USCA Study Abroad Advising Guide

Types of Study Abroad Programs:
- Exchange Programs
- Affiliate/Direct Enroll Programs
- Group Travel Programs
- Summer Programs/Internships

Eligibility Requirements:
- 2.5 GPA for Group Travel and Affiliate Programs
- 3.0 GPA for Exchange Programs
- Student must be in good academic and financial standing at USCA.

Application Process:
Students must apply through the online application site (TBD). Once approved, students studying through Exchange and Affiliate/Direct Enroll Programs will need to complete the Host University/Program application provided by the USCA Office of International programs.

During preliminary advising and the application process we recommend that students meet with their Faculty Academic Advisor to discuss course needs while abroad, and their Financial Aid Advisor to understand funding availability or limitations for study abroad.

Current Exchange Programs:
IESEG: School of Management, France  *MORE COMING SOON!

How does an Exchange Program work?
- Students pay USCA Tuition and fees
- Following registration into course(s), financial aid normally received applies to USCA bill beginning after the financial aid disbursement as listed on the academic calendar.
- Students pay room, board, and fees directly to the Exchange Program.
- ALL credits return as USCA credits and count toward USCA GPA.
- Student should budget between $3,000-5,000 for additional expenses while abroad such as plane tickets, visa fees, personal and travel expenses.

Current Affiliate/Direct Enroll Programs:
Center for Cross Cultural Studies: Spanish Studies Abroad
CIS Abroad
Learn International

How does an Affiliate/Direct Enroll Program work?
- Students pay ALL fees (tuition, room, board, etc.) to the Affiliate/Direct Enroll Program.
- Federal and state aid or private alternative loans may be applicable. Students should confirm with their Financial Aid Advisor.
- USCA institutional aid does not apply to Affiliate/Direct Enroll programs.
- Credits return as transfer credit and do not count toward USCA academic GPA. GPA from credits abroad may be taken into consideration for Financial Aid.
- Student should budget between $3,000-5,000 for additional expenses while abroad such as plane tickets, visa fees, personal and travel expenses.

Group Travel Programs: International and Domestic
Group Travel Programs vary by year and are offered during fall break winter break, spring break, and summer terms. Cost, credits, and destinations associated with these programs vary and may or may not require students to pay USCA tuition.

Credits: Typically, programs will generally offer between 3-6 credits.

Cost: Most faculty-led programs run between $2,000-5,000 not including USCA tuition. In most cases, Winter and Spring Break programs have tuition built into the Fall and Spring term costs, but summer tuition is an out of pocket expense.

Summer/Internship Programs: These programs are provided through our Exchange or Affiliate/Direct Enroll programs and vary by location, cost, and length of program.