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As the international office of a Catholic, Jesuit university, the Office of International Education (OIE), as a catalyst for comprehensive internationalization, educates the greater Marquette community to become interculturally competent women and men for others through mutually beneficial collaborations in teaching, research, and service.

Study Abroad Learning Outcomes

After completing a Study Abroad program, a Marquette student is able to:

1. Appreciate others he/she encounters from different backgrounds.
2. Describe the basic structures of the society of the host country (government, economy and commerce, health care, education, social services, religion, etc.).
3. Recognize one’s self and cultural context in relation to others.
4. Demonstrate a commitment to social responsibility in the global sphere.
5. Function effectively within a new environment or system.
6. Demonstrate a level of facility communicating with people from other ethnic and/or linguistic backgrounds.

In order to facilitate and achieve the above outcomes, Marquette offers a diverse palette of academic year, semester, summer and short-term faculty-led programs. These include Marquette sponsored programs with on-site directors, exchange and study abroad programs with partner universities and short-term faculty-led programs.

Students are encouraged to inquire about study abroad opportunities as early as freshman year with the Office of International Education and within their colleges. Students should regularly refer to the list of ever expanding available programs on the OIE website (http://www.mu.edu/oie).

Policies and Procedures

All Marquette students seeking academic credit from an overseas institution toward their degree at Marquette University are required to follow the study-abroad policies and procedures as outlined below, in the study abroad handbook, and on the Marquette Study Abroad website (http://www.mu.edu/abroad). This applies to all students regardless of the length of the term abroad and the sponsoring institution.

- Students planning to study abroad must be in good academic and disciplinary standing.
- All students planning to study abroad are required to have at least one meeting with an adviser in the Office of International Education (Note: College of Business Administration students must meet with Dr. Jamshid Hosseini)
- All Marquette students, regardless of college or program, must attend the general pre-departure session and program-specific orientation held at the end of the semester prior to studying abroad. Students must also attend the Sexual Violence Prevention Training for study abroad.
- All students planning to study abroad for academic credit are required to complete and submit the general Marquette study abroad required online application by October 1 for the spring semester and by March 1 for the summer term, fall semester, or academic year. Upon acceptance to a program, students will also be required to submit additional materials and, if necessary, complete further program specific requirements. General and program-specific documents and a time line of the application process can be found on the Study Abroad website (http://www.mu.edu/abroad).
- Students are responsible for informing the Office of International Education of any changes or cancellations to their study abroad plans that may occur after the deadline for submitting the general Marquette study abroad required documents on October 1 or March 1. Students are also responsible for informing their program of any changes and/or cancellations throughout their study abroad experience.
- In order to maintain continuous enrollment, all students who will be studying abroad (both during the academic year and summer) must register for the appropriate study abroad course as advised by the Office of International Education. These courses are limited to use by students earning credit through an approved institution abroad. All study abroad must be approved by Marquette prior to enrollment in the study abroad placeholder course.
- All students are required to enroll in the mandatory comprehensive overseas health insurance program through HTH International Health Insurance for the duration of their studies abroad.
- Students are responsible for obtaining all necessary travel documents including, but not limited to, passports, visas and airline tickets.
- Students are responsible for coordinating any and all housing arrangements at Marquette and at their study abroad location for the semester or year they are away and for the semester they return to campus.
- Students may study abroad through other approved non-Marquette programs subject to approval from the Office of International Education and their college. Any students studying through approved non-Marquette programs must complete all required Marquette application procedures and are also required to complete a consortium agreement between Marquette and the sponsoring institution provided that any of the following are true:
  1. The student is seeking any financial aid (including alternative loans) for the term of study abroad (applies to the fall, spring and summer terms) and/or
2. The student needs verification of at least half-time enrollment in order to defer loan repayments due to a prior history of receiving federal financial aid (applies to semester terms only) and/or
3. The student needs full-time enrollment for health insurance purposes (applies to semester terms only).