

Information for Study Abroad

UM Programs

- The [Center for Global and Intercultural Study](#) (CGIS) is the UM office that coordinates LSA study abroad programs. Visit the CGIS website for study abroad information ([lsa.umich.edu/cgis](#)), and visit their [MCompass](#) site to search for specific programs ([mcompass.umich.edu](#)). All program coordination will be handled through CGIS for UM abroad programs.
- Starting in the Fall term 2014, grades from all UM study abroad programs will appear on your UM transcript and count in your UM gpa. You may take abroad courses P/F, but remember that P/F courses cannot count toward your major or minor.
- You can also explore programs through other UM schools and colleges (Ross, Engineering, etc.) by visiting the websites for those programs. Grading policies may vary.

Non-UM Programs

Choose a Program

- The UM International Center website is an excellent comprehensive resource: [internationalcenter.umich.edu/swt/](#)
- Decide on the program you wish to pursue ([studyabroad.com](#) and [goabroad.com](#) are comprehensive, searchable websites).
- Consider programs through institutions in your home state, as you are often eligible for in-state tuition.

Determine Possible Transfer Credit

- Consult the Transfer Credit Equivalency lists to determine if the courses you are considering have already been evaluated: [Transfer Credit Equivalency Search Form](#). If the courses you are considering do not appear on the equivalency sheets, this does not mean they won't transfer; it may just be that no one has tried to transfer them recently. Follow the next step on this sheet for an individual pre-evaluation.
- Complete and submit the [Transfer Credit Equivalency Request Form](#) for any courses you plan to take that are not listed on the equivalency lists. You can fill out more than one TCE form if needed.
- Once your credit has been reviewed by the evaluators, you may submit your abroad course descriptions to your LSA advisor to determine possible distribution credit, and to your major/minor advisor(s) to determine any courses that can fulfill major/minor requirements. See the appropriate language department to determine how language courses will transfer.
- Grades from non-UM programs are posted as "T" (for "Transfer") on the UM transcript and do not affect the UM gpa.
- **OS will accept a maximum of two study abroad courses toward your OS major.**

Before You Leave

- **Register your travel in the [Global Travel Registry](#).** This is a secure online Wolverine Access-based Travel Registry, which allows you to provide UM with your itinerary and emergency contact information. The site also includes a helpful Preparation Checklist with important information on travel documentation, travel health insurance, etc.
- It is recommended that all students obtain travel abroad health insurance. ***If you are being sponsored by OS or UM in any way, you are required to obtain UM's travel abroad health insurance.***
- Change your address on Wolverine Access if needed to have UM mailings forwarded to you, and make sure you are not registered for UM classes for the semester you are abroad. Also, be sure to terminate any housing or meal contracts. For information on housing possibilities when you return, call the Housing Office at 734-764-7455.

After Arriving at Your Abroad Program Destination

- Once your schedule is finalized, ***have your program coordinator email or fax a signed letter stating the number of credits you are registered for to the UM Registrar's Office*** (ro.registration.questions@umich.edu, or 734-763-9053). These credits will then be added to your total credits to ensure that you receive a registration appointment for the following term that accurately reflects your academic standing. Contact the Registrar's Office at the email above if you have any difficulties.
- Inform your program sponsor that upon completion of your program, an official transcript should be sent to:
Office of Undergraduate Admissions
515 E. Jefferson
300 Student Activities Building
Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1316

Funding: The following links contain helpful information about financing your study abroad experience. Some funding sources may be limited to those attending UM programs, but others are open to non-UM programs as well.

- OS Study Abroad Scholarship, [lsa.umich.edu/orgstudies/currentstudents/scholarshipsandawards](#)
- MCompass, [mcompass.umich.edu/](#), finances tab
- LSA Scholarships, [lsa.umich.edu/students/scholarships/currentstudents](#)
- Also check with departments in your major/minor areas as well as language and area studies departments
- Barger Leadership Institute (BLI) Global Scholarship (see website for eligibility), [lsa.umich.edu/bli/awardsgrants](#)