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Study Abroad

Why should I study abroad?

Studying abroad can be an enriching experience academically, personally, and professionally. Students that study abroad can gain a new global perspective on their field of study. Studying abroad is a chance to improve some soft skills that can appeal to employers: adapting to new surroundings, understanding different cultures, speaking other languages, and other skills.

Steps to study abroad:

1. Attend an information session hosted by the study abroad office
2. Schedule an advising appointment through the study abroad website
3. Research your options: locations, courses, and times
4. Meet with your academic advisor and the financial aid office
5. Apply to your selected program

Options

Studying abroad is typically associated with spending a semester or year overseas, but that does not have to be the case for everyone. Through OSU, students have the opportunity to go abroad with short-term faculty led trips, semester or yearlong programs, and even for a summer. There is also the option to study at a different university within the United States through the National Student Exchange program.

Myths

I cannot because I am an engineering major- FALSE. There are many opportunities for CEAT students to study abroad through various OSU programs.

Study abroad will delay my graduation- FALSE. It is possible to take courses towards your degree while spending a semester abroad. It is also possible to study abroad in the summer.

Studying abroad is professionally enriching- TRUE. Studying abroad will enhance your education, but also it will set you apart professionally.

Useful Contacts

OSU Study Abroad and National Student Exchange Office

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