



Financial Aid Study Abroad Checklist

___ Apply for a FSA ID online at www.fsaaid.ed.gov. You and your parents will need to apply unless you are an independent student. The FSA ID will be needed to electronically sign your FAFSA.

___ Federal regulations limit federal financial aid to no more than two semesters of study abroad or exchange at participating foreign universities or programs. Federal regulations mandate that no more than 25% of a student's educational program or coursework be provided by a foreign university. All credit from foreign institutions accepted as credit toward the degree is counted in this two semester limit.

___ Since most Federal Direct Subsidized, Unsubsidized, Plus, and Private loans are disbursed via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) to Texas Tech University, all study abroad students are required to have their refund setup through direct deposit via Student Business Services. You will need to submit this information online through your my Tech Account at www.raiderlink.ttu.edu and select Student Business Services and My Direct Deposit.

___ Check with the Study Abroad Office for scholarships and deadlines.

___ Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>. List Texas Tech's federal school code (003644) on the application. You are applying for all federal, institutional, and state aid programs by filling out the FAFSA.

___ You can view your financial aid awards online by logging on through Raiderlink at www.raiderlink.ttu.edu. Click on Financial Aid Information. Keep in mind that you may need to web accept some of your financial aid awards online and complete additional requested information before funds may be disbursed.

___ If the financial aid awarded does not cover the program cost, you may want to apply for a Private, College Access, or a Parent Plus Loan. Please go to www.depts.ttu.edu/financialaid and click on Types of Aid for additional information and instructions on how to apply for these loans.

___ If you are receiving a merit scholarship, please check with the Scholarship office, 806-742-3144. Some scholarships cannot be used for study abroad.

___ For summer financial aid, you must be enrolled in at least 6 credit hours. These hours may be split between Summer-I/Summer-II or all in one Summer term. Summer financial aid is based on the current year FAFSA application.

