Study Abroad

The UW Study Abroad Office provides hundreds of study abroad and internship options to UW students. Students should visit the Study Abroad web site or the Study Abroad office in Schmitz Hall room 459 to explore all the various opportunities.

University Exchanges

UW has more than 70 student exchanges with universities around the world that are available to undergraduate and graduate students in most fields of study. Exchange participants pay an exchange fee equal to UW tuition and attend regular classes at the partner university for a semester or an academic year. Instruction is generally in the language of the host country.

UW Programs

UW Programs offer students the opportunity to study abroad with programs organized and taught by UW faculty. UW Program dates generally correspond with UW term dates. Participants receive 12-15 UW credits for full quarter options and 6-15 credits for Summer A or Summer B programs.

Exploration Seminars

Exploration Seminars are short term (3-4 week) seminars led by UW faculty. The Exploration Seminars take place during the gap period between the end of the UW summer quarter and beginning of autumn quarter. Most Exploration Seminars do not require foreign language background. Students earn five credits for the seminar.

Affiliated Programs

Affiliated Programs are UW approved study abroad options administered by other universities, study abroad program providers, or foreign language schools. Depending on the program, instruction may be in English, the language of the host country, or a combination of the two. Some Affiliated Programs focus on specific topics while others offer a wide range of course options in various subjects to meet student needs. Affiliated programs vary in length from one quarter, to one semester, to an entire year. Participants receive regular UW credit for coursework completed.

IE3 internships

IE3 internships are geared toward students who would like to integrate academic credit with on-the-job experience and gain professional and cultural skills abroad. Internships are available in a variety of non-governmental organizations, educational institutions, and private organizations around the world. Host organizations provide supervision and logistical support for students in the host country. Many internships require foreign language proficiency, though numerous English language internships are available. IE3 Internships are well-suited for self-motivated, independent students who desire hands-on, practical experience abroad.