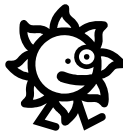


Summer programs: Beginning after your first year at Emory, you are eligible to study abroad during the summer. Emory's summer programs are ideal for students who want to study abroad but feel they have too many academic demands to go during the academic year, are a little hesitant to leave Emory or home for an entire semester, or have a GPA below 3.0. But, they also provide a great transition to semester or year programs because, ultimately, the more time you can spend abroad, the greater the benefit to you. A variety of programs are offered every summer with different academic themes. Visit the OISP website to find out what will be offered next summer.



The cost of study abroad: Many students see study abroad as a costly venture. However, while on study abroad through an Emory-approved program, you can continue to use your federal and state financial aid as well as Emory scholarships and grants. Outside funding sources may be available depending upon the location of the program. In addition, students on work study can receive replacements grants. Please see OISP and/or the Financial Aid Office to explore other options.

Additional semester program options: If you have a specific academic interest that cannot be met by an Emory program, you may petition to participate in a Non-Emory Program. Please see an OISP Study Abroad Advisor to discuss the petition process.



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So you want to study abroad:

Of course you do! You have 8 semesters at Emory ahead of you, and time spent abroad can offer a life-changing experience as part of your undergraduate career.

Stepping out of the country allows you to gain a wider perspective of the world and even of yourself. Those who study abroad stand out in the eyes of employers and admissions officers at graduate school, medical school, and law school. Graduates who studied abroad demonstrate that they are flexible, interested in other cultures, mature, independent, and in many cases, speak another language. To be competitive in today's globalized world, it is imperative that students leave college with knowledge and experience of the world outside of the U.S.

But, we know that graduation and the "real world" are a long way away. You just got to Emory, and now we are encouraging you to leave. But, we would hate for you to go through your experience here and not know about the opportunities for overseas study or to regret that you did not study abroad. Any student can and should study abroad!



Fitting study abroad into your four-year plan:

Most of you are already planning your four years at Emory—some of you are planning to double major, and some of you are just now deciding what that one major will be. Then, there are the GERs to fulfill and possibilities for a minor as well.

Whatever your individual academic plan is, study abroad does not have to interrupt it because, if you study abroad on an Emory-approved program, you will receive full academic credit and grades that will contribute to your GPA. You can take classes for your major/minor while abroad, you can fulfill GERs, you can take elective courses, or you can take a combination of all of the above. There is room in your academic career to undertake this experience, and there is a program that can best fit your academic needs and interests while at the same time progressing you towards graduation.







Getting There:

When you plan to study abroad, you need to take into account the prep time it takes to apply to a program. Deadlines for applications are normally October 1st and March 1st, the semester prior to the start of the program.

- You need to decide which semester fits best into your academic schedule. OISP offers semester programs, year-long programs, and summer programs.
- You should also consider whether or not you would like to study in another language while abroad or fulfill a language GER. For programs in non-English-speaking countries, the language requirements vary. Advanced language skills can open up further opportunities such as interning or taking classes in the language at a local university, providing other opportunities to further immerse yourself in the local culture, and dramatically increasing your proficiency in the language.

A four-year plan for study abroad in the **Fall of your junior year** might look like this:

 <p>Freshman year</p>	<p>Start thinking about study abroad. Attend the Study Abroad Fair. Take GERs. Study a foreign language if applicable. Maintain at least a 3.0 GPA. Possibly go on a summer study abroad program after this year.</p>
 <p>Sophomore year—Fall</p>	<p>Continue foreign language study. Declare a major. Meet with an OISP Study Abroad Advisor to explore programs that incorporate your regional interests, language interests, and your major. Maintain at least a 3.0 GPA.</p>
 <p>Sophomore year—Spring</p>	<p>Apply for a specific program with the help of your OISP Study Abroad Advisor. Decide which courses to take while abroad and which requirements they will fulfill. Meet with faculty to get courses pre-approved.</p>
 <p>Junior year—Fall</p>	<p>Find yourself in another country, immersed in a new culture and maybe even speaking another language!</p>

This is just one plan—students can go abroad from second semester sophomore year, to Spring of junior year, or even during their senior year. Consult with your Academic Advisor or an OISP Study Abroad Advisor to find out what time would work best for you.



Where Emory can take you:

Argentina, Australia, Austria, Botswana, Brazil, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, South Korea, Mali, Morocco, Namibia, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Russia, Scotland, Senegal, Singapore, South Africa, South Pacific, Spain, Tanzania, Turkey, Uganda, UK,