

## GLOBAL EXPERIENCE

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Northeastern University strongly endorses global experience as an important dimension of learning. To foster this, it maintains an Office of International Study Programs that has developed a series of programs tailored to the interests and needs of Northeastern University students.

### International Study Programs

While studying abroad in a Northeastern-sponsored program, students maintain full-time Northeastern status and earn Northeastern credits. In all cases and upon successful completion of the program, grades are calculated into students' GPA. Many international study programs fulfill the NU Core requirements for comparative study of cultures and/or experiential learning. A student cannot fulfill both the comparative study of cultures requirement and any other NU Core requirement by taking a single course (or completing a single global experience). Thus, each student successfully completing an approved program could elect to use it to satisfy either the comparative cultures or experiential learning NU Core requirement but could not satisfy both requirements with one experience. For the international affairs major, study abroad also fulfills the international experience requirement. Students may also fulfill additional requirements, depending upon their individual academic plan and approval by their advisor. The minimum requirements for participation are at least 56 semester hours of credit and a GPA of at least 2.200 that also meets the requirement of the host institution abroad. The application deadlines are posted on the Office of International Study Programs' Web site on the "Applying" page.

Students who wish to study abroad should start by researching program opportunities online at [www.oisp.neu.edu](http://www.oisp.neu.edu) or by consulting their departmental or college advisors. Information sessions are offered regularly by the Office of International Study Programs in 301 Ell Hall. Advisors in the Office of International Study Programs provide the final planning assistance. Schedules for information sessions and advisors are posted online and in 301 Ell Hall.

Northeastern University offers four types of study-abroad programs, although not all types are appropriate for some majors. Please see below for a complete list of current study-abroad locations.

**Traditional.** Students are based at a host institution where they attend classes, participate in student activities, and organize their extracurricular schedules just as they do on campus at Northeastern. Some examples include Monash University in Melbourne, Australia; University of Edinburgh in Scotland; and Obirin University in Tokyo, Japan.

**Faculty-Led Summer Programs.** Open to Northeastern University students of any major, the Dialogue of Civilizations Program is a series of "global student exchanges" between students at Northeastern University and students around the world. The goal of each program is (a) to connect NU students with their peers in different national, cultural, political, and social environments and (b) to provide NU students with a "global experience" that builds upon and enhances their academic studies and training in Boston.

**Internship.** These programs offer a combination of classes and related work experience for which students earn academic credit. For example, students typically intern with a member of the Australian Parliament in Canberra, the European Parliament in Brussels, the British Parliament in London, or the Irish Parliament in Dublin.

**International Research.** The focus of the students' time abroad is on an independent research project. In most cases, the study-abroad program organizes small group seminars and field trips that are designed to help students learn about their international environment and focus on a research topic. Students spend three to four weeks toward the end of the semester working on their individual projects. Students may study tropical biology in Costa Rica, history and culture in Vietnam, and oceanography while sailing in the Atlantic/Pacific Cruise Track of the SEA Semester Program.

Following is a sample list of locations where students can study abroad:

<b>Argentina</b> , Buenos Aires	Universidad del Salvador
<b>Atlantic/Pacific Cruise Track</b>	Woods Hole SEA Semester
<b>Australia</b> , Canberra	Australia National University
<b>Australia</b> , Gold Coast	Bond University
<b>Australia</b> , Melbourne	Monash University
<b>Australia</b> , Perth	Curtin University
<b>Australia</b> , Sydney	University of Sydney
<b>Belgium</b> , Leuven	Irish Institute for European and Brussels Affairs
<b>Canada</b> , Vancouver	Simon Fraser University
<b>Chile</b> , Santiago	Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
<b>China</b> , Beijing	Beijing Foreign Studies University
<b>China</b> , Hong Kong	Chinese University of Hong Kong

<b>Costa Rica</b> , Monteverde	Monteverde Biological Research Station
<b>Costa Rica</b> , San Jose	International Center for Sustainable Human Development
<b>Czech Republic</b> , Prague	Charles University
<b>Dominican Republic</b> , Santiago	Pontificia Universidad Católica Madra y Maestra
<b>Dominican Republic</b> , Santo Domingo	Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales
<b>Egypt</b> , Cairo	American University of Cairo
<b>France</b> , Grenobles	Centre Universitaire d'Études Françaises (API)
<b>France</b> , Paris	American University of Paris
<b>Ghana</b> , Legon	University of Ghana
<b>Greece</b> , Thessaloniki	American College of Thessaloniki
<b>Ireland</b> , Dublin	Institute of Public Administration
<b>Italy</b> , Florence	Studio Art Centers International
<b>Italy</b> , Perugia	Umbra Institute
<b>Italy</b> , Rome	American Institute for Roman Culture
<b>Japan</b> , Tokyo	Obirin University
<b>Mexico</b> , Puebla	Universidad de las Américas–Puebla
<b>New Zealand</b> , Auckland	University of Auckland
<b>New Zealand</b> , Christchurch	University of Canterbury
<b>South Africa</b> , Cape Town	University of Cape Town
<b>Spain</b> , Alicante	University of Alicante
<b>Spain</b> , Seville	University of Seville
<b>UK: England</b> , Cambridge	University of Cambridge
<b>UK: England</b> , London	Goldsmith's College
<b>UK: England</b> , London	Hansard Society at London School of Economics
<b>UK: Northern Ireland</b> , Belfast	Queens University
<b>UK: Scotland</b> , Edinburgh	University of Edinburgh

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