Study Abroad

Michelle Moy, AHS, Kunming, China

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Where can you study?

The UIC Study Abroad Office offers both short and long-term study abroad programs all over the world for which students can earn UIC credit towards graduation while taking courses in both English and/or the host country language. Students from all majors and colleges are encouraged to pursue study abroad to complement their studies.

87 locations
48 countries
6 continents
and counting...

“Studying abroad gives students the opportunity to not only experience the country, people, and culture which they’re visiting, but it also gives them the opportunity to practice independence while building upon many other aspects of self-development that stems from being plucked from one’s daily routines and normal surroundings. Studying abroad is freedom.”

Nitsaniyah Fitch, Public Policy, CUPPA, Geneva, Switzerland, Hangzhou, China

Find the program for you using our program search:

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Why Study Abroad?

Study abroad can greatly enhance your UIC experience. It plays a key role in defining and complementing your academic and professional goals through internationally-focused coursework, internship placements, research opportunities, and engagement with the global community.

PERSONAL BENEFITS
• Explore your identities and reflect personally
• Increase self-confidence and a sense of independence
• Become more open-minded, resilient, and flexible
• Gain new perspectives and discover new interests and passions
• Interact with diverse perspectives and form cross-cultural relationships

PROFESSIONAL BENEFITS
• Develop transferable skills such as leadership, communication, global fluency, and critical thinking
• Expand your professional network
• Enhance your resume with real-world work experience
• Stand out among your peers in the job market – only 10% of U.S. undergraduates study abroad

ACADEMIC BENEFITS
• Earn UIC credit towards graduation while studying in another country
• Add an international and comparative dimension to your area of study
• Take courses taught by local professors and practitioners in the field and engage in inquiry and research at internationally-recognized universities
• Expand your understanding of world issues through diverse perspectives and experiential learning opportunities

The reasons to study abroad are limitless! Schedule an appointment with an advisor to discuss how study abroad will benefit your personal growth!

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My study abroad experience taught me that there are more opportunities in the profession I was looking at than I had realized. I went to Sweden to study Positive Psychology and I left feeling very reassured that there were many possibilities and routes that I could eventually go into later on.

Christy Tran, Biology, LAS, Stockholm, Sweden

Study Abroad taught me how to be more adventurous and in some ways fearless. It helped me get out of my comfort zone, where I was able to meet new people, make connections, and see one-of-a-kind sights and experiences!

Edith Mendez, Art Education, CADA, Oaxaca, Mexico

My study abroad program required students to complete a research project with expert interviews. I conducted my research on institutionalized Islamophobia in China and India, and what this implies for human rights protections of Muslims in these countries. This was my first time conducting research at a university level. Not only did I educate myself on global Islamophobia, but I practiced doing research which will be useful for my Honors Capstone.

Hannah Ellis, French & Francophone Studies and Political Science, Honors, Geneva, Switzerland

One thing that I learned was that studying abroad is both exciting and scary at the same time, but it offers you an unparalleled opportunity to grow as a person and gain a deeper insight into the world around you.

Kayla Minor, Rehabilitation Sciences, AHS, Paris, France
Funding Study Abroad

Many study abroad programs are comparable in price to the cost of attendance at UIC. Program costs for study abroad vary based on location, duration, and program model. Meet with an SAO Advisor to learn more about options for funding the study abroad program of your choice. Study abroad is an investment in your future; the money and time you invest now into your global learning will have lasting impacts.

“Study abroad experiences are once in a lifetime opportunities to discover the world around you and oneself. There are few moments in one’s life when one can go to another country for a large period of time and have resources to help finance these experiences.”

Zuriel Trejo, Management, CBA, Sydney, Australia, Shanghai, China, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

How will I fund my study abroad program?

Financial aid can be applied towards your study abroad program

UIC students earned over $1 million in scholarships and grants in a single academic year

Participate in community-based fundraising to support your international goals

Are there scholarships available for Pell recipients?

Pell recipients are eligible to apply for funding via the Gilman International Scholarship along with many other funding opportunities. The SAO provides application workshops and coaching to make applicants more competitive.

Find funding now at go.uic.edu/FundMyAbroad
To learn more about study abroad at UIC including program locations, credit, coursework, scholarships, and financial aid please connect with the Study Abroad Office.

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studyabroad.uic.edu

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