

Why study abroad?

As a Pre-Health student, you should not miss the opportunity to study abroad. Between classes, labs, research, and internships, study abroad provides you with valuable skills to help you be a competitive applicant to graduate school.

Study abroad offers many benefits by providing opportunities to facilitate your academic development and intellectual growth, foster a global perspective and contribute meaningfully to your career and professional development, and accelerate your personal growth by helping you to learn more about yourself and to improve your sense of independence and maturity.

We collaborate closely with Emory College science faculty and the Pre-Health Mentoring Office to establish study abroad programs for students. Meet with a Study Abroad Advisor to discuss your options.

Science Q & A for Study Abroad

Where can I go? I need to take Pre-Health courses while abroad.

Emory College Study Abroad offers a range of programs where you can enroll in Pre-Health courses. You can directly enroll in a major-specific program overseas or in general science courses, taught in English. If you speak another language fluently (e.g., French or Spanish), you may also be able to directly enroll in science courses taught in the host language. You can view Emory College Study Abroad's Blanket Approval Database to see what science courses have been blanket-approved. In addition, if you find courses you are interested in, you can request additional approvals from the relevant science faculty.

Emory College Study Abroad also provides specific programs targeted towards Pre-Health majors in many countries. Please see a partial list on the back, and meet with a Study Abroad advisor to find out more about these programs.

Can I study abroad, even if I don't plan to take any Pre-Health or Science courses?

Yes, many Pre-Health majors use the study abroad experience to enhance their language skills or to explore a new region of the world. Through study abroad, you may deepen your general understanding of humans by taking anthropology in Africa, doing an independent research project on sustainability and global health in Latin America, or learning the intersections of political economy and access to healthcare.

Are there research opportunities?

Yes, many study abroad programs incorporate a research component. In addition, Emory offers a variety of grants for Pre-Health majors interested research.

Plan Ahead!

Careful planning & flexibility make it possible for a Pre-Health major to study abroad, have an enriching experience, and stay on track for graduation. Meet with advisors as early as your first year at Emory.

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3 Study Abroad Myths

1. *There is no room in my schedule.*

Pending approval, courses taken abroad can count towards your GERs and/or major requirements. It may also be possible to take lab sciences abroad. The only courses you may not take abroad are Writing Requirements (unless taken on an Emory Summer Program). Please see the Course Approval list for an idea of some of the courses and their equivalents on Emory-approved semester programs. In addition, your Academic Advisor can assist in course planning to ensure you can complete requirements and study abroad.

2. *I need to take the sequential lab courses (Bio 141 & 142, Chem 141 & 142, etc.) each year to prepare for the MCAT.*

The lab science courses at Emory generally span the entire academic year which does not easily allow for division into one semester abroad and one semester on Emory's campus. Most students who are leaning towards medical school complete their lab sciences and take their MCAT before

their fourth year, leaving the fall of their senior year open for medical school interviews. You can double up your lab sciences during the first two years so you can study abroad your junior year, or you can take lab science courses over the summer to avoid doubling up during the academic year.

3. *Study abroad is too expensive.*

When you study abroad on an Emory-approved semester program, all of your current financial aid can be used for your semester abroad. Such aid for semester programs includes Emory and non-Emory grants, scholarships, federal assistance, state aid, and work-study stipends. Summer financial aid is also available for qualified students. In addition, there are a number of external funding sources available. See the OISP website for additional info.

Volunteer | Conduct Research | Shadow Local Physicians

Previous Emory study abroad students have had excellent professional experiences while studying abroad such as

- Volunteering with an EMS team in Australia
- Clinical shadowing opportunities in England
- Volunteering in health clinics in Chile

that enabled them to gain hands-on experience in another country's healthcare system. Other programs offer service opportunities in healthcare related communities. With support from your academic advisor, you may be able to organize a specific research project with a professor at a foreign university.

Semester Study Abroad Programs

Australia- all 7 universities accommodate course needs of science students; **University of Melbourne** offers biology research track

CIEE Ghana: Arts & Sciences— public health
DIS Copenhagen-biology, neuroscience, health sciences

IES University of Auckland— biology

IES University of Chirstchurch— biology and chemistry

Imperial College London- chemistry majors only
King's College London-special pre-med program, biology, and chemistry

National University of Singapore—biology and chemistry

Queen Mary University of London-biology and chemistry

Queen's University Belfast-biology and chemistry
SIT India (New Delhi)-Public Health, Gender, and Community Action

SIT Chile-Public Health and Traditional Medicine
SIT Jordan: Refugees, Health, and Humanitarian Action

University of Cape Town, South Africa-biology and chemistry

University College Dublin-biology and chemistry

University College London-biology and chemistry

University of Manchester-biology, chemistry, and NBB

University of St. Andrews-biology, chemistry, and NBB

University of Sussex-biology, chemistry, and NBB

Semester Study Abroad Programs cont.

FRANCE: EDUCO PROGRAM

A number of science courses at Paris Diderot (Paris VII) have been preapproved.

Pre-req: FREN 310 level required as courses are taught in French

SPAIN: EMORY SALAMANCA PROGRAM

Health sciences track (offered fall only)— Medical Spanish, Health Communication, and Comparative Healthcare Seminar

Pre-req: SPAN 202 level required as courses are taught in Spanish

Summer Study Abroad Programs

Summer programs are taught by Emory faculty members, and many courses count towards science majors.

ARGENTINA: Argentine Studies

The Medicine and Global Health track expose students to the overarching problem of how mind and body are conceived under different intellectual lenses. **Pre-req:** SPAN 202 recommended; 3.0 GPA

AUSTRALIA: Biology in Australia

Explore the unique evolutionary history of the flora and fauna of Australia. Students are housed at James Cook University and augment their studies with field experience. **Pre-req:** BIO 141/142; 3.0 GPA

ENGLAND: Sociology - Comparative Health

Explore the issues and problems surrounding health care delivery in Great Britain and the United States by comparing and contrasting the social organization of the two health care systems. **Pre-req:** 2.5 GPA

FRANCE: Emory Human Health in Paris

Students explore and experience the historical milieu that has set the standard for modern health care. No French language proficiency required. **Pre-req:** 3.0 GPA

FRANCE: Neuroscience and Behavioral Biology

Students explore France's role in early Neurology and its current research interests. Students visit the Institut Curie or La Cité des Sciences and Hôpital de la Salpêtrière. No French language proficiency required. **Pre-req:** 3.0 GPA; BIOL 141 & 142, CHEM 141 & 142, NBB201 or NBB301 or approved upper-level biology course

INDIA: Tibetan Mind/Body Sciences Program

Students will have the opportunity to learn from some of the best teachers in the western and Tibetan traditions, while actively engaging in dialogue with Tibetan monks and nuns who will be studying neuroscience, biology, and physics in the month-long Emory-Tibet Science Initiative. **Pre-req:** 3.0 GPA

ITALY: Chemistry Studies

Connect chemistry with art, architecture, and the food and wine industry. Students study at the University of Siena. All courses are in English. **Pre-req:** CHEM 222, 222Z or equivalent Organic Chemistry course; 3.0 GPA