





Semester/
Summer Study
Abroad





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# Study Abroad Info Sessions... Why do I need to attend one?

- They are <u>mandatory</u> the semester you are applying to Study Abroad (SA)
- To be <u>informed</u> of the most up-to-date policies procedures, deadlines, etc. for SA.
- For <u>up-to-date</u> approved program changes.
- Early planning is key!



### Semester/Summer Abroad Polices

#### Study Abroad policies are as follows:

- 1. Students must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 at the time of applying. Students whose GPA falls between 2.70 and 2.99 must submit the Request for Waiver of GPA Requirement form. In special circumstances, QU may approve a waiver in its sole discretion. Students whose GPA falls below 2.70 are not allowed to study abroad. It should be noted that approved study abroad programs may have additional GPA requirements, but QU's must be meet before students apply to a program.
- 2. Students must not have any existing or pending conduct sanctions. Students with a conduct sanction or who have one placed on them after being accepted to study abroad must submit a Request for Waiver of Conduct Clearance. In special circumstances, QU may grant permission to study abroad in its sole discretion.
- GPA and Conduct Waivers can be found on the Study Abroad Portal when filling out your QU application forms.

#### **Abroad Polices**

- 4. **Semester**: Students must maintain full-time student status (i.e., 12-16 class credits) while abroad. In certain countries a normal semester load can consist of 4 courses, which can be equivalent to 12 QU credits. Certain countries you can take courses, however, in certain cases this can be considered a difficult workload and may not be advisable. Students who transfer back more than 16 QU credits will be charged per credit for an overload.
- 5. **Summer**: Students shall be limited to two courses taken abroad during their short-term program. If more courses are requested, then the student must file a variant procedure with the Dean of their college or school.

### **Semester Study Abroad Cost**

- Study Abroad Program Fall 2023 = \$34,680 (tuition/fees and standard room (no meal plan is part of this price)
- Extra fees that the student will be responsible for:
  - Meals
  - Airfare
  - Visa/Immigration Cards
  - Academic materials, lab and field site fees,
  - Public transportation,
  - Personal travel
  - Inclusions and exclusions may vary by program.
  - Withdrawal fees by certain dates

## Summer Program Cost



- When studying through a QU approved short term study abroad program, the student is required to pay the program cost directly to the program.
- The student is responsible for paying QU's study abroad health insurance, and an emergency medical/security service plan...on average \$50 up to a month away to CISI
- Failure to make the required payments will disqualify a student from receiving transfer credit.
   Programs for summer sessions through our affiliates can range from \$3,000-\$12,000 (depends on the program inclusions, length, courses etc.)

### **Financial Aid**

Semester and Summer
Students who receive
financial assistance at QU
may apply their financial aid
for study abroad, including
federal aid, state grants,
college grants and
scholarships.

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### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

### Cost of Living

- Researching the cost of living of the country you want to go to can help you decide how much money you will need
  - Things to consider: Cost of food, transportation, and personal care
- https://www.expatistan.com/cost-of-living
  - Compares costs between cities around the world
  - Ex: Average Cost of Monthly Public Transport Ticket
    - Spain: €49
    - London:£130 (€ 184)



### Housing/Withdraw Policy

- Students are required to reside at the study abroad program resident/program housing (Research your options, student housing is very different outside the USA and not always located on campus) \*\*Homestays often include meals.
- Withdrawal from a program initiated by the student, QU, the Program Affiliate, and/or the Host Institution will result in a loss of fees and tuition in accordance with QU's refund policy and the Program Affiliate refund policy. Depending on the circumstances of the withdrawal, the student may be subject to action based on QU's Student Conduct System. Regardless of the reason and effective date of withdrawal, it is the responsibility of students to immediately notify their Program Affiliate and QU's Department of Cultural and Global Engagement in writing and to understand the implications of their withdrawal actions.

### **Semester Abroad Grading Policy**

- **Semester**: For QU students studying abroad, the credits and grades for approved courses taken abroad become part of the students' academic transcript, and all grades will be included in the calculation of the students' GPA.
- **Summer**: QU students studying abroad, the **credits** for approved courses taken abroad become part of the students 'academic transcript, and all grades will transfer as a **T** if a student receives **C** or higher.
- Grades are the exclusive prerogative of the faculty members teaching the courses. If students have questions about grading in any course, they must consult the faculty member teaching that course. Questions involving grades issued for study abroad course undertaken through other institutions should be directed to those institutions.
- QU will not change grades issued by another institution.

# The study abroad program must be preapproved by DCGE and visible on our <u>Study</u> <u>Abroad PORTAL</u> in order to apply



### QU STEPS FOR STUDYING ABROAD



## Step 1: Study Abroad Advising/Identifying a Study Abroad Program

- Attend a required Study Abroad Information Session
- Research approved Program Options on QU's Study Abroad Portal https://educationabroad.qu.edu/
- Meet with your Academic Advisor: Schedule a meeting with your Academic Advisor to discuss your interest in Studying Abroad and determine how you will fulfill graduation requirements through a Study Abroad program

### **Step 2: Important Deadlines**

March 1st -- If necessary, submit a Request for Waiver of GPA Requirement and/or Conduct Clearance for Fall/Summer semester

\*\*\*Even though your Program Affiliate may have difference GPA/and or Conduct requirements/ deadlines, it is required to submit these forms if needed by the above stated QU deadlines. Failure to adhere to these deadlines will prohibit you from studying abroad.

March 15th -- Pre-Decision forms for Fall/Summer programs

\*\*\* Even though your Program Affiliate may have application deadlines after the above stated QU deadlines, you will not be approved by QU to study abroad after the above stated dates. Therefore, you must be accepted into your approved program, and have uploaded copies of your acceptance letter to your online Study Abroad Portal account by the dates above. Failure to adhere to these deadlines will prohibit you from studying abroad.

April 15th -- Post Decisions forms due for students studying abroad during

the Fall/Summer programs

\*\*\* Once you have been approved to study abroad from the DCGE office, you must complete all post decision forms on your study abroad online portal account, April 15th (Fall/Summer). Post Decision Forms must be submitted by the dates above. Failure to adhere to these deadlines will prohibit you from studying abroad.

# Step 3: Applying to your Study Abroad Program: All students are responsible for applying directly to their program affiliate:

- Application review process can take up to 2 weeks before being accepted by your program
- Any documents needed to be reviewed and approved must be emailed to <a href="mailto:study.abroad@Quinnipiac.edu">study.abroad@Quinnipiac.edu</a>.
- Programs often ask for Official Transcript, which can be requested HERE: <a href="https://www.parchment.com/u/registration/33423/institution">https://www.parchment.com/u/registration/33423/institution</a>
- Apply to **One** Program <u>ONLY</u>

# APPLY SOON! THE CLOCK is TICKING



### Step 4: Preparing to Go

- To help prepare you for your experience, there will be a Mandatory Predeparture Orientation Program before you leave campus. Orientation includes discussion of safety/security while abroad, QU academic regulations and policies, etc.
- If you do not already have a valid <u>Passport</u>, <u>Apply for your Passport</u> <u>NOW! Passport must be valid up to 6months from your return home</u>.
- Verify IF you will be required to obtain a <u>Student Visa</u> to enter the country of your study abroad program!
  - Review the Host Country <u>Embassy website to learn more about Entry Visa requirements</u>
- Make flight arrangements with guidance from your program to arrive in your Host City on the required arrival date from your program
- Learn more about the Health and Safety of the locations you will experience abroad
  - U.S. State Department Country Specific Information
  - Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

### Preparing to Go

Get to know your Host Country(research)

### Health, Accessibility Questions, etc.

If you've always wanted to study abroad, think about what you'd like to experience—and what challenges you're ready to take on—and talk to QU's disability/learning center/Health Center, and the DCGE to decide which programs are best for your goals and abilities.

### Study Abroad Health Insurance

 It is mandatory that each student be enrolled into CISI Study Abroad Accident and Sickness Health Insurance Plan which includes AXA Global Medical and Security Assistance Plan. For more information on CISI <u>Click HERE</u>

# ONLINE/HYBRID Blogging COURSE



Enrollment for this course will be emailed to all students in April

### Language Abroad

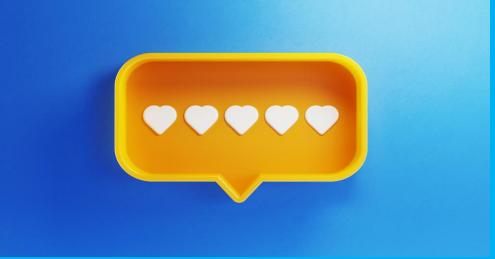
Students are often required to take a language course in the country they are studying. Especially, if English is not the primary language of the country. There will be language placement test taken at the host institution. These tests will determine what level language course you must take. It may be the case that you are placed in a language course that you have already taken at QU. Be sure to think about this as you plan your time abroad and course planning with your advisor.

### **INFORM YOUR Family...**

Inform your Family about the Study Abroad Process. If they have questions, please tell them to ask you to ask us, so we can inform you, 'the student' and then you can inform your family. It Is extremely important that the student is aware of the Study Abroad Process. It is a big decision and can be an enriching experience to travel abroad, and we want to educate the student (which should educate their family) on the correct policies and procedures in studying abroad.

Thank you!





# Study abroad Advising



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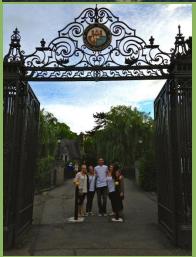


## QU UNIVERSITY COLLEGE CORK, IRELAND



### QU University College Cork, Ireland









### Important Details for Ireland, Cork Program

- Due to housing capacity/restrictions in Cork
- Fall and Spring numbers may be balanced based on application date.
- BIO211 will be offered in Fall
- BIO212 will be offered in Spring



# Summer **Programs**



