

Academic Planning for Study Abroad

Step 1: Research Study Abroad Programs

When selecting a study abroad program, try to find a program that will meet your academic goals, help you progress toward your degree, provide the appropriate amount of support, and has features that are important to you. Visit the following web sites to explore a variety of study abroad programs.

www.egl.project.mnscu.edu
www.stcloudstate.edu/studyabroad
www.mnsu.edu/studyabroad
<http://winona.edu/studyabroad>
www.umabroad.umn.edu
www.arcadia.edu/abroad

Questions to think about when researching programs:

How far in advance should I apply?
What will a typical day be like?
What does the program fee include?
What additional expenses can I expect that are not included in the fee?
Where will I live and whom will I live with?
Will I receive pre-departure information and/or an orientation?
Are my expectations realistic?

Step 2: Academic Planning for Study Abroad

Study abroad can fulfill some credits toward the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC), Associate in Arts (AA) degree, and some of our other programs/degrees at North Hennepin Community College. Meet with Virginia Ferlet, Study Abroad Advisor in the Advising Center, to discuss the required courses for your degree and the study abroad program that interests you. Call 763-424-0703 to schedule an hour appointment.

Step 3: Financial Planning for Study Abroad

- Application fee: \$25 - \$100
- Confirmation deposit: \$400 - \$500
- Housing deposit: \$300 - \$500
- Airfare: \$500 - \$2,000
- Visa fees: \$200- \$1,000
- Passport: \$135-165

Financial Aid

- Complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Schedule a meeting with the financial aid office (763-424-0728) to discuss aid options **before** you apply to a program. A consortium agreement will be needed in most cases.
- Fill out the attached *Budget Planning Worksheet* and bring it with you to your financial aid meeting.
- Explore Scholarship Information: www.iie.org



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