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. They, in conjunction with the academic advisor and the Office of Transfer Affairs, help students identify programs appropriate to their needs and arrange credit evaluation from UVM. All students who intend to study abroad are required to have their study abroad program officially approved by the Office of International Education prior to departure. Contact the OIE for deadlines. Official approval is required for students to confirm that their programs of study are eligible for appropriate financial aid, where applicable. There is a $500 study abroad fee for semester and year-long programs and a $250 fee for summer programs.

To be eligible to apply for a semester or more, a student 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 programs.)
- Have completed one semester as a full-time, matriculated student at UVM and have attained at least sophomore standing.
- 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 form (AEF) to their academic dean’s student services office for consideration. Contact OIE to make an appointment with a study abroad advisor to discuss eligibility requirements and to pick up an AEF.
- 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 the Assistant Director of Study Abroad.

After initial UVM approval is granted, 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.