Why Study Abroad?

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Opportunity to Travel.
Weekends and academic breaks allow students the opportunity to travel and explore their surroundings. Since studying abroad typically puts them on a completely different continent, they are much closer to places they might otherwise not have had the opportunity to visit.

Learn about themselves.
Students who study abroad return home with new ideas and perspectives about themselves and their own culture. The experience abroad often challenges them to reconsider their own beliefs and values. The encounter with other cultures also enables students to see their own culture through new eyes.

Develop skills and gain experiences that a classroom setting will never provide.
Being immersed in an entirely new cultural setting is scary at first, but it’s also exciting. It’s an opportunity to discover new strengths and abilities, conquer new challenges, and solve new problems.

Enhances employment opportunities.
An employer’s eyes, a student who has studied abroad is seen as self-motivated, willing to embrace challenges, and able to cope with diverse problems and situations. A student’s experience living and studying in a foreign country, negotiating another culture, and possibly acquiring another language will all help to set them apart from other job applicants.

Get to know another culture first-hand.
Cultural differences are more than just differences in language, food, appearances, and personal habits. A person’s culture reflects very deep perceptions, beliefs, and values that influence his or her way of life and the way that she views the world. Students who experience cultural differences can truly understand other cultures’ roots and beliefs.

Network and make connections around the world.
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Expands a student’s general understanding of the world.
In comparison with citizens of most other countries, Americans tend to be unfamiliar with the trials and triumphs beyond U.S. boundaries. Students who study abroad return home with an informed and much less biased perspective toward other cultures and peoples.
busting the study abroad myths

 Myth #1
Study abroad costs too much.

FACT: Study abroad can be affordable. The cost varies depending on the type and location of the program, the length of the stay, and whether the program is administered through the university or an outside organization. A program can be significantly less expensive, more or about the same as a semester at Texas Tech. Some study abroad programs – especially those in developing countries – can actually be less expensive than tuition and fees for the equivalent amount on home ground. Financial aid should also be transferable as long as the home institution accepts the transfer credits.

 Myth #2
Study abroad is all about partying and having fun.

FACT: It’s about studying, learning to be an independent life-style. Although it should be fun, it’s important to understand that you will challenge yourself academically and have an impact on their academic career. Students will learn about different educational systems and ways of teaching. They will find themselves exploring new cultures and beliefs once they’ve had a chance to experience an environment different from what they’re used to.

 Myth #3
Study abroad is only for language and international business majors.

FACT: All subjects can be taught through a global lens. Study abroad is relevant to all students, and students in every field will benefit from a global experience.

 Myth #4
It is not possible to complete degree requirements while studying abroad.

FACT: Many students are able to earn credit toward their major while studying abroad. Regulations vary by major, college, and curriculum. Some departments are stricter in their specific requirements, but other departments offer some flexibility in their coursework. With a large variety of programs, there may be one or several programs that provide courses that fulfill requirements in a specific major or curriculum. If you have questions, please speak with your study abroad advisor.

 Myth #5
Students only study abroad in Europe.

FACT: Students study abroad in every country in the world. Although almost 60 percent of students studied in the U.K., Italy, France and Spain in recent years, this number has been decreasing over the past few years, and the number of students studying in the top 10 destinations are outside of Europe: China, Brazil, India, Turkey, Mexico, Vietnam, Russia, Korea and Australia.

 Myth #6
It’s safer to stay in the U.S.

FACT: Though traveling abroad requires a degree of caution, a trip overseas is by no means certain danger. Study abroad offers informed study of health and safety issues before departure and provides strict guidelines and procedures to ensure student safety. To learn about a country’s current political situation and health conditions, visit the U.S. State Department Travel site at http://travel.state.gov/). Study abroad programs closely monitor our programs and maintain established health and safety events. All programs and cities are thoroughly researched before students are permitted to apply.

 Myth #7
There aren’t many scholarships available for study abroad.

FACT: There are hundreds and hundreds of study abroad scholarships available for merit, financial need and even specialties. Most colleges have a list of scholarships for students interested in study abroad, and many institutions offer funding for students with local students, and honors language study abroad. Some students choose to study abroad with local friends or a host family, seek new perspectives and interesting new cultures while saving the big bucks. Students will learn more about themselves and others.

 Myth #8
Traveling independently offers the same experience.

FACT: Studying abroad includes “studying,” whereas traveling does not. Traveling and touring are added extras to studying abroad, but they should not overshadow the academic purpose of studying abroad, which is studying and living in a new culture. It is important to work closely with local friends or a host family, will offer much deeper insight into the local culture. Rather than leaving town every weekend, students should explore their host community and spend time getting to know the local neighborhood, not just the big sights. Students will learn more about themselves and others.

 Myth #9
Studying abroad will delay graduation.

FACT: If students plan ahead and make sure their credits travel, there’s no reason graduation will be delayed. In fact, research shows that four-year graduation rates for students who studied abroad are 1.8 percent higher than those who stayed at home. Study abroad students return with a reinvigorated interest in academic pursuits and a renewed passion for lifelong learning. Some students plan on entering a year early and are academically graduated in less than four years because of the accelerated classes they took while abroad.

 Myth #10
Potential employers don’t value study abroad.

FACT: Employers increasingly want workers who can work cross-culturally and speak another language. Study abroad is one of the best ways (often the only way) for students to acquire marketable international qualifications, cross-cultural competency and proficiency in a second language. In addition to valuing the soft skills acquired while spending time abroad, organizations will also look for workers who can collaborate with people from different cultural backgrounds. But just taking study abroad on a resume or in a cover letter won’t cut it. Students must translate their study abroad experiences into a way that will appeal to potential employers. Organizations will want to know what an applicant did and learned while abroad — and how that experience can be brought to bear in the job search.
Top destinations for Rawls Students in 2014

EXCLUDING FACULTY-LED PROGRAMS

Italy 32%
Spain 15.5%
United Kingdom 11.7%
Czech Republic 7.8%
Germany 6.8%
Australia 5.8%
France 4.3%

other popular destinations
ARGENTINA  AUSTRIA  BRAZIL  CHILE  CHINA  COSTA RICA  IRELAND
JAPAN  NEW ZEALAND  NORWAY  TURKEY  UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

what majors?
MARKETING
ACCOUNTING
ENERGY COMMERCE
INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS
MANAGEMENT
FINANCE

what majors?
GENERAL BUSINESS
MBA
MANAGEMENT INFO SYSTEMS
GENERAL BUSINESS
FINANCE
MARKETING
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ACCOUNTING
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a business student’s guide to study abroad
explore. dream. discover.
ACCOUNTING IN ROME

ROME, ITALY

Don’t pass up the opportunity to take your Managerial Accounting course in the city with the world’s most beloved landmarks, monuments, and museums, not to mention the food! This program will combine classroom learning, company visits, cultural activities, and excursions to give students a deeper understanding of the world, as well as complete one of your core business classes.

Program Highlights:
- Explore historic Rome
- Excursion to Florence
- Various cultural activities
- Company Visits

On location in Rome:
Rome is the capital of Italy and the largest city in Italy. It’s also home to the Vatican City State. Rome is a bustling metropolis that offers students an enormous wealth of history, culture and international influence at their fingertips. Rome is perfect for students who want to be in a diverse Italian city, with easy access to travel in and around Italy and Europe. With its many neighborhoods and sprawling historical sites, Rome gives you a sense of being in a small town, despite the fact of being home to almost 3 million people.

Program Dates:
- Summer I – May 18th – June 25th (*tentative dates)

Courses Offered:
- ACCT 2301 – Managerial Accounting

Housing:
Students will stay in student residences

For more information:
Contact the Center for Global Engagement – 806.742.2941 - www.rawlsabroad.com

“From the classroom, to company visits, and the experience of a foreign country, study abroad offers the complete package. It’s an opportunity unlike any other.”

Brett Hartig, Energy Commerce
This program, held at Buskerud University College in Norway, is the Rawls College of Business’s longest running faculty-led program.

Program Highlights:
- Top Rawls FLP since 2001
- Diverse classroom and social experience with students from Texas Tech, Scandinavia, and Europe.
- “Norway in a Nutshell” group trip
- 2nd Group excursion (possible options: Stockholm, Cruise to Copenhagen, Denmark, Trip to Krakow, Poland)
- Company Visits
- Week off at the end of the program for student travel
- Option to receive the Rawls International Business Certificate *see CGE advisor for details

On location in Norway:
Honefoss is a town in Buskerud county, Norway, and the center of the municipality of Ringerike. It is located 63 kilometers from the Norwegian capital of Oslo. The city has easy access to lakes, beaches, rivers and mountains, ensuring a wonderful experience for all students.

Program Dates: Summer I - May 22nd – June 30th (*based on 2015 program)

Courses Offered:
- MKT 4358 – International Marketing
- MGT 4375 – International Management

Housing:
Student dormitories with fully furnished kitchenette

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Prague rests along the banks of the Vltava River, and has been the political, cultural, and economics hot-spot of Central and Eastern Europe for over 1000 years. With over 1.2 million local inhabitants in the city proper and a constant flow of international travelers exploring the city, Prague is a bustling capital of global importance.

Program Highlights:
- Top Rawls FLP since 2006
- Numerous cultural activities & excursions
- Walking tour of Prague
- Group trip to Krakow, Poland
- Week off during program for student travel

On location in Prague:
Prague is known as the city of towers and is one of the most prized cities in Europe. Centrally located and rich in history, Prague is the perfect place to spend your summer. The city boasts more than ten major museums, along with numerous theaters, galleries, cinemas, and other historical exhibits.

Program Dates: Summer I - May 29th – June 28th (*Based on 2015 program)

Courses Offered:
- ACCT 3307/5311 – Tax Accounting
- MGT 4384/5374 – International Negotiation (*course subject to change)

Housing:
Students will be housed in centrally located student apartments.

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BUSINESS LAW IN ITALY

Florence, Italy: Don’t pass up the opportunity to take your Business Law course in one of the most beloved cities in Italy! This program will combine classroom learning, company visits, cultural activities, and excursions to give students a deeper understanding of the world as well as complete one of your core business classes.

Program Highlights:
• Guided walking tour of Florence
• Excursion to Venice
• Excursion to Milan
• Company Visits

On Location in Florence:
Florence, one of the most popular travel cities in Italy, has many impressive sights and attractions. A Renaissance city in the heart of Tuscany, Florence has some of Italy’s best museums, beautiful cathedrals and churches, and interesting streets and squares with elegant buildings and shops. The Duomo Cathedral is a beautiful sight to see and gives you the daunting task to take the stairs to the very top of the building with an extraordinary 360 view of the city of Florence.

Program Dates:
Maymester - May 16th – June 1st (*tentative dates)

Courses Offered:
BLAW 3391 – Business Law I

Housing:
Students will stay in 3 and 4 star hotels

For more information:
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New Location in 2016!

Program Highlights:
• Excursion to Figueras & Girona
• Excursion to Montserrat
• Various cultural activities: tapas workshop, catamaran experience, etc.
• Company visits

On location in Barcelona:
Easily the most cosmopolitan city in Spain, Barcelona is a cultural melting pot with something to offer everyone who visits. Alive with music, art, food, literature and architecture, the city thrives during both the day and night all year long. Barcelona is situated geographically to provide both beautiful beaches and nearby mountains for hiking.

Program Dates:
Summer I - June 1st – June 30th (*Based on 2015 program)

Course Offered:
ISQS 3344 – Production and Operations Management

Housing:
Students will stay in shared apartments with a fully equipped kitchen

For more information:
Contact the Center for Global Engagement – 806.742.2041 – www.rawlsabroad.com

Business Law in Spain

BARCELONA, SPAIN

Barcelona is an enchanting city with boundless culture, famed architecture, and a world-class dining scene. Don’t miss out on the opportunity to take your Production and Operations Management course in this beautiful coastal city. This program will combine classroom learning, company visits, various cultural activities, and excursions to give students a deeper understanding of the world as well as complete one of your core business classes.

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CROSS-CULTURAL MANAGEMENT IN EUROPE

A 10 day traveling study abroad program in Brussels, Belgium; Frankfurt, Germany and London, England, focusing on cross-cultural management. This program will enable students to delve into three of the most historical hubs in all of Europe. Each city will offer its own unique take on cross-cultural components that are vital in the success of today’s global managers.

Program Highlights:
• Walking tour of Frankfurt
• Visit to the Mission of the USA in Brussels
• Guided tour of London
• Company Visits
• Access to Spring semester financial aid

FINANCE IN FRANCE

With its unusual mix of real-city grit, old-world opulence, year-round sunshine and exceptional location, Nice’s appeal is universal. Don’t pass up the opportunity to take your Financial Management course in one of the most legendary cities in France! This program will combine classroom learning, company visits, cultural activities, and excursions to give students a deeper understanding of the world as well as complete one of your core business classes.

Program Highlights:
• Guided walking tour of Nice
• Weekday excursion to Paris
• Excursion to Cannes and Saint Paul-de-Vence
• Company Visits

On location in Nice:
The city of Nice is located on the French Riviera in Provence-Alpes-Côte d’Azur. Blessed by a sunny, temperate climate, Nice attracts visitors from around the world. Among its many attractions are its beautiful beaches, lovely seaside promenade, interesting museums, famous city landmarks and other tourist attractions.

Program Dates:
Summer II – July 8th – August 12th (*tentative dates)
Courses Offered:
FIN 3320 – Financial Management
Housing:
Students will stay in shared apartments
For more information:
Contact the Center for Global Engagement – 806.742.2041 - rawlsabroad.com

Program Dates:
Intersession – January 5th – January 15th (*tentative dates)
Courses Offered:
MGT 4381 – Special Problems in MGT: Cross-Cultural Management
Housing:
Students will stay in 3-star hotels
For more information:
Contact the Center for Global Engagement – 806.742.2041, www.rawlsabroad.com

Studying abroad has greatly changed the person I am. Because of this experience, I have become passionate about traveling and have a desire to learn about and emerge myself into new cultures.
Samantha Bellantone, Richmond, the American International University London, UK
Dublin is the capital city of Ireland. Its vibrancy, nightlife and tourist attractions are renowned and it is the most popular entry point for international visitors to Ireland. Don't pass up the opportunity to take your Introduction to Marketing and/or Organization and Management course(s) in one of the most historic cities in Europe! This program will combine classroom learning, company visits, cultural activities, and excursions to give students a deeper understanding of the world as well as complete one (or two) of your core business classes.

Program Highlights:
• Guided walking tour of Dublin
• Weekend excursion to Belfast
• Excursion to Galway
• Company Visits

On location in Dublin:
Thousands of years of Irish culture meet modern charm in Ireland’s capital city. Dublin has become a center of high-tech industry and learning, but it still maintains a sense of its historical past. With just over one million inhabitants, this small capital provides the amenities of a much larger city - from fantastic shopping avenues and renowned restaurants to diverse cultural edifices.

Program Dates:
Summer II – July 10th – August 12th (*tentative dates)

Courses Offered:
MKT 3350 – Introduction to Marketing
MGT 3370 – Organization and Management

Housing:
Students will stay in shared apartments

For more information:
Contact the Center for Global Engagement – 806.742.2041 - www.rawlsabroad.com

GLOBAL ENERGY PERSPECTIVES
NEW IN 2016!

A 22 day study abroad program in London, Paris, Brussels and Vienna focusing on global perspectives with regards to history of energy development, energy policy, energy security and geopolitics. Led by Texas Tech Energy Commerce faculty member.

Program Highlights:
• Guided tour of London on a double-decker bus
• Free time to explore Paris including Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame Cathedral, Arc de Triomphe, etc.
• Visit to headquarters of OPEC and OFID in Vienna

Program Dates: (*based on 2015 program)
• London – May 16 – 23
• Paris – May 24-27
• Brussels – May 28 – June 2
• Vienna – June 3 – June 6

Courses Offered:
ENCO 4325 – Global Energy Perspectives

Housing:
Students will stay in 3 and 4 star hotels

For more information:
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An exchange program offers students an amazing opportunity to study at foreign university during a semester or academic year. Currently Texas Tech has exchange programs with over 100 of the world’s most respected universities, giving our students access to some of the most renowned classrooms, research facilities, and professors in the world. Exchange programs are a great match for many students because:

• You can take courses in English or develop your foreign language skills
• You can enroll in courses abroad that will count toward your major and other degree requirements
• You pay Texas Tech tuition, regardless of the school or location you attend

**EXCHANGE PROGRAMS**

**ATHENS UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMICS AND BUSINESS**

Athens, Greece

Program Highlights:

• Athens University of Economics and Business is the third oldest University in Greece.
• Athens University of Economics and Business cooperates with more than 200 foreign universities. The students are very active in initiatives related to entrepreneurship and innovation.
• Greek language courses are offered free of charge during the semester.

On location in Athens:

Mainland Greece is located in Southern Europe with Italy neighboring west of the Ionian Sea and Turkey east of the Aegean Sea. The infamous Greek islands are south of the mainland in the Mediterranean Sea. Considered the gateway between Eastern and Western cultures, Greece has been one of the most profound influencers of ancient and modern history. Greek contributions have been nothing shy of revolutionary. As one of the top destinations for travelers from all over the world, Greece has endless opportunity for adventure. Enjoy the countless beaches, infamous cuisine, and profound historical monuments and ruins while studying at the Athens University of Economics and Business. If you look down the street, perched up on a mountain, you will be able to see one of the most noticeable historical landmarks in the world, the Acropolis!

For more information about this program: [http://www.aueb.gr/index_en.php](http://www.aueb.gr/index_en.php) or contact the Center for Global Engagement - 806.742.2041 - www.rawlsabroad.com

Language of Instruction: Greek & English

Semesters Offered: Fall, Spring, Academic Year

Requirements:

Must be in good academic standing and not on disciplinary probation

2.75 TTU GPA to take business courses

Academic Offerings:

Finance, Management, Marketing, MIS, Upper Level Business Core, Upper Level Economics, Electives.
**Program Highlights:**

- Northumbria University has a rich history dating back to the late 19th century, which has created an attractive campus scattered with Victorian buildings alongside state-of-the-art teaching, research and social accommodations. Northumbria is one of the UK’s leading professional universities, with a global reputation for academic excellence. It has long-established links with industry and a strong record in graduate employability.

- It is the largest university in the North East of England both at undergraduate and postgraduate level, with 33,000 students from more than 100 countries. It has more than 3,500 international students on campus and a similar number studying overseas.

- AACSB Accredited

**Location in Newcastle:**

The University sits about seven kilometers across a spectacular riverscape, Newcastle (a city on the north bank of the River Tyne) and Gateshead (a town on the south bank) form a single, diverse and extremely vibrant visitor destination. With so many different areas each offering new sights, sounds and experiences, you are sure to find something that suits your style. Whether your tastes. World-class culture, vibrant nightlife, award-winning dining, inspiring heritage, fantastic shopping and acclaimed architecture are linked here, as nowhere else, by the single, diverse and extremely vibrant visitor destination.

For more information about this program: [https://www.northumbria.ac.uk](https://www.northumbria.ac.uk)
Program Highlights:
• Programs and curriculum at RIT are completely aligned with the standards and requirements of the world’s leading business schools, providing ground-breaking research and education.
• RSM develops business leaders with international careers who carry an innovative atmosphere attracting prominent academics and students from around the world.

Academic Offerings:
Course focus on critical thinking, decision making, communication and leadership – all skills necessary for success in today’s global work environment.

For more information about this program:
http://www.rotterdam.nl/home/ or contact the Center for Global Engagement - 806.742.2041 - www.rnlsabroad.com

Program Highlights:
• Program is open to students of all majors
• Students are encouraged to take classes outside business to understand the commercial nature of the host-country, and the large number of student who come to school each year on an international exchange program.

Academic Offerings:
Accounting, Finance, Management, MIS, Upper Level Business Core, Electives

For more information about this program:
http://www.reutlingen-university.de/en/home.html

Language of Instruction: English
Minimum GPA: 2.75

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Academic Offerings:
Accounting, Finance, Management, MIS, Upper Level Business Core, Electives

For more information about this program:
http://www.sbs.su.se/en/ or contact the Center for Global Engagement - 806.742.2041 - www.rnlsabroad.com

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Language of Instruction: English
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UNIVERSITY OF LJUBLJANA
Ljubljana, Slovenia

Program Highlights:
- The University of Ljubljana is the oldest, largest, and internationally best ranked university in Slovenia, being among the first 500 or the first 3% of the world’s universities, according to ARWU (Academic Ranking of World Universities).
- With over 63,000 enrolled undergraduate and graduate students, it is also among the largest universities in Europe.
- Greek language courses are offered free of charge during the semester.

On location in Ljubljana:
In many ways a fairy-tale city, replete with castle, the capital city of Slovenia has as its defining motif a dragon, which you will see on flags that flutter from bridges and buildings, in intriguing architectural embellishments throughout the city, and on marketing materials everywhere. Located between the Alps and the Adriatic Sea, with approximately 300,000 inhabitants, Ljubljana is the political and cultural heart of the Slovenian nation, with a rich historical legacy that offers the friendliness of a small town and at the same time everything that a capital city could offer.

For more information about this program:
http://www.uni-lj.si/eng/ or contact the Center for Global Engagement - 806.742.2041 - www.rawlsabroad.com

Academic Offerings:
Accounting, Finance, Management, Marketing, MIS, Upper Level Business Core, Upper Level Economics, Electives.

Language of Instruction: English
Semesters Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer, Academic Year
Requirements: Must be in good academic standing and not on disciplinary probation

ZAGREB SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT
Zagreb, Croatia

Program Highlights:
- For more than a decade now, the Zagreb School of Economics and Management has been creating the future business leaders, economics experts and innovative entrepreneurs.
- With more than 1000 graduates, 100 lecturers, and around 1200 students, ZSEM stands out as the largest private institution for higher education in Croatia.
- AACSB Accredited; ZSEM placed among the top 5% of the highest-ranking business schools in the world.

On location in Zagreb:
Zagreb is the nation’s capital, and the most populous city in Croatia. Zagreb has culture, arts, music, architecture, gastronomy and all the other things that make a quality capital city – it’s no surprise that the number of visitors has risen sharply in the last couple of years. Croatia’s coastal attractions aside, Zagreb has finally been discovered as a popular city-break destination in its own right.

For more information about this program:
http://www.zsem.hr/index.php/en/ or contact the Center for Global Engagement - 806.742.2041 - www.rawlsabroad.com

Academic Offerings:
Accounting, Finance, Management, Marketing, MIS, Upper Level Business Core, Electives.

Language of Instruction: English
Semesters Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer, Academic Year
Requirements: Must be in good academic standing and not on disciplinary probation

Housing: Student Residence Convenient to campus

For a full list of courses approved, visit rawlsabroad.com

Affiliate Programs
Affiliate programs offer the widest range of program options to TTU students. All programs listed on the Study Abroad website have been approved by Texas Tech, and students may choose programs that satisfy major, minor, core or elective requirements, as well as complete internships or research abroad. Students on affiliate programs do not pay TTU tuition, but rather pay the program directly.
The Australian dollar (AUD) is the official currency of the Commonwealth of Australia. Historic Exchange Rate: (USD/AUD) 1.1078

There is no question living in Australia is expensive. Prices have risen rapidly in the last several years, and the country’s major cities are ranked among the costliest in the world. However, costs alone do not tell the full story. Quality of life is an important consideration, and travelers consistently rank Australia among the best places in the world to live. Although cost of living is more expensive, many recreational activities are free or low cost.

Dinner, also sometimes known as tea, is the main evening meal, between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m., while supper is a late night snack or light meal. Australians appreciate people who express opinions, but not people who boast or speak over others. Avoid making comments about accents, as this may be perceived as a way to establish a person’s social class; accents can be seen as a strong indicator of class.

Australians drive and walk on the left, and pass on the right. This applies to the road, sidewalk (known as pavement) and escalators.
Program Highlights:
- Study and internship combination programs available
- ICMS is a 5 minute walk to the famous Manly Beach, and only 15 minutes by fast ferry to downtown Sydney

On location at ICMS:
The International School of Management, Sydney is a leading business school, educating future leaders in marketing, management, business law, finance, and ISQS. ICMS provides students with residential accommodations in an inspiring Manly location. Located along the beautiful Manly beachfront, ICMS is dedicated to a balanced lifestyle of its students and academic pursuits are combined with a wide variety of extra-curricular activities. At ICMS, there is a strong belief that the best learning combines practical work with a strong theoretical foundation. The balance of management and vocational training and a real culture of entrepreneurship within ICMS equips students with the knowledge and skills to rise to the top of their chosen professions. Each course is built around real business experience and developed in conjunction with industry professionals to ensure relevance and value. You will benefit from the comprehensive academic and social programs that you will experience, while learning within an internationally recognized institution.

For more information on this program:
http://www.icms.edu.au/

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The Yuan Renminbi (CNY or ¥) is the official currency of China. Historic Exchange Rate: (USD/CNY) 6.1246

*for live exchange rates, visit [www.oanda.com](http://www.oanda.com)*

The cost of living in Shanghai is very low, especially considering the size of the city. Meals, transportation, and entertainment will all cost much less than what Americans are used to. While credit and debit cards are commonly used in Shanghai, many smaller shops, cafes, and street vendors will only take cash. ATMs are readily available, but be sure to always have a backup option as well.
Program Provider: Alliance for Global Education (AGE)
Language of Instruction: English & Chinese
Semesters Offered: Fall, Spring, Summer
Requirements:
- 3.0 minimum GPA
- No prior Chinese language study required
- Fall and Spring students who wish to apply for part-time internship must have a minimum of three prior semesters of Chinese language instruction.
Housing: This building houses international students and a small number of local undergraduate and professional degree students. Each Alliance student will share a double room with a Shanghai University of Finance and Economics (SUFE) university student.
Academic Offerings: Finance, Management, Marketing, Chinese Language, Internship

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HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE!
Gain skills and grow your professional network when you study abroad. Build your résumé with:
- International internships
- Career workshops
- Volunteering opportunities
- Service learning
- Global Career Development Certificate program

For more information about this program:
http://www.allianceglobaled.org/china/shanghai/international-business

SHANGHAI UNIVERSITY OF FINANCE AND ECONOMICS
Shanghai, China

Program Highlights:
• As one of the world’s premier financial capitals, Shanghai is fast-paced and cosmopolitan but distinctly Chinese.
The International Business program offers an unparalleled opportunity to study Chinese language, international business, and economic development in Asia’s financial center. Students participate in carefully designed activities and experiential study trips that provide a first-hand encounter with China’s rapidly changing business environment. The Shanghai University of Finance and Economics, founded in 1917, is a multi-dimensional university with a core focus on applied economics. Each student is assigned an academic advisor who is a faculty member of the School of International Education (ICE), administrated by the Chinese Ministry of Education and recently been selected as one of the ‘21st Century’s Key Universities in China’. ICE is devoted to the education of foreign students and aims to train students with a background in international economics or management. For more information about this program:

For a full list of courses approved, visit rawlsabroad.com

Forrest Akervik, International Business - German minor

“Studying abroad is without a doubt the most enjoyable and amazing experience I have ever had! You will meet new wonderful people and have a chance to be truly independent in ways you never thought imaginable. I can say with all honesty that my only regret was not staying abroad for a full year.”
When interacting with the British, it should be kept in mind that the United Kingdom consists of four countries: England, Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland. People in each country have a strong sense of identity and national pride. It is not appropriate to refer to a Welsh, Scottish, or Northern Irish person as English, and vice versa.

The British have a reputation for maintaining a "stiff upper lip." They are not keen on emotional displays or showing too much enthusiasm.

Shake hands with everyone present, children included, when meeting a group of people, and again when parting.

On the London subway (or Tube, as it is known), wait for the other passengers to exit the train before entering, and stand on the right on escalators.

British people like their personal space; it is best to avoid physical contact and maintain a reasonably wide distance during conversation.

Humor is common and often includes a strong element of irony or sarcasm. On the whole, British humor is witty and self-deprecating, and can sometimes be a defense mechanism.

When communicating in the United Kingdom, it is better to be formal until one knows the protocol for a particular setting.

The British Pound (GBP or £) is the official currency of England. Historic Exchange Rate: USD/GBP 0.6017

The common misconception is that England is more expensive than many other European countries. Though England can be pricey, it doesn’t have to be. There are many ways to live comfortably on a budget as long you pay attention to what you spend and look out for different deals and events offered throughout the city. In fact, a large number of popular museums and attractions are free of charge! Most businesses and restaurants in England will only accept cash as a method of payment, so be prepared and have some cash on hand before heading out.
**Program Highlights:**
- Internship program available for the summer or semester

**On location at Richmond:**
Lodged in Kensington, the Richmond campus is one of the best residential and most picturesque areas of central London, surrounded by places of enormous historical and cultural interest. Accommodations and classrooms are located close to Kensington Palace, Hyde Park, and the Royal Albert Hall. The campus is located in the heart of London, with access to all that the city has to offer, including museums, stores, restaurants, cafes and cinemas.

Founded in 1970, Richmond University, The American International University in London, is a highly-respected academic institution offering fully accredited BS, BA and MA programs, taught by outstanding British and international faculty, many of whom are leading experts in their field.

For more information about this program:
http://www.aifsabroad.com/england

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**Program Highlights:**
- Known as the university for business and professions

**On location at City University:**
Located in central London, City University has 12,000 students and is known as the university for business and the professions. City recently earned AACSB accreditation for its Cass Business School, the hallmark of excellence in business education. City University is innovative and progressive, with a high standard of teaching underpinned by research and scholarship. City instructors use a variety of teaching approaches including formal lectures, seminars, laboratories, tutorials, and personal studies.

As a study abroad student, students become members of the University’s Students’ Union. Through the Union, students will be invited to join any athletic, cultural, political, religious, international, and/or general interest societies.

For more information about this program:
http://www.arcadia.edu/abroad/City/

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**Program Highlights:**
- Internship program available for the summer or semester

**On location at Westminster:**
The University of Westminster is one of the largest universities in the UK, with 20,000 students on four campuses. Emphasis is placed on group work and team projects, and the Royal Albert Hall is a symbol of strong leadership and communication skills. The Business school is located in London’s West End. Each campus contains its own library, computers, and cafes. The campus is located in the heart of London. Courses are taught by local university professors. Study abroad participants take classes with British and other international students. Depending on the provider, excursions include trips to Brighton, Dover Castle or a weekend in Wales.

For more information about this program:
http://studiestravel.com/programs/country/england/city/london
French is the official language of business in France. Although many business men and women speak English quite well, they have difficulty with individuals who do not at least attempt to speak French.

Guests should not start eating until the host has indicated, usually with the phrase *bon appétit*, that it is time to begin.

It is common, if perhaps not entirely legal, to park cars and scooters wherever possible, including on sidewalks, and even triple-parking. If another car is blocking an entry to a garage or home, it is customary to honk until the other driver returns.

Requesting leftovers from a restaurant meal in a “doggy bag” is frowned upon. It is perceived as being cheap and also suggests that the restaurant is not a quality establishment.

At a café or brasserie, simply sit down at a table. There is no need to await a server to be shown a table. This does not hold for restaurants.

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The French are essentially a private people. They distinguish between close friends and acquaintances, and it can be difficult to form friendships initially.

Acceptable topics of conversation when first meeting someone include general politics, world affairs and French culture. One should avoid asking overly personal questions, including what one does for a living.

The French appreciate spirited debate and conversation, which may seem highly confrontational to a foreigner. To the French, North Americans tend to lecture rather than converse, whereas North Americans may need to get used to the interruptions inherent in a French exchange. Moments of silence are few and far between in conversation.

The Euro (EUR or €) is the official currency of France. Historic Exchange Rate: 1.00USD = 0.726 EUR
*for live exchange rates, visit www.oanda.com

While Paris can be expensive to the untrained traveler, there are many ways to live comfortably on a budget, if you pay attention to what you spend and look out for different deals and events offered throughout the city.

Welcome to France

Studying abroad in France as a business student is a unique look at the deep values of a nation united in cultural pride and tradition.

The allure of France as a study abroad destination lies in its intransigent effect on curious minds, making it a non-stop learning environment and an academic threshold. Not surprisingly, France yields one of the largest, most progressive, prosperous, and high-tech cities in Europe, if not the world: Paris.

Yet the country is also strewn with small towns and villages, rich in their own right and the destination of travelers time and time again. Exploring any combination of these urban and rural landscapes that are so integral to France's identity is sure to result in a meaningful, life-changing study abroad experience, fulfilling the academic goals of students, and then some.
AMERICAN BUSINESS SCHOOL OF PARIS

Program Highlights:
- Courses are taught by a team of international professors and lecturers who tailor-made coursework based on their own unique background and career experiences.
- Students will learn how to work on a team in multi-cultural settings, gain practice in international case studies, and prepare for a successful international career.

On location at American Business School of Paris:
At the American Business School Paris, students take classes with French and other international students from 80 different countries from around the world. Courses are taught by a team of international professors and lecturers who tailor-make coursework based on their own unique backgrounds and career experiences.

Requirements:
- 2.75 minimum GPA
- Students must be 18 years of age or older

Housing:
- Homestays
- ISA Apartments Residence Halls (summer only)

Program Provider:
ISA - International Studies Abroad

Semester Offered:
Fall, Spring, Summer I, Summer II

For more information about this program:
http://studiesabroad.com/programs/country/france/city/paris/viewUniversity?instID=64

AMERICAN BUSINESS SCHOOL OF PARIS

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Greeks are very attached to religious traditions. The Greek Orthodox Church still plays a great role in the country and is respected by most people.

Touching and strong eye contact is widespread; hugging, kissing on the cheeks and walking arm in arm are all common.

It is common to bring a small gift to the host when invited for dinner in a Greek home. Flowers, chocolates or a bottle of good wine are normally very well accepted.

Punctuality is not expected and a delay of half an hour is common.

Enjoy the food and company and toast your host “stin igia mas” (to our health).

The Euro (EUR or €) is the official currency of Greece.

Historic Exchange Rate: USD/EUR 0.726

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Greece has one of the lowest costs of living in the European Union, although cities such as Athens are generally more expensive than the rest of the country. The standard of living is high and the cost of living in Greece is generally 30% less than many other European countries but the average local salary in Greece is also lower.

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**WHY STUDY ABROAD IN GREECE**

Greek Language
Food
Beaches
The Acropolis
Palace of Knossos
Friendly People
Hellenic Festival
Mount Olympus
Scuba
Photo Ops

**WELCOME TO GREECE**

Greek study abroad programs will immerse students in Greece’s past and present. The culture of Greece is one that has evolved over the course of thousands of years, through many of the most well-known and widespread areas and civilizations in history. From stunning displays of ancient architecture and rich tradition to gorgeous coastlines and pristine beaches, Greece offers an exciting infusion of alluring antiquity and natural splendor. Greece today is a vibrantly modern nation, known as one of the safest, friendliest, and most relaxed countries in Europe. Abundant with diverse cultures and landscapes, not to mention mouth-watering Mediterranean cuisine, you will not want to leave this captivating country — that is, not until you realize that you are only a short distance away from fascinating vacation destinations like Turkey and Italy.

**EXPLORE. DREAM. DISCOVER. A BUSINESS STUDENT’S GUIDE TO STUDY ABROAD**

Greece is located at the southeast end of Europe and is the southernmost country of the Balkan Peninsula. Greece is referred to as a southern European country because geographically she is a part of this region.
Thessaloniki, Greece

Program Highlights:

- The American College of Thessaloniki provides a top quality tertiary level, multidisciplinary, student-centered, educational experience by cultivating the personal and ethical growth of well-rounded and principled individuals with expanded intellectual horizons, a heightened sense of citizenship, and a need for social contribution.

**Academic Offerings:**
Finance, Management, Marketing, Upper Level Business Core, Greek Language, Electives.

**Program Provider:** American College of Thessaloniki (ACT)

**Language of Instruction:** English

**Semesters Offered:** Fall, Spring, Summer

**Minimum GPA:** 2.75

**Housing:** The American College of Thessaloniki provides off campus accommodation in downtown Thessaloniki. Rooms are all fully furnished (including kitchen appliances in individual studios or in common areas), and priority is given based on the date of application receipt. Both single and double-occupancy options exist. Off-campus housing locations are well served by the city’s reliable bus system with buses running at 10-15 minute intervals. In addition, during the fall and spring semesters the college provides bus service to and from campus.

For more information about this program: [http://www.act.edu/](http://www.act.edu/)

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Welcome to Italy

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Location

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Welcome to Italy

Inexpensive meal

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Italian Language

Vatican City

Food

Fashion

Atmosphere

Cinque Terre

Soccer

Famous Sites

Beaches

Art

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Program Highlights:

- Full-service campus including residence halls and a cafeteria
- Focus on leadership and professional development LIP & LEAP programs
- Networking and travel with students from 35+ universities
- Built-in independent travel

On location at CIMBA:

The CIMBA campus is located in the quaint, Italian town of Paderno del Grappa, which is about an hour north of Venice. The Consortium of Management and Business Analysis (CIMBA) is an international, non-profit organization that has trained future professional leaders. CIMBA is supported by top universities from the United States who collectively provide support for CIMBA's academic, housing and programmatic needs.

Program Provider:

CIMBA

Language of instruction:

English

Semesters Offered:

Fall, Spring, Summer I, Summer II

Minimum GPA: 2.75

Housing:

Undergraduate students are housed in residence halls on the Paderno campus in either singles or small doubles. The residence halls range from single- to four-person accommodations. Students receive housing offers from earliest to semester. Students are given the opportunity to choose dormitories. During larger summer programs, some students may be housed in hotels. Most rooms have a private bath, bed, desk, and closet.

Academic Offerings:

Accounting, Finance, Management, Marketing, Upper Level Business Core, Italian Language, Electives.

For more information about this program: http://www.cimbaitaly.com/

For more information about this program: http://www.ldminstitute.com/

Program Provider: Lorenzo de’ Medici

Language of instruction:

English and Italian

Semesters Offered:

Fall, Spring, Summer I, Summer II

Requirements:

- 2.75 minimum GPA
- No language prerequisite

Academic Offerings:

Management, Marketing, Italian Language, Electives.

For more information about this program: http://www.rossimilano.com/

Program Provider: John Cabot University

Language of Instruction:

English

Minimum GPA: 2.75

Housing:

Our primary housing options are the Gianicolo Residence and the Viale Trastevere Apartments. For Fall and Spring semesters, Off Residence Apartments become available only after the Gianicolo Residence and Viale Trastevere Apartments have reached capacity. During summer sessions all students are housed in the Gianicolo.

Academic Offerings:

Finance, Management, Marketing, MIS, Upper Level Business Core, Italian Language, Electives.

For more information about this program: http://www.johncabot.edu/

For more information about this program: http://www.florenceuniversity.com
Welcome to Japan

Japan is truly the confluence of East meets West. Japan is, in many ways, not as remote or culturally distinct from the lifestyle students are used to at home, but Japanese touches put a new perspective on otherwise familiar things. Education in Japan is incredibly important, and the population boasts a near-perfect literacy rate. Rich, long-standing cultural traditions blend seamlessly with cutting-edge technologies and modern cities. Even Japan’s most advanced areas like Tokyo, which is often depicted as a hyper-modern metropolis, blended the old with the new. Japan’s oldest temple can be found amidst modern high-rises and bright neon signs. Whether students seek nature, culture, or technology, there is something for everyone in this island nation.

Location

Japan is an island country separated from the east coast of Asia by the Sea of Japan. It is approximately the size of Montana.

### WHY STUDY ABROAD IN JAPAN

- **Japanese Language**
- **Endless Things To Do**
  - Kyoto
  - Sumo Wrestling
  - Japanese Theater
  - Hiroshima
  - Friendly People
  - Safety
  - Anime
  - Food

### MONEY & COST OF LIVING

The Japanese Yen (JPY) is the official currency of Japan.

Historic Exchange Rate (USD/JPY): 102.36

*For live exchange rates, visit www.oanda.com

Japan remains one of the most expensive countries in the world. In spite of its cost, living in Japan is attractive for expatriates for many reasons. The standard of living is very high. The Japanese people are hospitable, their cities are safe and pollution in low. Service is excellent.

#### COST COMPARISON

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#### IF YOU WANT TO ACT LIKE A LOCAL

- **Always bow when meeting someone.**
- **Do not hug or kiss someone on the cheeks. Avoid physical contact.**
- **Nose blowing in public is considered very rude, as is yawning, coughing and using toothpicks without covering the mouth.**
- **It is inappropriate to walk into an office or reception wearing one’s coat or hat. Remove all outerwear and carry it in one’s hand prior to entering.**
- **Do not sit until told where to sit when gathering or in business, as usually there is a seating arrangement based on professional status.**
- **Do not start drinking until everyone at the table is served and the glasses are raised to toast. The Japanese drinking salute is usually “Kampai!”**
- **Do not take food from the serving plate using personal chopsticks that have been used to eat. Instead, turn the chopsticks upside down and then pick the food up.**
- **Tipping does not exist in Japan. A taxi driver will not accept tips.**
- **Prior to entering a Japanese home, remove shoes at the doorway, ensuring they point away from the door.**

### WELCOME TO JAPAN

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SOHUI UNIVERSITY

Tokyo, Japan

Program Highlights:
• Study Japanese language classes at all levels and choose from a wide variety of courses offered in English and Japanese.
• Live with a Japanese family, or in a dorm with young professionals, Japanese and international students.
• Participate in contemporary and traditional cultural activity programs, including regular site visits, historical tours, hands-on workshops, and weekend excursions to Hiroshima or Kyoto.

On location at Sophie University:
Located in the heart of Tokyo, at Sophie University you can study Japanese language at all levels and choose from a wide variety of courses offered in English and Japanese. With CIEE, you can attend guest lectures by local and academic professionals. Also, there is opportunity to visit local elementary schools. There are also special times such participating in cultural activities that give you greater interaction with CIEE staff and Japanese facilitators. There are also many clubs and activities at Sophie University that you can partake in. The excursions that are part of the program may include a weekend trip to Hiroshima. On the following day for a day trip, students can go to Miyajima island. Other trips may include going to the city of Kyoto, which is famous for its temples, Zen gardens and UNESCO World Heritage sites.

For more information about this program:
http://www.ciee.org/study-abroad/japan/tokyo/arts-sciences/

Program Provider: CIEE
Language of Instruction: English and Japanese
Semesters Offered: Academic Year, Spring (Fall would go into Texas Tech semester for the Spring)
Requirements:
• 3.0 minimum GPA
• Sophomore standing
• 1 or 2 semesters of Japanese strongly recommended
Housing:
• Homestay
• Dorm

Academic Offerings:
Management, Marketing, MIS, Upper Level Business Core, Japanese Language, Electives.

程序 Highlights:
• 研究生日语课程在所有级别选择从广泛的课程在英语和日本语。
• 居住在日本家庭，或在年轻人的专业，日本和国际学生的宿舍。
• 参与当代和传统文化活动项目，包括定期的参观，历史游览，手工艺工作坊，和周末游览到广岛或京都。

在Sophie大学地点：
位于东京市中心，Sophie大学，您可以学习日本语言在所有级别和选择从广泛的课程在英语和日本语。通过CIEE，您可以参加本地和学术专家的讲座。还有机会访问当地的小学。还有特殊的时间，例如参加在日本人和CIEE工作人员之间的文化活动。这些活动包括周末到广岛的旅行。第二天，学生们可以去宫岛。其他旅行可能包括去著名的寺庙的京都。

有关更多详细信息，请访问：
http://www.ciee.org/study-abroad/japan/tokyo/arts-sciences/

项目提供者：CIEE
语言：英语和日语
学期：学年，春季（秋季将进入德克萨斯州立大学的春季学期）
要求：
• 3.0 GPA
• 二年级
• 推荐的日本语
居住：
• 家庭寄宿
• 宿舍

学术课程：
管理，营销，MIS，高阶商务核心，日语，电子。

RITSUMEIKAN ASIA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

Beppu, Japan

Program Highlights:
• Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University opened in April 2000 based on a vision of freedom, peace and humanity, mutual international understanding, and the future shape of the Asia Pacific region.
• Currently, there are over 8,000 students, almost half of whom are from 100 nations and regions outside Japan.

On location at Asia Pacific University:
APU’s campus is located on a hill with stunning views over the town of Beppu. Beppu, famous for leading Japan in the hot spring resort, is proud of its small-town atmosphere and tradition of hospitality to visitors and new residents from around the world. Studying in Beppu will allow you to fully immerse yourself in the local culture.

APU offers a dual language education in Japanese and English. This means no prior Japanese language is required for admission. APU student body and faculty organizes a welcome party for new students attending each semester as a means to network and facilitate the culture that APU wants to project.

For more information about this program:
http://studiesabroad.com/beppu

Program Provider: [SA]
International Studies Abroad
Language of Instruction: English and Japanese
Semesters Offered: Academic Year, Spring, Summer (Fall would go into Texas Tech semester for the Spring)
Requirements:
• 2.75 minimum GPA
• Must at least complete one year of full-time at a college level
Housing:
• On-campus residence halls: Single and shared rooms with a refrigerator, air conditioning, bedding and a telephone. There will be community kitchens and also a cafeteria on campus to have at your disposal.

学术课程：
上等商业核心，高阶水平经济，金融，国际商务，和管理。

For a full list of courses approved, visit rawlsabroad.com
COST COMPARISON

USD 2.77
KRW 2,967.97

USD 2.00
KRW 2,142.94

USD 5.50
KRW 5,893.09

Korean people tend to act in a reserved manner. They use few hand gestures, and there is no personal contact beyond the handshake unless the parties are close friends or family members.

When dining in a traditional restaurant, one removes his or her shoes before entering and sitting on cushions on the floor. Thus, it is best to wear nice socks, and women should not wear short skirts. Do not step on the pillows when preparing to sit down. Men may cross their legs when sitting on the floor, but women should sit with their legs together and to the side.

IF YOU WANT TO ACT LIKE A LOCAL

- Shoes should be taken off before entering a Korean home.
- Slurping and belching are acceptable while dining, and are sometimes considered a sign of appreciation of the cooking.
- Koreans are fond of karaoke, and friends often visit norae bang, song rooms; it is best to join in, even if the attempt is not perfect.
- Tipping is not a part of the culture in Korea.

The South Korean Won is the official currency of South Korea (₩ or KRW).

Historic Exchange Rate: USD/KRW 1.071.47

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While the cost of living in Seoul can be much lower than the U.S., please keep in mind that there are places to dine and shop that are comparable to those costs of living in the U.S.
**Academic Offerings:**
- Finance, Management, Marketing, Upper Level Business Core, Korean Language, Electives.

**Program Provider:**
ISA International Studies Abroad

**Language of Instruction:**
Korean & English

**Semesters Offered:**
Fall, Spring, Summer

**Minimum GPA:**
2.75

**Housing:**
Students attending Korea University live in either CJ International House or Anam-Global House, both of which house international students. Anam-Global House is the newest dorm on campus, opening in Fall 2013. CJ International House and Anam-Global House offer double or triple rooms, each with an en suite bathroom, desk, and plenty of storage space. Meals are not included, but available for purchase in on-site cafeteria. The Korea University campus also has a variety of restaurants/cafeterias available, and many students choose to cook in the shared kitchens of CJ House or go to nearby restaurants.

**Program Highlights:**
- Korean University is Korea’s top-ranked university. Known as the “Ivy League” provider university in the country.
- Located in Seoul Korea University is one of the largest, most selective, and historic universities in Korea, providing a top quality educational experience for its students since 1905. Korea University offers a wide variety of courses taught in English in all professional fields. They excel in their business courses and are AACSB and EQUIS Business Certified.
- Korea University is Korea’s top ranked University. Known as the “Ivy League” private university in the country. Korea University is a world-class institution featuring a dynamic educational environment, beautiful and conveniently located campus, and top-quality student facilities. It prides itself not only in being a progressive and globally conscious institution, but also one that plays a role in preserving and developing Korea’s unique culture.

For more information about this program:
http://studiesabroad.com/seoul

**Program Provider:**
ISA International Studies Abroad

**Language of Instruction:**
Korean & English

**Semesters Offered:**
Fall, Spring, Summer

**Minimum GPA:**
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**Getting to study abroad in Sydney, Australia was a dream come true. I woke up and went to sleep in paradise every day for three months. I conquered fears and lived dreams all while making lifelong friends. Whether I was studying at the castle or relaxing on the beach I made sure to make the most of every moment. I may have left Australia, but Australia has definitely not left me.”**

Jake Havins, Marketing
Welcome to Spain

Just like the Spaniard, the Visitor can gain a wealth of knowledge of the country’s customs and traditions, in his own language. To do so, he must be prepared to study hard, and to respect the customs of the country.

IF YOU WANT TO ACT LIKE A LOCAL

1. Spaniards are very proud of their history and culture, and it is appreciated if a foreign visitor shows interest in these.

2. Although the ability of Spaniards to understand and speak English has considerably improved among the younger generation, the vast majority of Spaniards do not speak any foreign language.

3. English is the language of international business and can help to secure a job, but doing business in Spain requires the ability to speak good Spanish.

Location

Spain is located in southwestern Europe, bordering the
Bay of Biscay, Mediterranean Sea, North Atlantic
Ocean, and Pyrenees Mountains; southwest of France.

MONEY & COST OF LIVING

The Euro (EUR or €) is the official currency of Spain. 

Historic Exchange Rate: 1 USD = 0.726 EUR

The cost of living in Spain will very much depend upon your lifestyle and where you live. If you seek luxury goods and fine dining you will find Spain very expensive but if you are prepared to eat and live like the locals you will find your money goes a lot further here than it does at home. Housing costs can be very reasonable but are high in the cities and popular tourist areas. Food is relatively cheap and provided you don’t dine out in tourist hotspots you will find the prices in restaurants reasonable.

WHY STUDY ABROAD IN Spain

Learn Spanish
Watch a Soccer Game
Fantastic Museums
Barcelona
The Running Of The Bulls
Beaches
Passport to Europe
Morocco
Food
Friendly People

COST COMPARISON

The concept of queuing (waiting in line) is not as rigidly espoused as in North America or the United Kingdom; when waiting in a queue, one needs to show a great degree of self-assertion.

Many Spaniards enjoy a second breakfast around 11:00 a.m.

Do not tip in bars for breakfast, beer or coffee. Do not tip a taxi driver.

Be aware of two types of lunch breaks: from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. for shops and businesses and from 4:00 to 9:00 p.m. for bars and restaurants, especially outside the major cities.
Academic Offerings:
- Language, Electives, Upper Division Economics, International Business, Marketing, Management and Finance

Program Provider:
- ISA International Studies Abroad

Language of Instruction:
- English and Spanish

Semesters Offered:
- Fall, Spring, Summer

For more information about this program:
- http://studiesabroad.com/barcelona

Program Highlights:
- The University began in 1968 and currently enrolls over 50,000 students each year.

On location at UAB:
The University began in 1968 and currently enrolls over 50,000 students each year. It is the second largest public university in Barcelona, Spain. UAB courses are taught at the Sant Pau Campus, located in the city center, not far from the Sagrada Familia. Courses are also taught at the Eixample campus, which is less than a 10-minute commute from the ISA main office in Barcelona.

The program accommodates students of various levels of Spanish proficiency. Courses are instructed by University faculty and ISA students attend class with other international students.

Depending on the session, students can expect excursions through ISA to locations such as Figueres, Valencia, a South of France tour, and even an optional excursion option to Morocco.

Housing:
- Homestay: Will be provided with two meals per day, laundry service once per week, share a bedroom with another ISA Student
- ISA Apartment: First-come/first-serve basis, furnished, centrally located apartments
- Residencias: Share a double room with another student on the program, small kitchenette may be available

For a full list of courses approved, visit rawlsabroad.com

Autonomous University of Barcelona (UAB)

I have never left the country before, so just having this chance to go do this for myself was so invigorating and scary. I loved everything about it. Australia is truly a second home now, and I wouldn’t have even had the gumption or confidence to go abroad alone and leave the country for the first time without the help and guidance I received from the Study Abroad office.

Leah Weidert, Macquarie University, Australia
The Dirham (AED or إ.د) is the legal currency of the United Arab Emirates.

Historic Exchange Rate: (USD/AED) 3.6721
*For live exchange rates, visit www.oanda.com/

Although the cost of living in Dubai and Abu Dhabi has risen recently, neither city is as expensive as it was ten years ago. In fact, living costs in Dubai are in the bottom one-third among global cities. There are also free activities to enjoy, cheap places to eat and affordable locations/housing options.

IF YOU WANT TO ACT LIKE A LOCAL

Arabic is the official language of the country, and is widely spoken. Arabs respect the attempts of expatriates to learn key words and phrases that assist them in communicating. While speaking in English, it is recommended that one speak slowly and clearly.

Traditionally, Arabs dine by sitting on the floor. One should take care not to present the soles of one’s feet.

One should not be distant or detached when interacting with Emiratis. Body language and personal space in the UAE are areas where boundaries are small.

The work week is typically from Sunday through Thursday, with the weekend comprising Friday and Saturday.

It is best to avoid politics and religion as subjects for discussion. Even if the viewpoint seems acceptable to a Western person, it is best not to be drawn into such discussions.

When one enters the majlis, one should always remove footwear, unless the host indicates otherwise (one should make sure to wear clean socks). If accompanied by a female companion, she will be taken to join the women.

It is acceptable for men to walk hand in hand in public, which is a sign of friendship.
American University in Dubai, Dubai, UAE

Program Highlights:

The mission of The American University of Dubai is to fulfill the broad educational needs of a culturally diverse student body by achieving excellence in teaching and learning, ultimately resulting in the intellectual, personal, and professional success of its graduate and the advancement of society.

On location at AUD:

AUD is a private, non-sectarian institution of high learning founded in 1995. AUD’s enrollment averages 2,600 students with over 100 nationalities represented within AUD’s student body.

AUD’s curricula across its degree-granting disciplines are skill-directed and career-oriented. Everything, from academic advising to the approach to faculty-student interaction in- and outside the classroom, in addition to career counseling, is implemented with attention to the needs of the individual student.

It is for this reason that class sizes are relatively small, and all faculty follow an “open door” policy with regard to consultation. Finally, the globalization of business and communications makes it imperative that the university’s educational programs be delivered with an international perspective and that a tolerance for cultural diversity be promoted through both curricular and extra-curricular activities.

For more information about this program:
http://www.aud.edu

Program Provider: AUD (Direct Affiliate)
Language of Instruction: English and Arabic
Semesters Offered: Academic Year, Spring, Fall, Summer II
Minimum GPA: 2.75
Housing:
AAUD has non-smoking student housing consisting of four residential buildings. There are two six-story residence halls. All residence halls are located in the Northwest corner of the AUD campus within 2-5 minute walk to the academic buildings, library, computer labs, cafeteria, small grocery shop and other outdoor sports facilities.

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Academic Offerings:
Accounting, Finance, Management, Marketing, MIS, Arabic Language, Electives.
Program Highlights:

- World-Class Faculty plus experts, including Nobel Prize winners, world leaders, and TED speakers.
- Coolest campus on Earth-7 deck, 590-foot ship where you learn, live, travel, and reflect.
- Exposure to world issues on the ground through faculty-led trips and service projects that make a difference.
- More bang for your buck with 10-12 destinations, 4 continents and 25,000 Nautical Miles.

On Location with Semester at Sea: Upcoming Voyages

Spring 2016:
Embark: San Diego, CA; Honolulu, Hawaii; Yokohama, Japan; Kobe, Japan; Shanghai, China; Hong Kong, China; Ho Chi Minh City, Viet Nam; Bangkok, Burma; Cochin, India; Port Louis, Mauritius; Cape Town, South Africa; Takoradi, Ghana; Tema (Accra), Ghana; Casablanca, Morocco.

Fall 2016:
Embark: Southampton (London), England; Istanbul, Turkey; Civitavecchia, Italy; Barcelona, Spain; Casablanca, Morocco; Dakar, Senegal; Salvador, Brazil; Havana, Cuba; Panama Canal Transit, Panama; Guayaquil, Ecuador; Puerto Veracruz, Costa Rica; Debark: San Diego, CA.

For more information about this program:
http://www.semesteratsea.org/
INTERNATIONAL INTERNSHIPS

Professional Development Resources:
Gain access to an in-depth Professional Development Toolbox, which is a collection of resources designed to help you grow personally and professionally throughout the internship process. Resources include:
• Personalized resume and cover letter advising;
• Access to create an online video resume;
• LinkedIn and personal branding resources;
• Interview preparation resources;
• Job search advice from professionals in the field;
• Career Resources Guide; and
• much more

Placements Available for the Following Rawls Majors:
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• Finance
• Human Resources
• Information Systems
• International Business
• Marketing
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PROGRAM DATES
June 1 - July 30, 2016
APPLICATION DEADLINE
February 1, 2016

PROGRAM FEES
ESTIMATED AND TO BE FINALIZED IN EARLY FALL 2015
Barcelona - $5375
Dublin - $5650
London - $8095
Includes BUNAC Sponsorship Fee
Santiago - $5015

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6 months to 12 Months Before

- Talk to teachers, family and friends about your plans.
- Attend mandatory Business Information Session
  - Complete CGE Questionnaire Form
  - Make initial appointment with CGE Advisor to collection information on programs and about course transfer requirements for international coursework.
- Complete Student Statement of Responsibility Form
- Complete First Appointment Checklist Form
- Once you know which program(s) you are interested in, make contact with the CGE Coordinator. It’s also a good idea to start delving a little deeper into the country, doing your own research. Don’t be shy to ask for contact information of former study abroad students.
- CGE Study Abroad Program List & Application(s)
- Attend mandatory Business Information Session
- Complete Communications Approval Checklist Form
- Attend your CGE Workshop and come prepared to discuss with other students about your host country that you will be studying abroad in.
- Complete Expectations for Study Abroad Form
- Complete CGE Reflection Form
- Complete Communications Approval Form
- Apply for a credit card that can be used worldwide (such as American Express, Visa, or MasterCard).
- Watch your grades. Maintain a healthy GPA amid daydreaming about your amazing adventures ahead.
- If you are planning to bring any medications, make sure you have the appropriate documentation. You need to get replacements.
- What’s really on your mind: the world you’re about to meet!
- With our study abroad checklist as your guide, you can sit back and concentrate on one item off at a time, you’ll be hopping along to your destination in no time. Crossing things off removes the need to fret over being swamped with one thing after another. Crossing one item at a time, you’re hopping along to your destination in no time.
- And the sooner you start to plan, the better. Making sure items on your study abroad to-do list don’t slip up ensures a smooth transition from here to there. Our manageable timeline removes the need to feel over-weighted with one thing after another. Crossing one item at a time, you’ll be hopping along to your destination in no time.
- CGE: The Rajeev College of Business Center for Global Engagement is the starting point for your study abroad experience. Your academic advisor and your program coordinator will help you pick your program, ensure that your classes are transferable, and help you through your plan of study. CGE Staff will complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on your behalf, if needed. Once accepted into a program, students must officially notify the Center for Global Engagement and the main TTU Study Abroad office. By registering for IB 3101 – Global Learning Strategies, you will be officially registered and will receive the necessary paperwork for international students, including your I-20.
- Stock up on any prescriptions drugs you take. Have your doctor’s note and request refills. Make sure you know the generic name of all drugs you carry are considered legal in the host country. Ask your program coordinator to give you any additional information you might need to get replacements.
- Make international medical insurance for your time abroad. It’s often included in program fees, but it’s still best to check.
- Purchase travel insurance to cover replacement costs of lost or stolen items.
- Fill out a change-of-address form and have it forwarded to your permanent address when you leave.
- Schedule a meeting with your study abroad advisor to address final concerns about your plans and coursework.
- Purchase your tickets and confirm dates! If you have to fly by plane, book your flight after some research about film clubs. This is a good way to make friends abroad.
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- Your advisor in this office will help you through the Texas Tech University required paperwork for international students.
- Both the CGE and the TTU Study Abroad offices will be communicating with you and helping you throughout your study abroad process. You will have separate requirements, deadlines, paperwork, and meetings from each office.
Week Before

- Bring a gift for your host family if you are staying with one. If you are staying in a dorm, it will still worth it hearing a small token for someone local who may end up helping you out a lot.
- Get an international cell phone or international phone card.
- Make multiple copies of all important documents — leave one set with your parents, another with the study abroad advisor, and keep one for yourself. This usually includes at least:
  - A passport.
  - Student ID, and/or driver’s license.
- Make sure you have everyone’s phone numbers and addresses — email and otherwise. That means everyone you might need to contact here and then. Your program coordinators should be on the top of your list. In addition, leave that same info with your parents or guardian/close friends.
- Get traveler’s checks or exchange currency for local cash ($200 worth is good; do this). Ask for small notes in addition to larger ones. Call your bank to make sure your atm card will work in your host country. In most cases you can start making withdrawals in the airport after getting off the plane.
- Confirm your flight.
- Buy at least one power adapter/voltage converter (if you’re taking anything like an electric toothbrush, hair dryer, or electric razor, etc. You probably need a different one for every country you’ll need). Depending on your host country you may need both a plug adapter and a voltage converter if you want to take things like an electric toothbrush, hair dryer, or electric razor, etc.
- Start packing. That is, put everything together and then take each and everything that is just sentimentation-excess outset. See if you can carry it all easily on your own. If you can’t, it’s a sign to let go of more items. By everything that is just sentimental/non-essential out. See if you can carry them all to your host country.
- Relaxed. Reviewing it frequently will help you feel more prepared and less anxious about the upcoming departure.

The Night Before

- Re-confirm your flight.
- Pack your carry-on bag. Include the standard: passport, student id, standard travel documents (emergency contact information, address and numbers of first contacts) one change of clothes, toothpaste and brush, wallet with traveler’s checks, cash and credit cards, documents and valuables. Note: Keep liquids and toiletries of no more than 3 oz inside small zip-lock bags.

Day of Departure

- Arrive at the airport well ahead of time. That means 2 hours or so before your departure time. If the plane is delayed, tell someone you are going to pick you up, let them know about it (Common courtesy.)
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Upon Arrival at Host Country

- Call your parents or guardian/best friend to say you’ve arrived safely. It will make them feel better!
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- Say “hello” to everyone who has contributed to your experience. Try not to forget your goodbyes — you never know when or if you’ll be saying hello again.

Vive la difference!

(That’s French for “Long Live the Difference!”) Yes, it’s different, but that’s why you’re there, right?

Getting Ready to Return

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- Take care back with you — to the leisure of your final destination. That could mean more than the currency. If you layover in Europe, you want some euros for buying food and other essentials. Many places only accept credit cards for above-specified amounts.
- Bring small gifts back for your family and friends. They will appreciate it.
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explore. dream. discover.
Use this worksheet to compare costs across programs and create a realistic budget. As you do some research, you may notice that programs vary considerably in features and costs included in the program fee. Items marked with an asterisk (*) often need to be paid prior to departure and before the release of financial aid or scholarships.

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