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The Office of International Education (OIE), located in B101 of the Living/Learning Center, is an advising and resource center for students interested in a year, semester, short-term, or summer study abroad experience. Study abroad advisors maintain extensive information about study abroad opportunities within UVM's approved portfolio. They, in conjunction with the academic advisor and the Office of Transfer Affairs, help students identify programs appropriate to their needs, apply and prepare for departure, and arrange credit transfers back to UVM. UVM Students who intend to study abroad may select from an approved study abroad program as found in UVM's GoAbroad database and must complete all application materials and pre-departure requirements by appropriate deadlines. Program types carry differences in terms of financial aid, program structure, and requirements, and it is the responsibility of the student to inform themselves and ensure the program meets their needs.

There is a \$500 study abroad fee for semester and year-long programs and a \$250 fee for summer programs. This is in addition to cost for the program itself.

Students may apply for study abroad beginning in their first year at UVM, and must meet eligibility requirements listed below for UVM, as well as for the approved study abroad program and/or foreign institution.

- Have been admitted to UVM as a degree-seeking student and have been enrolled in UVM classes as a degree-seeking student the semester before the planned study abroad term. Continuing Education students are only eligible to study abroad on short-term UVM Travel Study programs.
- Have completed one semester as a full-time, matriculated student at UVM by time of application and have attained at least sophomore standing by the start of their term abroad. Short-term UVM Travel Study courses do not have a minimum class standing by program type and vary by individual course, as set by the sponsoring unit and faculty, outlined in GoAbroad.
- Have a minimum UVM cumulative GPA of 2.50. Students with a cumulative GPA under a 2.50 and above a 2.00 may seek permission to study abroad by submitting an Academic Eligibility Exception Form to their academic dean's student services office for consideration and receive approval by Office of International Education study abroad leadership.
- Have approval by the academic dean's student services office associated with the student's area of study.
- Have not been academically dismissed, nor be on academic trial or probation.
- Have not ever been suspended, nor be on deferred suspension at the time of application.

More stringent conduct record eligibility requirements may be imposed by UVM short-term, semester or exchange programs as stated in their applications.

Students who are on a leave of absence or otherwise are not enrolled in UVM classes the semester prior to the planned study abroad term must be granted permission by their academic dean's student services office and Office of International Education study abroad leadership.

After initial UVM approval is granted and until departure, students must maintain good academic and behavioral standing until departing to study abroad for the UVM approval to become final.

For more information about study abroad, visit the Office of International Education website.