What is study abroad?

An **academic experience** in which students live abroad for a term to take coursework, conduct research, or complete internships that applies to their DU career.
Did You Know?

- 73% of undergraduate students study abroad at DU!
  (consistently a top 10 sending school in the US by percentage pre-COVID)
- 100+ approved programs
Benefits of Study Abroad

• Introduction to exciting new ways of seeing & knowing

• Chance to pursue special academic interests in a fresh context (incl. homestays, service learning, experiential learning, & internships)

• Develop an international perspective of your field & career path

• Opportunity to explore another region's history, society & culture in-depth

• Increase language fluency
Students say they get...

98% Better understanding of own cultural values & bias
96% Increased self-confidence
75% Skills that influence their career path
97% Higher maturity level

Source: iesabroad.org/study-abroad/why/alumni-survey-results
Myths About Study Abroad
Study abroad is too expensive, I can’t afford it.

**MYTH**

- **PROGRAM COSTS**
  - DU tuition
  - DU housing
  - DU billing

- **COST OF LIVING**
- **FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES**
Cherrington Global Scholars

Benefit to help off-set costs associated with studying abroad
I don't speak another language, so I can't study abroad.

There are 13 possible languages of instruction, including English.
I can’t fit study abroad into my academic plan or it will delay my graduation.
MYTH

Studying abroad is too dangerous.
There is no value in studying abroad. Employers won’t care that I studied abroad.
STUDYING ABROAD
FOR DU STUDENTS
**Program Types**

- **Exchange Programs** - reciprocal relationships w/ international universities
- **Direct-Enroll Programs** - take classes w/ local students and work with the institution directly
- **Provider Programs** - US organizations that work between the institution and DU; take courses w/ international students
- **Global Masters Scholars** - 5-year undergrad & grad program, study abroad for 2 years
- **Other considerations**: Internships, Service Learning, Research
When to Study Abroad

- Most students choose to study abroad Fall Quarter of their Junior year.
- Study abroad is possible during Sophomore and Senior years.
- Start talking to your professors and advisors about study abroad as soon as you arrive to DU!
WHEN TO STUDY ABROAD

Students can go abroad for varying lengths of time:

• Quarter
  • fall, winter, and/or spring quarter
  • summer

• Semester

• FULL Academic Year

• 2 Years
  • Global Masters Program

• Short-Term Options (interterm, faculty led)
Global Citizenship Courses

- INTZ 2501 is a required prerequisite course for all students going abroad
  - Learn skills they need to be successful abroad
  - Gain independence, confidence, self-advocacy skills, resilience
- INTZ 2502 is an optional study abroad follow up course students take while abroad
- INTZ 2503 is an optional follow up course students take after they return from their study abroad
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