Study Abroad for Majors in the School of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures (SLLC)

**MYTHS BUSTED!**

**MYTH:** I could never afford to study abroad.
**TRUTH:** You can apply your regular financial aid and scholarships toward the cost of studying abroad. There are national and UMD scholarships specifically for study abroad too!

**MYTH:** I can only study abroad my junior year.
**TRUTH:** Students can study abroad as soon as their first winter term at UMD. Work with your academic advisor to determine where in your academic program studying abroad fits best. You can even study abroad your last semester or the summer after graduation!

**MYTH:** I can’t go away for a whole semester so I can’t study abroad.
**TRUTH:** UMD offers semester, year-long, winter, summer, and spring break options. Because UMD offers so many different types of programs, study abroad doesn’t have to delay graduation, either!

**MYTH:** I don’t speak a foreign language so I can’t study abroad.
**TRUTH:** UMD and our partners offer programs all over the world where introductory levels of language are taught. Additionally, most programs offer English as the language of instruction. Studying abroad can enhance your current language skills or teach you new ones!

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**ARHU Students: Get Globally Engaged**

ARHU encourages students to see the world from inside another culture. We hope the experience will help our students understand and appreciate how other people think, what they value, how they live their lives as an individual and as a society, and how they view themselves in the larger world.

*Open your heart and mind: Be Worldwise!*

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**Why Should SLLC Majors Study Abroad?**

- Advance your language skills and experience another culture in every conversation!!
- Explore historical events through an intercultural perspective.
- Enjoy living in places that inspired the world’s greatest civilizations!
- Gain a personal perspective on another language, literature, and culture.
- Expand your cross-cultural communication skills.
- Develop a global network for graduate school and the job market.
- Demonstrate to employers your adaptability, flexibility and ability to succeed in diverse settings!
- Don’t just “think outside the box,” BE “outside the box!”

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**Get Going! How to Plan for Study Abroad:**

- Discuss study abroad with your advisors in your departmental major and your college.
- Research programs on the Education Abroad website.
- Meet with a Peer Mentor if you need help exploring your options and refining your goals for study abroad.
- Research financial aid and scholarships.
- Apply! Our online application is easy.
- Apply for a passport (can take up to 12 weeks).
- Complete pre-departure paperwork to know how credits will apply to your degree.
- Just go away!

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Excited? Now explore all the amazing places you can Just Go Away!

SLLC majors can choose from a diverse array of programs in locations across the globe. The list below represents only a sampling of options available to you. There are numerous other opportunities if you don’t see a program that appeals to you! Please note that ALL programs offer additional courses for elective and CORE credit. Please check with an ARHU advisor for additional information. Check out the Education Abroad website or come in and meet with a Peer Mentor, who can help you explore other options!

**Asia:**
- China: Maryland-in-Beijing (UMD); Maryland-in-Shanghai (UMD); Sichuan University (Exchange); UMD faculty led short term courses available
- Japan: Exchanges-in-Japan
- S. Korea: Exchanges-in-South Korea
- Taiwan: National Taiwan University (Exchange)

**Australia and New Zealand:**
- Australia: Macquarie University (Exchange or Direct Enroll)
- Australia and New Zealand: Education Abroad Network (UMD Partners—Various Locations)

**Europe:**
- Austria: University of Vienna (Exchange)
- France: Maryland-in-Nice (UMD); Pau (USAC); UMD faculty led short term courses available
- Germany: Maryland-in-Berlin (UMD); Lüneburg (USAC); Tübingen (UMD partner program)
- Italy: Maryland-in-Rome (UMD); Viterbo (USAC); UMD faculty led short term courses available
- Russia: ACTR (UMD Partners—Various Locations)
- Spain: Maryland-in-Sevilla (UMD); Alicante (USAC); Madrid (USAC); San Sebastian (USAC); UMD faculty led short term courses available

**Latin America:**
- Argentina: Universidad de San Andres (Exchange)
- Brazil: PUC-Rio de Janeiro (Exchange)
- Chile: Santiago (USAC)
- Costa Rica: Heredia (USAC); Puntarenas (USAC)
- Mexico: Puebla (USAC)

**Middle East:**
- Israel: Maryland-in-Haifa (UMD)

Glossary of program types:
- **UMD**: Maryland-in-semester program or UMD faculty-led short term program
- **UMD Partner**: program administered by a partner university or organization
- **USAC**: program administered by the University Studies Abroad Consortium, of which UMD is a member
- **Exchange**: UMD exchange partner. Good option for independent, flexible, academically motivated student

**College or major specific information:**
- SLLC majors can study abroad at any time during their time at the University of Maryland.
- Please make sure to meet with your departmental advisor to start planning your study abroad experience.
- Please note that there are several programs abroad run by SLLC faculty members in which you might want to participate; these include both winter and summer programs which can fit into your program of study.

**Make it Happen!**
You’ve got the facts, now make study abroad a reality! Visit EA in 1125 Holzapfel, email an EA Peer Mentor at eapeers@umd.edu or search for a program at http://myEA.umd.edu. We are here to help you add a life-changing international experience to your undergraduate education. So just go away...and study abroad!