

Office of Study Abroad

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Resource Center Hours

Monday – Friday, 10:00 am – 4:30 pm

Advising Walk-in Hours

Monday – Friday, 2:00 pm – 3:30 pm

An Introduction to Study Abroad

The mission of the Office of Study Abroad at Johns Hopkins University is to promote, support and develop international programs that foster creativity, discovery and excellence in undergraduate education. These international programs are developed and evaluated in collaboration with the faculty and deans of the Zanvyl Krieger School of Arts and Sciences and the Whiting School of Engineering to ensure that they complement the Hopkins curriculum, promote intercultural competencies, and encourage students to reflect on their values, identities, and roles as world citizens.

How do I get started?

- What is my motivation for studying abroad? Mastery of a language? Courses to satisfy requirements? Work/research experience? Career building? Immersion in a new culture?
- What type of experience do I want? Is there a country/region of particular interest to me? A university or a small program? Urban or a rural experience? How long do I want to be abroad?
- What skills do I have that prepare me for a program abroad? Language proficiency? Coursework or experience for an internship/research project? How do I adapt to new environments? How much support do I need from administrators, friends, and family?

When can I go?

- Programs are available during intersession, summers, semesters, and year.
- Students in good academic standing may participate in summer and intersession programs.
- Juniors and first semester seniors who have required eligibility (varies) may go for a semester or academic year. In some cases, students may go abroad during the second semester of their sophomore year. Students may earn up to 30 credits for studying abroad.

How do I get information about study abroad?

Students may participate in Hopkins sponsored programs abroad or in external programs offered by other universities or organizations that meet JHU criteria.

- In the Office of Study Abroad you will find an extensive resource library, computers and advisors available to help you start your search. Student evaluations of programs abroad are available for you to read. Information sessions on various programs abroad are held regularly.

- Dr. Lori Citti, the Director of the Office of Study Abroad, will help you assess how well a program will meet your academic and personal interests and help direct your search. This is a mandatory step in the process.
- A new study abroad website will be launched shortly, but until then you can access the materials available on the old website at www.advising.jhu.edu/StAbd.htm.
Some policies, procedures, and programs posted on the Study Abroad Website have changed. Please check with the Office of Study Abroad for updated information.

What are the costs?

The Office of Study Abroad has developed a financial worksheet to assist you and your parents in calculating all expenses associated with an academic program abroad.

- You will be billed the cost of the program and a study abroad fee (10% of the Hopkins tuition for each semester abroad). Payments are made directly to Johns Hopkins University through Student Accounts.
- Some Hopkins-Sponsored programs also charge housing fees, which will appear on the account.
- Federal, state and institutional aid is fully transferable to study abroad programs.

How do I apply for a Study Abroad Program?

Hopkins has a dual application process. You must complete a Hopkins application, a program application and return the completed materials to the Study Abroad office.

Forms include:

- Hopkins Application Form
- Course Approval Form with signatures of your faculty advisor, language department (if relevant) and Dean of Students.
- Request for Permission to Study Abroad Form
- Liability and Waiver Form
- Program Application
- Home School Advisor Approval Form
- Acceptance Letter (provided by the program)

What do I do when I return?

- Share your thoughts and insights about your experiences by completing a program evaluation in the Office of Study Abroad.
- The Office of Study Abroad will inform you when your transcript arrives and give you instructions tailored to your needs.
- Join the Office of Study Abroad at special events, workshops and orientations!