# **Advising for Study Abroad**







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# Types of Programs

#### Faculty-Led/Faculty-Directed Programs

- UM faculty-led or academically-directed
- Short-term (approximately 2 weeks)
- Winter, Spring Break, Summer

#### **Exchange Programs**

Tuition is the same as UM tuition, usually the most cost-effective option

#### Affiliate Programs

Variety of benefits but cost may be prohibitive for MS residents



### Why study abroad?



- Employers value the skills learned from studying in another culture
  - Intercultural communication skills
  - Language skills
  - Independence
  - Financial responsibility
  - Confidence
  - Empathy
- Increased interest in program of study based on experiential learning overseas
- Varied college experience
- International internships = international work experience
- More direct contact with faculty
- And for UM Flagship Forward Goal to educate and engage global citizens.

### Coaching A Prospective Student through the Study Abroad Lifecycle

#### **Deadlines**

Winter, Spring: Early October Summer, Fall: Early March

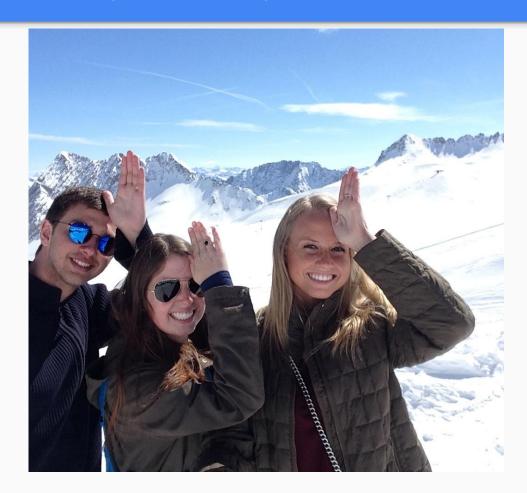
Some programs and scholarships have earlier deadlines!

#### **Examining the Degree Plan**

- Discuss study abroad opportunities early and often
- Recommend "saving" general education requirements or upper-level electives
- Discuss courses that must be taken at UM
- Recommend a Study Abroad 101 Session and meeting with a study abroad advisor
- Incorporate study abroad on the degree worksheet

#### **Requirements for Study Abroad**

- Good academic and disciplinary standing
- 2.0 baseline but many require a 2.5 (Study Abroad reviews GPAs)



### Example Degree Requirements Incorporating Study Abroad

#### School of Journalism and New Media

#### Bachelor of Arts in Journalism (News-Editorial/Print and Broadcast Journalism Emphasis)

	COURSE DESCRIPTION		CLASS	CREDITS	X CHECK IF GRADE
Writing and Literature 12 hours	Writing: (6 hours) Writ 100 – Intro to College Writing OR Writ 101 – First-Year Writing I and Writ 102 – First Year Writing II OR Liba 102 – First Year Seminar (Writ 100 or 101 are pre-requisites for Writ 102 and Liba 102)	Writ 100 OR 101 (3 hours)			
		Writ 102 or Liba 102 (3 hours)			
	English Literature: (6 hours) Eng 221 – World Lit., Eng 222 – World Lit., Eng 223 – American Lit, Eng 224 – American Lit, Eng 225 – British Lit., Eng 226 – British Lit. Advanced Eng/Writ classes will not count.	Eng (3 hours)			
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Foreign Language 6 hours at 200+ or above*	All 6 of these hours must be at the 200 level or above. *Students are required to fulfill any/all prerequisites before enrolling in 200-level course work. Starting at the 100-level will result in the need to take a total of 12 hours of language.	101 or 111 (pre-req)			
		102 (pre-req)			
		OR 121 (pre-req) AND			
		201 OR 211			
		202			
Humanities 3 hours	African American Studies (Aas), Classical Civilization (Clc), Philosophy (Phil), Religion (Rel), Southern Studies (S St) 101, 102, University Honors (Hon) 101, 102, Gender Studies (G St) 103, 201, 311, 390	Humanities (3 hours)			
Social Science 3 hours	Choose one I from the following: Anthropology (Anth), Economics (Econ), Psychology (Psy), Political Science (Pol), Sociology (Soc)	Social Science (3 hours)			
Pol 101 REQUIRED	Intro to American Politics (required for all Journalism majors).	Pol 101			
Math: 3 hours	Recommend: Math 115— Elementary Statistics, Math 120—Quantitative Reasoning, or Math 121—College Algebra	Mathematics			
History	The Department of History recommends HST 120—Intro to European History to 1648, HST 121—Intro to European History since 1648, HST 130—Intro to US History to 1877, or HST 131—Intro to US History since 1877. Students with less than 24 hours are not permitted to take 300+ level history courses.	HST			
6 hours		HST			
Science 9-11 hours	Two of the three required science courses must have labs and be chosen from the following: Astronomy (cannot take both Astr 101 AND Astr 103 to satisfy degree requirements; may take one or the other.), Physics (Phys), Physical Science (Phys), Biology (Bisc), Chemistry (CANNOT TAKE CHEM 101), Geology (Geol) (cannot take both Geol 101 and 104 to satisfy degree requirement; other Geol combinations are OK.), Integrated Science (Liba 150, Liba 151)	Science (9-11 hours)			
		Science w/lab			
		Science w/lab			
		Science w/o lab			
Fine Arts 3 hours	Art History (any AH course); Mus 101, 102, 103, 104, 105 (Mus 103 and 104 are general appreciation courses); Dance (Danc) 200; Theater (Thea) 201, 202; Liba 130—Intro to Fine Arts	Fine Arts (3 hours)			
Diversity REQUIRED 3 hours	This course must be in addition to any course used to fulfill the humanities requirement from the following: African American Studies (Aas) (any course), Gender Studies (G St) (any course), Anthropology (Anth 101, 303), Southern Studies (must take either S St 303 or 402), Religious Studies (Rel) (any course), Sociology (Soc 313, 325, 413), International Studies (any course), Digital Diversity (Jour 345), The Press and the Changing South (Jour 513). Hours earned from study abroad experiences may fulfill the diversity course requirement.	Diversity Requirement (3 hours)			

# Myths About Study Abroad

#### Foreign language is not required

- Most programs offer courses in English

#### **Financial Aid and Scholarships Apply**

 Additional scholarships are available (Gilman, Freeman-Asia, DAAD, JASSO).
 Airfare can be billed to the Bursar Account.

#### **Resident Credit Earned on All UM Programs**

 Last 15 hour residency requirement does not apply (UM programs are resident credit)



### **Course Approval Process**

- Students earn graded (A-F), resident credit
- Based on course approvals by department and dean's office obtained prior to departure
- Course selection may change after arrival; in this case students may email for approval.

#### Note:

UM 1XX, 2XX, etc. (or any Course 1XX) are <u>not</u> transferable course approvals. These appear on the UM transcript as GLS 111, GLS 311, or GLS 511 with a note on the memo from Study Abroad about how the courses count toward the degree, adding an additional step for the dean's office and student when applying for graduation.

Consider adding a **resident**, **variable credit hour** "Topics in XXX Abroad" to your department catalog for elective credits to more accurately reflect the coursework taken abroad.

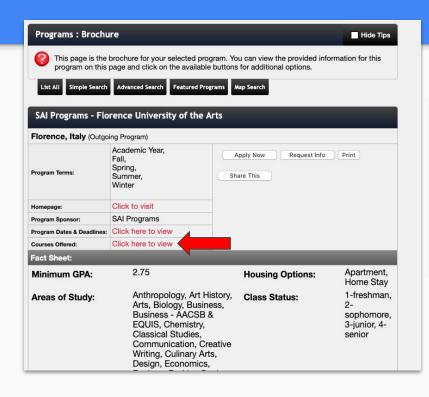
#### **Student Responsibility**

- Obtaining course descriptions or syllabi for desired courses
- Obtaining signatures using the Course Approval Form
- Turning in the original form to Study Abroad prior to departure
- Obtaining approval from the department and dean's office if any changes are made
- Ensuring that transcripts are sent directly to the Study Abroad Office

#### **Study Abroad Office Responsibility**

- Keeping all course approvals in the student's study abroad account
- Processing the transcript upon receipt (using GLS 111 for any unapproved courses)

# Database Creation for Pre-Approved Courses







## Q&A from Advisors

- Students can study abroad beginning their freshman year (winter)
- No limit on the number of programs in which a student can participate
- Students studying abroad their last semester of senior year, who need the credits to graduate, may have their graduation delayed
  - Discuss with student that it is possible, but graduation date cannot be guaranteed