

# I WANT TO STUDY ABROAD/AWAY—WHAT DO I DO?

As you begin to plan for a study abroad/away experience, here are a few items to consider. This is not an exhaustive list and some items may not apply to you and your chosen program.

Additionally, you may find that some of the items are completed during different phases. This list a good 'starting point' as you begin your search.

Don't forget, you may always contact a CCE Peer Advisor or CCE Staff Member with any questions you have by emailing [cce@carrollu.edu](mailto:cce@carrollu.edu). Good luck in your study abroad/away journey!

## Searching for a program...

- Conduct a program search on the CCE Website
- Attend the Fall and/or Spring CCE Fairs
- Attend a CCE102 Session
- Review the CCE Scholarships webpage
- Discuss your plans with your academic advisor
- Work on a budget for going abroad/away
- Read program evaluations from past participants

## Applying for a program...

- Apply early
- Verify your eligibility for your selected program
- Be aware of all deadlines
- Prepare essay, transcript, or other required documents
- Familiarize yourself with CCE policies and procedures
- Submit credit transfer forms to Registrar's Office
- Apply for scholarships
- Apply for financial aid (fill out a FAFSA)



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## Receiving your university approval...

- Apply for acceptance directly to the program
- Verify program costs and start budgeting
- Apply for a passport and visa, as applicable
- Be aware of all program deposits and deadlines

## Waiting for departure...

- Complete the Post-Decision CCE checklist items
- Complete any forms required by your study abroad program
- Pay your CU tuition and fees statement, as applicable
- Pay tuition and fees to your program, as applicable
- Schedule an appointment with the Health Center or your physician and have the Medical Health Statement completed
- Attend the required study away pre-departure orientation
- Brush-up on your foreign language skills, as appropriate
- Share your on-site contact information with appropriate emergency contacts
- Learn about your location so that you can pack appropriately
- Talk with your bank about accessing money abroad
- Check your CU email account frequently for program updates
- Visit the U.S. Department of State website to search for information about your destination
- Book your flight
- Confirm your housing and courses, as instructed by program

## Factors to consider...

- PROGRAM SPECIFICS**
  - Learning environments
  - Accommodations
  - Language
  - Immersion level
- LOGISTICS**
  - Location
  - Term
  - Duration
- EXPERIENCE TYPE**
  - Internship / Service
  - Research
  - Study
- GOALS**
  - Academic
  - Personal
  - Professional
- COST**
  - Aid availability
  - Cost of living
  - Scholarships

## Being abroad/away...

- Get involved in your host culture and program activities
- Do your homework and go to your classes
- Be a good representative of Carroll University and the USA
- Have fun

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## Coming home...

- Participate in re-entry programming, as available
- Learn from Career Services how to showcase your experience on your resume
- Enter the photo contest
- Complete a program evaluation
- Apply to be a Peer Advisor
- Start thinking about when and how you'll go abroad again
- Volunteer for CCE Ambassador opportunities such as classroom visits
- Promote your program at the CCE Fairs
- Serve on the Study Abroad Alumni Panel during Pre-Departure Orientations