offered to engineering students.

JAPAN

IES Nagoya

This competitive program offers excellent learning opportunities at Nanzan University, one of Japan's leading educational institutions. This direct-enrollment program specializes in Japanese language study and English-taught Japanese area studies. Please note that this program has very early application deadlines. Two semesters of college-level Japanese is required.

IES Tokyo

Expand your understanding of Japan by immersing yourself in contemporary Japan and its culture in the *Language and Culture in Tokyo Program*. At Kanda University of International Studies (KUIS), you take a 6-credit language course specially designed for IES Abroad students (with the option of taking up to 12 credits of language), plus area studies courses taught in English.

Meiji Gakuin University

The Tokyo exchange program between UR and Meiji Gakuin University allows UR students to spend a semester or year at Meiji Gakuin while their Japanese counterparts study at UR. Two semesters of college-level Japanese is required.

Waseda University

Tokyo has global influence rivaling that of New York, London and Paris. The most populous city in the world, it serves as a gateway to Asia, and is a place where you can experience all the cutting-edge international trends. Tokyo is guaranteed to stimulate your intellectual curiosity!

MACAU

University of Macau

The University of Macau exchange program is the leading tertiary institution in Macau. A former Portuguese colony, Macau was administered by Portugal from the mid-16th century until late 1999. The city offers a mix of Chinese and Portuguese influence. Courses are offered in business, law, science, psychology, computer science, and electrical engineering. Juniors and first-semester seniors may apply.

MALAYSIA

Universiti Teknologi Malaysia

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM) is a leading innovation-driven entrepreneurial research university. It is located both in Kuala Lumpur, the capital city of Malaysia and Johor Bahru, the southern city in Iskandar Malaysia, which is a vibrant economic corridor in the south of Peninsular Malaysia.

SINGAPORE

Nanyang Technological University

Nanyang Technological University (NTU) is a leading institution of higher education in the Asia-Pacific region. NTU offers broad-based and multidisciplinary curricula that include schools of engineering, life sciences, communications, art, business, humanities, and the social sciences.

SOUTH KOREA

Hanyang University

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. Hanyang University is the successor of DongA Polytechnic Institute, which was established in 1939 despite the turbulent and repressive environment, resulting from Japan's occupation of the peninsula (1910-1945). In 1959, the University became a comprehensive

university. It has about 37,000 students in 22 colleges and 16 graduate schools, and is ranked 3rd best private University in Korea by the England's "The Times World University Review," (2009).

Korea Advanced Institute of Science & Technology

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST) is located in Daejeon. KAIST was established by the government of Korea in 1971 as the nation's first research oriented science and engineering institution and was ranked as the top university in Korea for 6 consecutive years by Joong Ang Newspaper's University Evaluation. In the 2012 QS and THE University Rankings, KAIST was ranked 63rd and 68th respectively overall. In the engineering section, KAIST was ranked 24th by the QS evaluation.

Seoul National University

Seoul National University (SNU) is the leading research university in Korea. This exchange program allows sophomores, juniors, and first-semester seniors to take courses in business, Korean history, computer science, mechanical engineering, economics, English literature, and environmental science.

TAIWAN

CIEE Taipei

The *Intensive Chinese Language and Culture Program* is appropriate for beginning through advanced language. Students interested in improving their Chinese while having the opportunity to take Asian and Taiwanese Studies courses taught in English. Two semesters of college-level Chinese is required.

The *Communications, Business, and Political Economy Program* is designed to provide students with an exceptional academic experience in a Chinese context through direct enrollment at National Chengchi University. One semester of college-level Chinese is required.

THAILAND

CIEE Khon Kaen

The goal of the *Development and Globalization Program* is to engage students in hands-on field study to understand the complexities of development, globalization, and environmental issues.

The *Community Public Health Program* engages students with the complexities and challenges of public health in Thailand.



Zhewen Guan '19 | NTU

STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

Lauren Raue '18 Health, Behavior & Society | CIEE Khon Kaen

"Don't be afraid to study abroad in non-traditional locations. Though it may seem fun to study abroad with friends or U of R peers, I enjoyed studying with students from schools all over the U.S. Being in a new environment is conducive to quickly building close relationships with peers on your program."



STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

Jacqueline Tran '18 Anthropology | Non-UR Program: CIEE Rabat

"I am a Gilman scholar. The Gilman scholarship was a huge plus and allowed me to fully pursue study abroad without having a heavy financial burden. I took greater risks and made the most out of my study abroad experience because I did not have to worry as much about affordability as I would have without the scholarship."





# PROGRAMS IN AFRICA



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### BOTSWANA

#### CIEE Gaborone

The University of Botswana offers students from a wide range of academic disciplines the opportunity to pursue an intensive curriculum in classes with local students. Through courses at the University and a variety of community engagement and field-based research opportunities, participants will explore Botswana and learn about its important role in the Southern Africa region. Courses are available in engineering, social sciences, natural sciences, and humanities.

The *Community Public Health Program* critically appraises the issues developing nations face in their efforts to provide their citizens with sustainable public healthcare.

### GHANA

#### CIEE Legon

The program at the University of Ghana provides an opportunity for students from all academic disciplines to live and study in Ghana while continuing to pursue their own academic goals in a variety of disciplines. Previous coursework in African Studies is recommended.

#### Digital Archaeology of Heritage Buildings of West Africa

This summer program is led by Rochester faculty member, Professor Renato Peruchio. Focusing on the Elmina Castle (1482, Ghana) the school introduces the principles of structural diagnostics of heritage masonry buildings with the aim to produce a systematic survey (manual, photogrammetric, laser scanning, aerial drone photography) and related digital reconstructions of select areas of the Castle.

### GUINEA

#### Experience Guinea

In the *Experience Guinea: Exploration in Drumming, Dance, and Historical Context Program*, you'll spend three weeks during winter break studying with Master Drummer, Dancer and Rochester adjunct faculty member, Fana Bangoura. Intensive study that includes historical lecture, live performances by professional artist and a mini-festival for students to showcase their work.

### MALAWI

#### Malawi Immersion Seminar

The *Malawi Immersion Seminar*, run by the Anthropology Department, provides students with an intensive three-week, six-credit summer study abroad experience. The program focuses on experiential learning as the main pathway of instruction.

### MOROCCO

#### IES Rabat

This program offers students the opportunity to begin Arabic language study or enhance existing language skills while exploring the culture and history of North Africa. Students can take Arabic- and French-taught courses at the Université Mohammed V – Agdal.

### SENEGAL

#### CIEE Dakar

Interested in international relations and francophone studies? The *Language and Culture Program* is right for you! Be immersed in the democratic, French-speak-

ing, West-African culture of Senegal. Two semesters of college-level French is required.

The *Development Studies Program* explores development-related issues in Senegal through courses in government, public health, environmental issues, development economics, and urban studies. All courses taught in French. Five semesters of college-level French is required.

### SOUTH AFRICA

#### IES Cape Town

This program offers students the opportunity to explore the cultural, social, and economic landscape of South Africa. Students have the choice of service learning or field study. Participants also take 3-5 courses at the University of Cape Town.



Jacqueline Tran '18 | Rabat

## STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

### Manal Sidi '17 Health, Behavior & Society | IES Cape Town

"I completed a service learning course with IES, where I took a public health course and was assigned to a community organization. During the course, we discussed the different healthcare systems, traditional healing practices, and methods of dealing with the current HIV/TB outbreaks in South Africa. I also volunteered with Sisters4Sisters, a peer to peer support group focused on connecting women who've face difficulties in their lives. I am so grateful for the opportunity as I was able to gain firsthand experience of how the public health system works and improves people's lives."







# PROGRAMS IN THE MIDDLE EAST

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### ISRAEL

#### Ben Gurion University

The *Overseas Student Program* at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev offers courses in the humanities and social sciences, health sciences, environmental studies, desert studies, natural sciences, and business. Concentrations include entrepreneurship and innovation, global health, sustainable development, and Israel studies. Students with sufficient Hebrew may take courses at the regular university and students with sufficient academic background may take graduate-level courses. Academic research internships and volunteer opportunities are also available.

#### Rothberg International School

At the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, students take courses in English at the Rothberg International School, but students who are proficient in Hebrew may take regularly scheduled Hebrew University courses. Special programs include *Art Jerusalem* – a joint initiative of Bezalel Academy of Arts and Design and HU; *Dance Jerusalem* – a joint initiative between Rothberg's Jerusalem Academy of Music and Dance.

Note: Upon successful completion, six credits will be awarded for the summer Ulpan, four credits for the winter Ulpan, and four credits for semester language courses.

#### Technion Israel Institute of Technology

The Technion - Israel Institute for Technology is one of the world's top science and technology research universities. Study in English at the School of Engineering. Open to Junior ME majors. Contact your HSEAS adviser for more information.

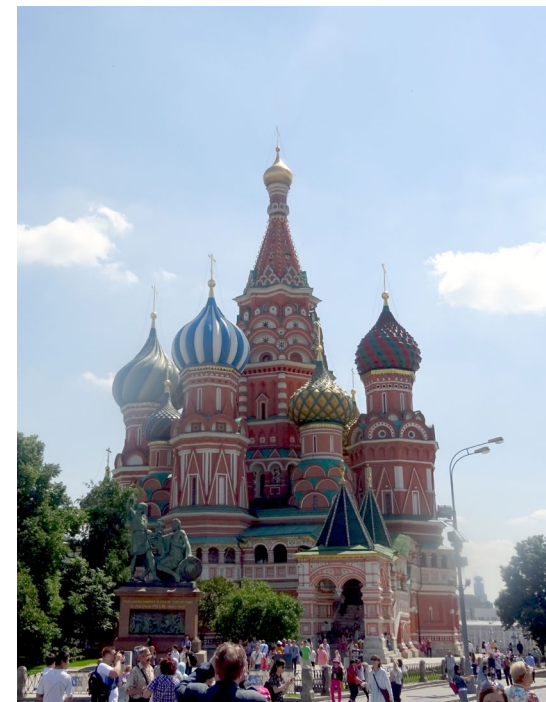
### JORDAN

#### CIEE Amman

On the *Arabic Language Program*, students develop the language skills needed to study literature, history, or business communication while gaining a deeper understanding of the issues facing the Middle East today. Five semesters of college-level Arabic is required.

The *Language and Culture Program* features opportunities to study Jordan and the Middle East, Arabic language, the humanities, social sciences, and more.

The *Diplomacy and Policy Studies Program* provides specialized courses on Middle Eastern politics, international relations, government, economics, and Middle Eastern studies. Three semesters of college-level Arabic is required.



Jorge Sanchez De Llano '17 | Russian in Russia



Gabriela Hernandez '17 | CIEE Jordan

### UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

#### CIEE Sharjah

The *Business, Engineering, Arts, and Sciences Program* is geared towards students who want to enroll directly in business, engineering, science, social science, and humanities courses taught in English at the American University of Sharjah. Students may also enroll in Arabic language courses.

## STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

**Gabriela Hernandez '17** International Relations | CIEE Jordan / CIEE Sharjah / Arezzo: Italian Studies in Tuscany

"What impacted me the most was my host family. My host siblings were just a few years older than me and we became very close. I hung out with them all the time, having long conversations about life in the living room or going out for bowling and kanafeh. Their talking bilingual bird even learned to say my name! Having a great host family definitely made the transition of living in a new country easier. I gained a new perspective from them and learned things about Jordan that I wouldn't have known otherwise. I video chat with my host siblings all the time and am welcome to their home when I return."







# PROGRAMS IN THE AMERICAS

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### ARGENTINA

**IES Buenos Aires**  
The *Latin American Societies and Culture Program* is ideal for students with fewer than four semesters of Spanish and allows students to improve their language skills while immersing them in the city's culture.

The *Advanced Spanish Immersion Program* offers a number of Spanish-taught courses as well as enrollment options at local universities. Students in all tracks may take courses at a local university. Five semesters of college-level Spanish is required.

### BERMUDA

**Smith's Island**  
This Summer field school seeks to locate archaeological sites on Smith's Island. Students will be involved in archaeological field methods, artifact identification and analysis, and documentary research. Through lectures, readings, and tours of local sites, students will also learn about Bermuda's four-hundred-year history and the early modern Atlantic world.

### CHILE

**IES Santiago**  
Offering a challenging Spanish-taught curriculum, this program's courses focus on Latin American and Chilean development. Programs include the *Health Studies Program* and the *Politics, Social Justice & Language Program*. Four semesters of college-level Spanish is required.

### ECUADOR

**IES Galápagos**  
The *Galápagos Islands Direct Enrollment Program* brings you to a biologically-diverse island location to study on one of three tracks: Evolution, Ecology, and Conservation; Marine Ecology; or People, Politics, and the Environment. Students who participate must have taken at least one biology course and one ecology course.

**IES Quito**  
A Spanish immersion program with a wide range of courses, the *Language and Area Studies Program* focuses on Ecuador's ecological and ethnic diversity and the challenges of development. Courses are available at local universities. Four semesters of college-level Spanish is required.

Students with advanced Spanish skills may participate in the *Direct Enrollment Program* at the Universidad San Francisco de Quito. Six semesters of college-level Spanish is required.

### MEXICO

**Tecnológico de Monterrey**  
This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. The Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (ITESM), was founded 1943 by a group of successful Mexican entrepreneurs. Currently, there are 32 campuses around the country that make up the Tecnológico de Monterrey Education System. Specifically, the Monterrey Campus has received both national and international recognition for providing 67 years of academic excellence to its students.



Juhi Desai '17 | IES Buenos Aires

### PERU

**PUCP Peru**  
This exchange program in Lima, Peru allows students to enroll at the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (PUCP), which offers a wide variety of coursework. Students attend class with Peruvians and benefit from excursions throughout the country during the course of the semester. Five semesters of college-level Spanish is required.

### MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

**IES Multi-Location**  
Designed for students interested in business, economics, sociology, and political science, the *Emerging Economies: Buenos Aires & Santiago Program* offers a unique comparative perspective of two of the most notable emerging economies in South America: Santiago, Chile, and Buenos Aires, Argentina.

THE AMERICAS

## STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

**Fran Mangot '18** International Relations / Latin American Studies | IES Buenos Aires

"My biggest piece of advice to a student thinking about studying abroad is to go for it! Go outside of your comfort zone and push your boundaries. Pushing ourselves outside of our comfort zone is how we grow as individuals, and at this stage in our life, it's the best time to just go out there and learn about ourselves. Going to Buenos Aires was not the most conventional destination, it was a place that not many people around me knew that much about and that made me nervous. I definitely had a much different experience than my friends who studied abroad in Europe, but I would not have changed a second of my experience. Seeing the differences between how our modern country conducts business, how we deal with poverty, infrastructure, and technology and how it is done in Argentina was eye opening and I learned so much. It's worth taking a leap of faith and taking chances so that you can grow and learn more about yourself and the world around you!"







# PROGRAMS IN AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND

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Sabrina Westgate '19 | IES Christchurch

### AUSTRALIA

#### Australian National University

The exchange program with Australian National University in the capital city of Canberra allows UR students to study at the prestigious ANU while their Australian counterparts study at UR. A wide variety of courses are offered including engineering, science, and liberal arts subjects.

#### IES Sydney

The IES Sydney program at Macquarie University offers a wide variety of courses with special strengths in the sciences, social psychology, business, and commerce.

#### University of Melbourne

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. The University of Melbourne is a vibrant institution with a reputation for excellence built over 150 years. Success has been achieved by insisting on international excellence and among our many scholars of international standing are three winners

of the Nobel Prize. Researchers are at the forefront of international scholarship in fields as diverse as human rights, art conservation and nanotechnology.

#### University of New South Wales

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. University of New South Wales is one of Australia's leading research and teaching universities. At UNSW, we take pride in the broad range and high quality of our teaching programs. Our teaching gains strength and currency from our research activities and our international nature; UNSW has a strong regional and global engagement.

#### University of Newcastle

This program is only available to Engineering and Computer Science majors. The University of Newcastle, Australia is a world-class institution with an exceptional record of achievement making an impact within its own region and across the globe. Our research is world-class and diverse. Our degree programs within business and

law, education and arts, engineering and built environment, health and medicine, and science and information technology are internationally recognised and our partnerships and collaborations drive innovation. Our alumni are leaders and our students are preparing to make a difference in the world.

#### University of Sydney

Students directly enroll in classes at the University of Sydney while their Australian counterparts study at UR.

#### University of Western Australia

Perth is Australia's fourth largest city and is the capital of the thriving State of Western Australia. Voted as one of the world's most livable cities, the inhabitants of Perth enjoy a climate and lifestyle that is envied by many. The exchange program with University of Western Australia allows UR students to study at UWA while their counterparts study at UR. A wide variety of courses are offered including engineering, Biology, Economics, Political Science, Business, Chemistry, and Neuroscience. UWA is a member of the Worldwide University Network.

### NEW ZEALAND

#### IES Auckland

The program at the University of Auckland offers a wide range of courses in seven main faculties including fine arts, business and economics, engineering, law, health sciences, and natural sciences.

#### IES Christchurch

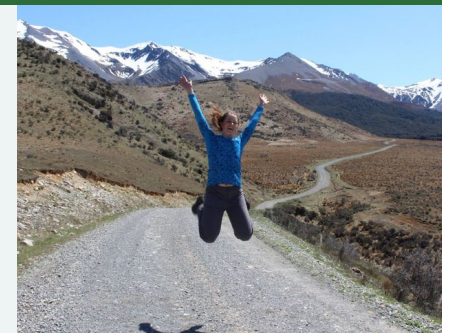
This program offers direct enrollment at the University of Canterbury. Available courses are spread across a wide range of faculties with strong and unique offerings in engineering, ecology, film studies, international relations, and more.

### STUDENT HIGHLIGHT

#### Lauren Dunlap '17 Chemical Engineering | IES Christchurch

##### Reflections on an overnight backpacking trip with the Land Journeys and Ethics class

"[The] trip started at 9 p.m. with the students being dropped off in groups at certain points in the wilderness, from which we were supposed to navigate to our campsite by following a compass bearing. . . . After two hours of bushwhacking up and down densely forested hills, getting very lost, and following some over-enthusiastic students on a wild goose chase, we ended up at our campsite. That was definitely the most memorable experience I had in New Zealand!"







[Study abroad is] a mindset of going somewhere new and being open to new experiences. I believe that the best place you can go is outside of your comfort zone.

- Mariah Greico | University of Rochester | Madrid, Spain | Fall 2016



Tamar Prince, University of Rochester  
Dublin, Ireland | Spring 2017



Jake Tyson, University of Rochester  
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# CAREER & INTERNSHIP CENTER

A message from Joe Testani, Assistant Dean & Director of Career & Internship Center

## Global Engagement Enhances Your Ability to Prepare for the Workforce

Did you know there are more than 15 different ways to greet someone in Mandarin Chinese?

During the summer of 2016 and Spring 2017, I had the opportunity to visit China (my first time in 2016!). Throughout my travels, I discovered cultural differences and traditions, learned some of the native language, visited historical landmarks, sampled local fare and developed connections with prospective and current University of Rochester students, parents, alumni and employers. My experience abroad was impactful and has influenced the way I approach the work I do each day.

While abroad, I had the opportunity to speak with alumni and employers regarding the skills that are sought after in successful career professionals. I discovered that the competencies that professionals sought in China were the same key competencies many of the employers and alumni in the United States were seeking - regardless of the industry. The following eight competencies are sought after in the workforce:

- Critical Thinking & Problem Solving
- Oral/Written Communications
- Teamwork/Collaboration
- Information Technology
- Application Leadership
- Professionalism/Work Ethic
- Career Management
- Global/Intercultural Fluency

*\*The eight competencies were confirmed and derive from employer research and industry research from the National Association of Colleges & Employers.*

If you are looking for a way to distinguish and enhance your personal and professional development, studying abroad can build meaningful connections between your academic pursuits and career goals. Through your travels, you not only discover the cultural traditions and customs overseas but also build a network and enhance your skills that prepare you for a fulfilling career after graduating from the University of Rochester.

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# RIVER CAMPUS LIBRARIES

A message from Mary Ann Mavrinnac, Vice Provost & Andrew H. and Janet Dayton Neilly Dean of the University of Rochester Libraries

## Going abroad? You can take the library with you!

I travel a lot for work and, at least once a year, my husband and I like to go somewhere in the world to find a great place to hike. We've hiked in the mountains of Picos de Europa, Andes, West Coast Trail (Vancouver Island, Canada), Grand Canyon, and Yosemite, to name a few. We're looking forward to returning to the Andes in the Patagonian region of Chile in the next few months.

While I'm away, I always take the University of Rochester Libraries with me. All I need is an internet connection and it's as if I'm sitting right in the stacks. As long as I have a wireless signal, I can access library services even if I'm on top of a mountain.

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Once you're back in Rochester, don't forget to stop by at the library. We'd be happy to hear about your experience abroad and learn about how we can keep serving you better.



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# HOW TO APPLY

## Step 1: Education Abroad Application

Request permission to go abroad by creating a profile through the Education Abroad Portal at: [studyabroad.rochester.edu](http://studyabroad.rochester.edu)

**Deadlines:** October 15 for spring programs and March 15 for fall or full-year programs.

## Step 2: Program Applications

Typical Application Components (Online and/or Paper):

- General application forms
- Transcripts from all colleges you have attended. Request one for each program to which you are applying. Request transcripts online at: [www.rochester.edu/registrar/transcripts.html](http://www.rochester.edu/registrar/transcripts.html)
- Approval or authorization of your academic dean or education abroad office
- Personal statement or essay
- Faculty recommendation(s)

Check program application instructions for specific and additional requirements. Even if you apply online, you may still need to request paper copies of certain documents.

**Deadlines:** Generally September-October for spring programs, and February-March for summer, fall, and full-year programs.

Some programs or universities have earlier deadlines. Expect to begin preparing your application at least four to six weeks in advance of the deadline. While it should not take long to write essays and fill out the application itself, allow plenty of time to obtain recommendations and transcripts. Note that in some cases you will work with two portals (e.g. UR and IES).

## Eligibility

- Students who are on academic probation, disciplinary probation, or have disciplinary action pending against them are not normally eligible for education abroad.
- You should be making satisfactory progress toward completing your degree. There should be no missing or incomplete grades from previous semesters.
- Poor academic performance in the semester prior to education abroad may jeopardize your eligibility.
- In order to apply to a UR program, you should have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75. Some programs have higher GPA requirements.
- “Back-to-back” or consecutive education abroad experiences may present visa challenges (e.g. spring in Spain followed by a summer in London). Consult with an Education Abroad Advisor early on as you plan.

## Special note regarding non-UR programs

- Not all non-UR programs are accredited; meet with an Education Abroad adviser to make sure that the credits will transfer.
- It is essential to obtain course approvals before leaving campus to ensure that all credits will transfer.
- Send your application materials directly to the program sponsor.
- Note that UR has formal affiliations with a variety of program providers and universities; students are not permitted to make independent arrangements to go abroad with these program providers or at these affiliated universities. They must use UR arrangements.

# FINANCING

In most cases, education abroad costs about the same as studying at UR. UR is committed to making education abroad financially feasible for all students.

## Tuition

### UR Programs

Students going on UR programs are charged UR tuition and standard room costs for their semester(s) abroad, with a few exceptions (talk with an Education Abroad adviser to find out more). These charges will appear on your UR term bill, which will also show any anticipated or expected financial aid. Financial aid budgets also typically include fees, meals, personal expenses, international airfare, books and other required expenses.

### Non-UR Programs

Students studying on non-UR programs will be charged a \$1,596 administrative fee by UR. You will be billed directly for the program cost by the institution or university that sponsors your program.

## Financial Aid

### Eligibility

If you are a financial aid recipient, you will be eligible to receive financial aid during your semester(s) abroad on UR programs. If your total program cost is less than the cost of studying at UR for that semester, your need-based aid will be reduced proportionately. Merit awards will not be reduced. Since each student’s financial situation is unique, you will need to meet with a financial aid counselor while planning your semester(s) abroad. For more information, visit the Center for Education Abroad’s website.

### Application

To be considered for financial aid students must complete their financial aid application. Students can view the status of their financial aid application, including any outstanding application requirements, via FAOnline at: [enrollment.rochester.edu/financial](http://enrollment.rochester.edu/financial)

### Outside Financial Aid and Scholarships

Some education abroad programs offer their own merit and/or need-based financial aid. An education abroad adviser can direct you to these programs. Financial aid counselors will review the outside scholarships and financial aid eligibility for each student participating on an education abroad program. In order to provide the greatest benefit to students, work eligibility and loans are reduced before reducing university need-based grant. The combination of outside scholarships and financial aid cannot exceed the student’s calculated need or cost of attendance. Find out more about scholarships at: [rochester.edu/college/abroad/students/scholarships.html](http://rochester.edu/college/abroad/students/scholarships.html)

## Special Scholarships

There is a wide array of scholarships and loans designed specifically for overseas study. We strongly encourage you to apply. Many of them are merit-based and represent an academic honor that will serve you well on your resume. For more details, visit: [rochester.edu/college/abroad/students/scholarships.html](http://rochester.edu/college/abroad/students/scholarships.html)

- Receive a \$2,000 grant to attend any UR exchange program, with few exceptions.
- The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship enables students to participate in education abroad opportunities worldwide. To be eligible, students must be a US citizen receiving a Federal Pell Grant.
- The Boren/National Security Education Program is a US Government program to promote study in certain non-western countries.
- The BUTEX North American Scholarships are for students who wish to study in the UK.
- The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) offers scholarships for students who are interested in studying in Germany.
- Hebrew University offers partial and full merit and need-based scholarships for academically outstanding students.
- The College Year in Athens Program (CYA) offers several merit and need-based scholarships for participating students.
- The Institute for International Education of Students (IES) offers scholarships for students who are applying to IES programs.
- The Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE) offers scholarships and grants for students applying to CIEE programs.
- The Danish Institute for Study Abroad (DIS) offers need-based, merit, and several other scholarships for students who wish to enroll in a DIS program.
- The US Department of State sponsors Critical Language Scholarships for intensive summer study of certain “critical need” languages. Early deadline.
- The Burton Fellowship (Modern Languages and Cultures) for UR summer education abroad programs.
- Students who are members of the Golden Key International Honor Society may apply for a study abroad scholarship offered by the society.
- Students who are members of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars may apply for special scholarships through that organization.
- Fund for Education Abroad scholarships were designed by professionals in the field of Education Abroad to meet the growing need for financial resources to enable more students to go abroad.
- The Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies in Rome (ICCS) offers need-based aid for participants.
- There are special scholarships specifically for students going on exchange programs. To learn more, see an advisor at the Center for Education Abroad.



Kyoung Kim '19 | University of Sydney



# TRANSFER CREDIT

## Credit

Credit will be awarded for all approved courses in which you have earned a grade of C or better. Speak with an Education Abroad adviser for a list of pre-approved courses that you can take while abroad that will count toward your degree.

## Determining the Number of Credits Awarded

Many American colleges and universities are based on a 120-credit system, in contrast to UR, which requires 128 credits to complete the undergraduate degree. Transfer credit is awarded on a proportional basis. If you take five three-credit courses on another school's program, credit will be evaluated according to this formula:  $15/120 = x/128$ ;  $x = 16$  credits. For programs that employ the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS), UR awards credit at a rate of 0.5 UR credits for each ECTS credit. In most cases, a full semester (or year) of education abroad completed elsewhere is worth a full semester (or year) at UR. In any event, students

abroad must complete the equivalent of 16 UR credits per semester. Neither underloads nor overloads are permitted during education abroad. If you are on an education abroad program at a university whose academic year is broken into three terms, e.g. University of York, you must complete both the spring and summer terms for the equivalent of the UR's spring semester.

## Grading

Grades earned on most UR programs appear on your UR transcript but do not count in your GPA. Grades for courses graded by UR faculty appear on the transcript and are calculated into your GPA. Education abroad programs that fall into this category include the "Rochester in Arezzo" program, UR faculty-led short-term programs, and the internship portion of the "Internships in Europe" programs. In most cases, education abroad courses are not graded by UR faculty. Grades earned on non-UR programs do not appear on your UR transcript and do not count in your GPA.



Marcelina Martynak '18 | IES Madrid

# PASSPORT & VISA

## Passport

Everyone wishing to go abroad must have a valid passport. Check that yours will be valid for at least six months beyond your intended stay abroad. If you don't have a valid passport, apply for one now.

## Visa

A visa is official permission, granted by the authorities of the country where you wish to study or visit, which allows you to enter and remain in that country for a specific purpose and for a designated period of time. You must have a valid passport in order to apply for a visa. Every country, and even different consulates of a country, have specific application requirements and procedures. You cannot apply for a visa until you have been admitted to an education abroad program, but you should familiarize yourself with the application requirements as soon as you have decided on which country you would like to go to. Details on applying for or renewing a US passport and general information about visas can be found at the Center for Education Abroad website.

## International Students

Early planning is essential. Check now with the consulate of the country in which you would like to go in order to determine the visa requirements. Some countries may allow you to apply for a visa from the US while others may require you to apply in your home country. Note that applying from your home country may cause delays, risking not getting your visa in time. Normally you can apply for a visa after you've been admitted to the education abroad program and beginning 90 days prior to the program start date.

You will need to discuss your plans with an adviser in the International Services Office. Find out how to maintain your U.S. immigration status, including documentation requirements and travel permissions if you plan to go on an education abroad program for a semester or an academic year.

## Students with citizenship of more than one country

In some cases, holding multiple citizenships and passports may eliminate your need to acquire a visa for education abroad. In other cases, it may complicate the process; agreements between countries dictate the policies. It is essential that you seek detailed information from the consulate or embassy of the country in which you plan to go. Questions you should find answers to include, under which citizenship should you apply? To which consulate? If you are going to your second country prior to your education abroad country, under which citizenship should you enter?

## English language requirements

Some countries where English is the native language, such as the United Kingdom, Ireland, and Australia, may require proof of English language proficiency as part of the visa and/or university application requirement. In most cases, they will not take into consideration the fact that your university (or even your high school education) has taken place in the United States. Every country sets its own policies. In some cases, the English language requirements of the country in which you plan to go may differ from the requirements of the host university.

Some of the most common countries which require English language testing for speakers of other languages include Australia, Ireland, and the United Kingdom.

## Important notes about UK requirements

- Your English language exam results must have been taken no more than two years prior to your applying for your visa. If it has been more than two years, you will need to take another exam.
- For new exams, the UK no longer accepts the TOEFL. One acceptable exam is the IELTS.

For more information on IELTS, visit: [www.ielts.org](http://www.ielts.org)

*This information is correct as of October 2017 and is subject to change. It is your responsibility to determine the visa requirements of each country in a timely manner.*

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