

STUDY ABROAD

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With over 60 unique opportunities overseas during the summer, fall, spring and intersession terms, students have options to study abroad on UM programs that align with their individual academic interests. Programs are open to sophomores, juniors, and seniors who meet posted eligibility requirements for admission such as minimum cumulative GPA. Students can live and learn abroad through short term and long term programs with UM faculty or at UM partner universities overseas. Programs with UM faculty are unique in their emphasis on experiential learning, pre-arranged group housing, excursions, and courses taught by UM professors and overseas academic experts. Examples of these programs include UM semester-on-locations in Cape Town, London, Prague, Shanghai, Paris, Latin America, Barcelona, Madrid, Seville, the Galapagos, Costa Rica, and Rome, as well as short term faculty-led programs during the summer, January intersession, and spring break in Europe, Asia, Africa, and South America. In some programs it is possible to earn graduate credit hours for study taken abroad.

Academics

The Schools and Colleges at UM encourage study abroad options for their students. Students are advised to plan as early as freshman year so studying abroad can be incorporated into their academic plan. With the assistance of the Study Abroad Office and the guidance of academic advisors, students can select a study abroad program to fit almost any major. Students can apply their courses abroad to their majors, minors, cognates, or elective credits with careful planning and academic department approval. Students should ensure all coursework taken abroad is reviewed and approved by an academic advisor prior to studying abroad.

Students receive UM credit hours and grades while studying at any of UM's partner universities overseas. These programs can be undertaken for a semester, year, and/or during the summer. Among a multitude of other options, students can study Aboriginal studies at University of Sydney, be immersed in Spanish culture in Seville, explore Iceland's unspoiled nature while studying earth sciences at the University of Iceland, immerse themselves in Japanese culture and business practices at Sophia University in Tokyo, or become acquainted with the changing panorama of international relations at University of San Andres in Argentina. Many of these programs are delivered in English so foreign language proficiency is not required for UM study abroad opportunities.

Students enrolled in any study abroad program at a partner institution may not earn 25 percent or more of their credits toward any UM degree program (credit requirements may vary by major/level), including courses taught by UM faculty. A student who anticipates earning 25 percent or more of his/her degree credits while participating in a study abroad program must immediately inform his/her advisor or program chair, who will be responsible for notifying the appropriate parties so that advance approval can be obtained from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).

Finances

Students who participate in UM Study Abroad programs will receive UM grades and credits and may be able to use their existing financial aid and scholarships towards **semester** program costs.

The cost of studying abroad varies depending on the type, length, and location of the program. Students are often surprised at how affordable studying abroad can be. Participants are charged full tuition for the term abroad and the financial aid package will be adjusted based on the estimated expenses of the program. Students participating in UM study abroad programs will be able to use their financial aid and scholarships abroad.

As studying abroad is seen as such an important aspect of a college career, many national and institutional scholarships are available. Interested students should begin to research scholarship opportunities early. The most prestigious study abroad scholarships, which grant up to \$10,000 per semester, have applications with deadlines up to 18 months before the study abroad program begins. Several other scholarships, with deadlines similar to program application deadlines, are also available and grant up to \$5,000. Learn more about finances and scholarships by visiting the Study Abroad website, speaking with the advisors in the Study Abroad Office and the Office of Financial Assistance Services.

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Non-UM Programs

Students who study through a non-UM program, domestic or study abroad, and would like to have those credit hours applied toward their UM degree, must apply for Non-UM Program status. For more specific information on the Non-UM program process please see the [Non-UM Study Abroad Program Policy and Steps](https://studyabroad.miami.edu/explore-our-programs/types-of-programs/non-um-programs/). (<https://studyabroad.miami.edu/explore-our-programs/types-of-programs/non-um-programs/>)

As of July 1, 2021, the non-UM fee is \$1000 per semester.