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Study Abroad Eligibility Requirements

In general, students are eligible to study abroad beginning the summer after their first year of college. Students who have holds on their University of Arizona student account that prevent enrollment are ineligible for study abroad until the hold is cleared. Some programs may have additional eligibility requirements. Please see individual program listings for more information.

Note: Students must maintain eligibility even after being accepted into a study abroad program. Failure to maintain eligibility may result in the student being administratively removed from the study abroad program. Students who are administratively removed will be subject to the Withdrawal Policy that applies to their study abroad program, which may include financial liability.

REQUIREMENTS

GPA Requirement: Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 to study abroad. However, there are some programs that require a higher GPA. Each program webpage lists the program-specific GPA required for participation and applicants must meet that program-specific GPA requirement. If a University of Arizona GPA is not available, the GPA from a previous institution can be used.

Disciplinary Clearance: Study Abroad will work with the Dean of Students to determine eligibility for study abroad. Students currently charged with a violation of the Student Code of Conduct or those who have been found responsible for a violation with sanctions currently imposed will be evaluated for study abroad eligibility on a case-by-case basis. Students who become ineligible for disciplinary reasons will be administratively removed from the study abroad program and will be subject to the Study Abroad Withdrawal Policy.

Holds: Students must clear all holds on their account by working directly with the University of Arizona college or office issuing the hold. Holds prevent a student from being registered for courses and financial aid (if applicable) from being released. Study Abroad is not able to remove or override holds for students. Even after acceptance, students who cannot be registered by Study Abroad may not be permitted to participate in study abroad programs. Students with holds preventing enrollment will be administratively removed from the program prior to the 100% liability date and will be subject to the Study Abroad Withdrawal Policy.

Class Standing: In general, students may study abroad beginning the summer after their first year of college. Winter and Spring Break programs are open to second-semester freshmen that meet all other eligibility requirements. In addition, there may be other programs with specific requirements relating to class standing. These requirements will be outlined on the information page for each program.

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Full-time Status: Full-time enrollment during a study abroad program is required. The number of units required to obtain full-time status is **determined by program**, but typically follows the Academic Policies set forth by the University of Arizona. Only credit-bearing courses taken for a grade (including S, P, F grades) are counted toward minimum enrollment.

Minors: Occasionally, Study Abroad creates programs especially designed for minor participants. For all other Study Abroad programs students must be 18 by the program start date.

Non-UA Students: Non-degree-seeking students are welcome on University of Arizona Faculty-led programs but are ineligible for Arizona Abroad and Exchange programs through the University of Arizona. International non-degree seeking students must demonstrate English language proficiency as determined by the University of Arizona.

Graduating Students: U.S. undergraduate students can postpone graduation for one full semester or two summer sessions in order to participate in a U of A-sponsored Study Abroad program. Graduating students should work with their Academic Advisor to change their graduation until the completion of the program. Students who graduate before the start of their study abroad program may participate as non-degree seeking students.

International Students: International students are welcome to apply to study abroad programs. Your study abroad application will contain additional information to consider, and you will need to discuss your intent to study abroad with International Student Services to ensure that you maintain your immigration status.

Online and Distance Campus Students: Students from any Campus are eligible to study abroad. Students will remain enrolled in their home Campus for duration of their study abroad program. Students should talk with their Study Abroad Coordinator for more information about the application, enrollment and billing processes outside of Main Campus.