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STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES IN PHILOSOPHY

BENEFITS OF STUDY ABROAD

- Expand your cross-cultural communication and problem-solving skills
- Learn international perspectives in philosophy
- Prepare you to work in an increasingly diverse and international workplace
- Globalize your world view
- Improve your language skill

Study abroad is an exciting way to discover new approaches to the study of philosophy and build your professional skills. You can study in your major, pick up a second language, complete research on a special topic of your choice related to philosophy, do an internship while overseas, or find one program with a combination of these components. Spend a mini-mester, the summer, a semester or an academic year abroad to enhance your cross-cultural skills, language ability, or professional experience.

STEPS TO STUDY ABROAD

Attend an Information Session or Consult the Web. Information sessions are held regularly. You may attend a brief, one-hour session or consult the website listed below to learn more about study abroad.

Research, Research, Research Investigate potential study abroad locations based on your interest and personal goals for an international experience. Do you want to improve your second language skills? Are you looking for a guided experience or are you more independent? Do you want to be with lots of other students from the U.S. or would you like to be “one of the crowd” with host country students?

Requirements UTSA requires a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above. You should generally have at least 30 credit hours at the time of application. Check language requirements for non-English speaking countries.

Consult the Study Abroad Library. Check out the resources at the Office of International Programs (MB 1.210) for more information on program details, costs, and other information.

Consult your Advisor. Speak with your academic advisor to determine whether credits from your desired program will transfer back to UTSA. You will need to gather descriptions of courses in which you are interested in taking while abroad and meet with your advisor. He/she will help you determine if you will be able to receive credit for the experience.

Apply! Complete the necessary application(s) for UTSA and your chosen program. You must submit your documents and pay required fees by the established deadlines.

Attend Pre-Departure Orientation. All outgoing students must attend the Pre-Departure Orientation given by the Office of International Programs. You will be given the date and time well in advance and must make plans to attend. If you cannot attend, you must contact your Study Abroad Advisor and make arrangements.

Scholarships and Financial Aid The University of Texas at San Antonio offers scholarships to students studying abroad. These scholarships range from \$300 to \$3,600 per student. Application forms are available in the Office of International Programs. Many students are surprised to learn that their existing financial aid, including their federal aid, is frequently transferable to studying abroad. UTSA allows students to use all federal, state and institutional aid for study abroad programs. Generally, federal financial aid requires that you earn academic credit toward your degree program while you are abroad in order for the experience to be eligible for aid. So volunteer programs, for example, are less likely to be eligible for aid. If you already receive financial aid and have already completed your FAFSA form for the academic year in which you intend to study abroad, you won't need to submit another one. However, if you've never submitted a FAFSA form before, you should leave yourself plenty of time to do so.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

**International Education Fund and Study Abroad application at UTSA.*

Spring-Oct. 15 Summer-Feb. 15 Fall-Mar. 15

Affiliate Programs

Italy

John Cabot University (Rome)

Founded in 1972, John Cabot University is an independent, four year liberal arts U.S. accredited university located in Rome. Centrally positioned in the quaint Trastevere neighborhood, JCU is only a short walk away from the Tiber River and many of Rome's most historic sites. The school is named after the Italian navigator, Giovanni Caboto, or John Cabot, whose exploration helped to open relations between Italy, England, and North America. Students interested in philosophy may consider taking *Philosophy of Art and Beauty*, *Women in Philosophy*, *Modern Philosophy* and *Ancient Philosophy*. (Sponsor: API)

France

Catholic University of Paris

Paris, with its rich history and diverse population, provides the perfect backdrop for students to enrich their understanding of the French language and culture. The Seine River divides the city into two banks, each with its own character. The Rive Droite (Right Bank), with its spacious boulevards and formal buildings, has a more somber and genteel feeling than the carefree and bohemian Rive Gauche (Left Bank). The intellectual atmosphere of the left bank has attracted creative thinkers to the Quartier Latin for over 700 years, making it a center for cultural and academic activity. Students in Paris will be surrounded by beautiful parks and gardens, cuisine from all corners of the world, the latest fashions, bustling cafes, and nightclubs. Courses of interest may include *The History of Philosophy in France*. (Sponsor: ISA)

Denmark

Danish Institute for Study Abroad (Copenhagen)

Established in 1959, DIS is known among sending universities and former students to be intensive, demanding, and rewarding. DIS' unique academic environment, with courses including study tours and a focus on hands-on learning, has been developed over the last half century. The curriculum is challenging, and in many ways different from established university traditions in both the United States and Europe. DIS offers a comprehensive study abroad program, including unique housing opportunities and many highly appreciated program elements not normally available through study abroad. At DIS, you may select any combination of courses that you wish, as long as you meet the course prerequisites. Students of philosophy have the opportunity to study *Biomedical Ethics*, *The Making of the Modern Self* and *Kierkegaard: Philosophy and the Meaning of Life*. (Sponsor: DIS)

Czech Republic

Anglo-American University in Prague

Largely unspoiled by the ravages of time, and widely recognized as one of the most beautiful in the world, Prague has recently re-emerged as one of Europe's leading cities. Serving as a major economic and cultural center of the Czech Republic, Prague is a modern city that still retains the original allure of a former age. Study Liberal Arts & Social Sciences in Prague during a semester, year, or summer session. Courses are instructed in English with optional Czech language courses. All courses are instructed at

Anglo-American College in Prague & offer college academic credit. You'll also be able to immerse yourself in university life by taking classes with Czech and international students in a wide variety of subject areas. Optional courses include *Modern Intellectual History* and *Comparative World Views*. (Sponsor: CEA)

Ghana

Ashesi University (Accra)

The CIEE Study Center at Ashesi University provides an opportunity for students from all academic disciplines to live and study in Ghana, learning first-hand about the country and its people, while continuing to pursue their own academic goals. These goals are achieved through integrated study with Ghanaian students and immersion into the cultural and social life of the University and the surrounding community. Students may choose from offerings among Ashesi University's liberal arts core, business administration, or computer science curricula. In addition, students can select from Ashesi University's interdisciplinary Africana Studies Program courses. Students may want to take *African Philosophical Thought*. (Sponsor: CIEE)

Australia

Macquarie University (Sydney)

Sydney, a vibrant cosmopolitan city built around one of the world's most spectacular harbors, is known for year round sunshine, beautiful beaches and relaxed friendly people, all of which define the city's perfect balance of rich culture, commercial bustle and endless recreation. Sydney's diverse multiculturalism and laidback "no worries" attitude provides an enormous range of friendly social settings, fine cuisine and world-class entertainment. Students may choose either the Full Curriculum Program, which allows you to further your studies in almost any major while living in the suburbs of Sydney, or the International Internship Program, designed for students who want to gain valuable experience in the workplace while also earning academic credit. Both options are offered at Macquarie University. Under the university's philosophy program, there are a full array of classes which include *Freedom and Alienation*, *Social Philosophy*, *Agency and the Self*, *Truth and Existence* and *Practical Ethics*. (Sponsor: CEA)

New Zealand

University of Waikato (Hamilton)

The University of Waikato is a government funded and internationally recognized research university that offers high quality education to students of all nationalities. It was established in 1964 and occupies a beautifully green and spacious 158-acre garden campus on Hamilton city's green-belt. In 2005, 13,500 students were enrolled at the University of Waikato, including 2,300 international students. The University of Waikato is located in the scenic river city of Hamilton, New Zealand's fourth largest city in the central area of the North Island. The name "Waikato" is a Maori word, meaning "running water," and is the name of both the local province, and the river running through Hamilton. The Maori character of the campus is an important aspect of the University of Waikato's identity. The university offers an excellent philosophy program with classes that include *Minds and Machines*, *Knowledge and Reality*, *Ethical Theory*, and *Environmental Ethics*. (Sponsor: AustralLearn)

England

Queen Mary University of London

Queen Mary is one of the larger multi-faculty institutions of the internationally-renowned University of London. It is also

dynamic and future-focused, with a contemporary approach towards education, life and culture. Queen Mary is situated in the heart of the East End, an area of London with a rich past, but also one which has become one of the capital's most vibrant and exciting areas today. London is, in addition to being the center of British politics, business, art, music, and culture, a great city for students. There is always lots to do and see, and many opportunities for research, study, entertainment, and fun. Queen Mary boasts world-class research and teaching in philosophy, with pioneering work in such topics as: logic, political philosophy, legal philosophy, moral philosophy, aesthetics, literary criticism, theory of history, philosophy of science, medical ethics, philosophy of mathematics, philosophy of language, intellectual history, Medieval and Renaissance thought, early modernism, the Enlightenment, German idealism, phenomenology, existentialism, philosophy of the mind, sociology, psychoanalysis, human rights, feminism, race theory, post-colonial theory, post-structuralism, queer theory, deconstructionism and post-modernism. (Sponsor: SUNY-Brockport)

Wales

Cardiff University (Cardiff)

For a truly British experience at a top-notch university, consider spending a semester or year at Cardiff University. One of the leading research institutions in the United Kingdom, Cardiff also ranked high on the 2006 League Table and was one of five finalists for "University of the Year" by the Sunday Times of London. Unlike most urban universities in the U.K., Cardiff University is a campus-based institution located in the heart of cosmopolitan Cardiff. This unique distinction gives students the coziness of a campus environment and easy travel between courses and housing, while also providing quick access to the city of Cardiff and all the big-city amenities it has to offer. Relevant courses for students pursuing philosophy include *Spanish and Philosophy*, *History of Ideas and Philosophy*, *Cultural Criticism and Philosophy* and *Archeology and the History of Ideas*. (Sponsor: IFSA-Butler)

Scotland

University of Edinburgh

Edinburgh, the capital of Scotland since the 11th century, is one of the most beautiful cities in Europe. Known as the 'Athens of the North,' Edinburgh is rich in history and tradition. The University of Edinburgh was founded in 1583 and is now one of the largest universities in Britain. It has an international reputation for academic excellence in traditional disciplines and new subjects. The active Edinburgh University Students' Association has extensive facilities, including a library, cafeterias, bars and shops. The university has a full-fledged philosophy program that offers classes such as *Normative Theory*, *Applied Ethics*, *Feminism*, *Moral Psychology*, *Agency and Reason* and *Theories of Truth*. (Sponsor: IFSA-Butler)

Ireland

University College Dublin

UCD, officially known as University College Dublin National University of Ireland, Dublin, is the largest university in Ireland with over 12,000 students. The university is located on the outside of Dublin's city center. The main campus of Belfield covers 300 acres. An extensive bus system makes it very simple to travel to downtown. Buses leave every few minutes from campus. Students can study in over 35 departments. Past IFSA-Butler students have taken courses in every department, from

history to mathematics. Science students are able to choose from several departments. Students studying for the full year or fall semester also will be able to take introductory courses in Irish studies. The university has an excellent department of philosophy which offers such courses as *Philosophy of Being*, *Hume and Kant*, *Questions of God*, *Philosophy of Mind*, *Philosophy of Language* and *Rationalism and Empiricism*. (Sponsor: IFSA-Butler)

Northern Ireland

University of Ulster (Coleraine)

Enjoy the beautiful natural wonders of Northern Ireland while studying at one of the University of Ulster's four campuses. You'll experience full integration with host university students and a good selection of coursework. The quiet market town of Coleraine lies in the peaceful countryside just five miles from quaint seaside villages on the Antrim Coast. A short distance away, Magee nestles on a hillside within the walled city of Londonderry. Choose a borough just outside of Belfast, or Belfast itself with all its cultural offerings. The Institute for Study Abroad, Butler University welcomes students from all majors on its program at the University of Ulster. Philosophy students may consider taking *Reason and Religion*, *Ethics and Community*, *The Kantian Synthesis* and *Recent Moral Philosophy*. (Sponsor: IFSA-Butler)

Japan

Sophia University in Tokyo

The CIEE Study Center at Sophia University is designed to provide students with superior cross-cultural and language training by way of intensive Japanese language course work, offering a range of courses in various disciplines, a managed home stay program, and providing on-site staff to support the students. Students have the option of taking several different philosophy courses including *Issues in Japanese Thought*, *Sacred Time and Space* and *Western Traditions in the Modern World*. (Sponsor: CIEE)

South Africa

University of Capetown (Capetown)

The CIEE Study Center at the University of Cape Town provides students with a range of academic and intellectual experiences that enable them to reflect upon the complexities and challenges facing the new South Africa. Through integration in local communities, students become participants in, rather than mere observers of, this dynamic and evolving environment. Through this process, students gain a comprehensive understanding of social relations within South Africa. The rich academic program, established in 1998, allows students to pursue their own academic studies while providing first-hand knowledge of contemporary South African society. Students are required to enroll in at least one course with specific African content or one that offers a distinctive African perspective in their area of interest. Alternatively, students can enroll in the independent study option. Courses may be taken in all University of Cape Town faculties excluding Health Sciences. Those interested in philosophy may take *Classical Political Philosophy*, *Applied Ethics*, *Language, Thought and Reality* and *Logic and Epistemology*. (Sponsor: CIEE)

Spain

Fundacion Jose Ortega y Gasset

The Fundación José Ortega y Gasset is a degree-granting institution that focuses on strengthening knowledge of Spanish

language and culture through a wide range of course offerings in language, anthropology, art history, literature, history, politics, and economics. You can enroll in five or six, three-credit courses per semester, for a total of 15-18 hours of credit. Six credits must be in Spanish language at a level that matches your proficiency. Courses are taught exclusively in Spanish, by Spanish professors. Therefore, the program requires that you have 4 semesters (or the equivalent level of proficiency) of Spanish to enroll. But, there's no reason to be intimidated! The courses were designed with the specific needs of the non-native speaker of Spanish in mind. Class sizes are small (typically under 30-35 students per class) and you will find the instructors to be both knowledgeable and approachable. Because much of your learning will take place outside of the classroom, you will be encouraged to participate in the many field study activities sponsored by the Fundación. There are a variety of courses offered including *Theology of Spanish Mystics* and *Spanish Philosophical Thought*. (Sponsor: CIEE)

Chile

Universidad de Chile, Universidad de Chile and Universidad de Santiago in Santiago

Founded in 1992, the CIEE Study Center in Santiago, Chile provides a supportive environment for students who have at least six semesters of college-level Spanish, or the equivalent, to directly enroll in three of Chile's major universities. Given the array of disciplines and courses available to participants, the program is suitable for undergraduate students from a variety of majors with strong Spanish language skills. All courses are taught in Spanish. Courses of interest include *Philosophy*, *Introduction to Philosophy*, *Philosophical Anthropology*, *Theory of Knowledge*, *Medieval Philosophy*, *Contemporary Philosophy*, *Philosophy of Science*, *Political Philosophy*, *Esthetics*, *Ethics*, and *Logic*. (Sponsor: CIEE)

PROGRAM SPONSOR CONTACT INFO

Affiliated Study Abroad Programs are coordinated and managed by outside organizations and companies. Program costs are set by each program provider and vary with the length of program, location and cost of living. Programs are generally available for the summer, fall or spring semester or academic year.

API

<http://www.academicintl.com/>

AustraLearn

<http://www.australearn.org/>

CEA

<http://www.gowithcea.com/>

CIEE

<http://www.cice.org/>

DIS

<http://www.dis.dk/>

IFSA-Butler

<http://www.ifsabutler.org/>

ISA

<http://www.studiesabroad.com/>

SUNY Brockport

<http://www.brockportabroad.com/>

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

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