

# Study Abroad Cheat Sheet

## Types of Programs

*Faculty-led:* Students travel abroad with Clemson faculty and take Clemson courses. Available during the summer and semester.

*Exchange:* A Clemson student attends a foreign university and a student from that university attends Clemson. Available during the semester or full academic year.

*Third Party:* Students apply to a Clemson-approved study abroad provider. Students enroll through the provider and take classes offered through the program. Available for the summer, semester or full academic year.

## Eligibility

*GPA:* A 2.5 GPA is recommended. If a student has below the minimum, the student will need to contact the Study Abroad Office before applying. Please note that some programs may require a higher GPA.

*Class standing:* Students are encouraged to have sophomore standing before studying abroad. Transfer students are encouraged to be on campus for at least a semester before studying abroad. Students are eligible to study abroad as a senior.

*37/43 Residency Policy Requirement:* This requirement can be waived for students who are studying abroad by completing the 37/43 Residency Policy Waiver Form.

## Costs

*\*Faculty-led:* All students pay in-state tuition while abroad and a program fee (generally covers housing, excursions, insurance, etc.) Additional costs may include airfare, some meals, and personal living expenses.

*\*Exchange:* All students pay in-state tuition, a study abroad fee, and Clemson study abroad insurance. Housing costs are paid to the university abroad. Additional costs may include airfare, meals, and personal living expenses.

*Third party:* Students pay the Clemson study abroad fee and Clemson study abroad insurance. Program fees are paid directly to the third party provider (generally covers tuition, housing expenses, and sometimes meals.) Additional costs may include airfare, meals, and personal living expenses.

*Study Abroad Fee:* The study abroad fee is currently \$654/semester or \$300/summer.

*Insurance:* All students are required to purchase Clemson study abroad insurance at a cost of \$36/month.

*\*ALL students pay in-state tuition while abroad on a faculty-led or exchange program.*

## **Financial Aid**

For information regarding financial aid and scholarships for study abroad, contact Gail Woods in the Financial Aid department (864-656-5087).

## **Scholarships**

There are many additional study abroad scholarships available to students. Visit the study abroad website for more information on requirements and application deadlines.

## **Enrollment at Clemson**

Students will still be enrolled as Clemson students while abroad. Students participating in a faculty-led program will be enrolled in Clemson courses. Students attending an exchange program will be enrolled in SAP 1010, and students attending a third party program will be enrolled in TSAP 1010.

## **Cross Cultural Awareness**

The cross-cultural awareness requirement can be fulfilled through an abroad experience. Students must be abroad for at least 4 weeks to be eligible for enrollment in IS 1010. IS 1010 is a zero credit hour, pass/fail course, and successful completion of this course fulfills the cross cultural awareness requirement. Students can enroll in IS 1010 the semester after going abroad.

## **Getting Started**

*Step 1:* Students attend a Study Abroad 101 session to learn about study abroad opportunities. After attending a Study Abroad 101, students can set up an appointment to meet with a Study Abroad Advisor to talk further about their selected program. Appointments can be made online through the study abroad website.

*Step 2:* Students complete the Clemson study abroad application. Students applying for a faculty-led program will need to turn in a program deposit with their application. Students applying for an exchange or third party will need to complete a second application for the exchange or third party program as well.

*Step 3:* Students who receive financial aid should meet with Gail Woods in the Financial Aid Office to discuss using aid abroad.

*Step 4:* Students applying for an exchange or third party program complete the Work to be Taken Abroad form to determine Clemson course equivalencies for courses taken abroad.

*Step 5:* Students submit the following documents to the study abroad office: passport copy, flight itinerary, and the Clemson study abroad insurance form.

## **Visas**

Some programs require students to have a visa to participate. Students should contact the study abroad office regarding any questions about student visas before going abroad.