STUDY ABROAD WITH CSU IP
ABOUT CSU IP

18 COUNTRIES

60+ PROGRAMS WORLDWIDE

ACADEMIC YEAR, CALENDAR YEAR & SEMESTER OPTIONS

IP STUDENTS EARN CSU CREDIT

PAY CSU TUITION ABROAD

FINANCIAL AID APPLIES
WHERE IN THE WORLD IS CSU IP LOCATED?

AUSTRALIA  CANADA  CHILE  CHINA  DENMARK  FRANCE  GERMANY  GHANA  ISRAEL  ITALY  JAPAN  MEXICO  SOUTH AFRICA  SOUTH KOREA  SPAIN  SWEDEN  TAIWAN  UNITED KINGDOM
WHY STUDY ABROAD?

- Opportunity to experience a new culture
- Stay on track for graduation
- Save money!
- Build your resume
- Learn a new language
- Form new relationships
- See the world!
HOST REGIONS OF U.S. STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

- 1% North America
- 54% Europe
- 12% Asia
- 16% Latin America & Caribbean
- 2% Middle East & North Africa
- 4% Sub-Saharan Africa
- 4% Oceania

Europe hosts over half of U.S. study abroad students.

CSU FAST FACTS

- 400-600 CSU students study abroad with CSU IP annually
- 10 CSU campuses rank amongst the top 20 in long-term duration (academic year) study abroad*
- Top subjects studied abroad by CSU IP students include: Architecture, Biology, Business, Kinesiology, Political Science, and Psychology.

NATIONAL STATS**

- 1.6% of students study abroad
- 97% of study abroad students found employment within 12 months of graduation
- Students develop cross-cultural understanding
- Study abroad improves language skills

**Source: NAFSA “Independent Research Measuring the Impact of Study Abroad” https://www.nafsa.org
CAN STUDENTS AFFORD STUDY ABROAD?

YES!

- Students pay CSU tuition
- Financial aid and fee waivers are applicable
- In several countries, student visas include permission to work abroad
- Cost of living can be significantly lower in many cities
- Additional scholarships are available!
CSU IP SCHOLARSHIPS

CSU IP SCHOLARSHIP - $750 | All CSU IP Programs, multiple recipients

CSU IP LANGUAGE AND CULTURE SCHOLARSHIP - $1000 | All CSU IP Language and Culture Programs, multiple recipients

CSU IP GHANA SCHOLARSHIP - $1000 | Ghana: University of Ghana Program

MICHELLE MARRIOTT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - $1500 | France: Language & Culture Program

WARD WALLACH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - $500 | CSU IP Japan Programs

OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS

BADEN-WÜRTTEMBERG FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM - €400 PER MONTH | Any CSU IP Germany Program

BENJAMIN A. GILMAN SCHOLARSHIP – UP TO $5,000 PER SEMESTER | Pell Grant Recipients

BOREN SCHOLARSHIP – UP TO $20,000 | Programs in Chile, China, Ghana, Israel, Japan, Mexico, South Africa, South Korea, and Taiwan

FUND FOR EDUCATION ABROAD (FEA) SCHOLARSHIP – UP TO $10,000 | All CSU IP Programs

JAPAN STUDENT SERVICE ORGANIZATION (JASSO) SCHOLARSHIP – ¥80,000 PER MONTH | Japan: Waseda University Program

AND MANY MORE...
Will students earn academic credit abroad?

- All credit earned through CSU IP reflects on students’ transcripts as CSU credit.
- Students return with approximately 15 CSU semester units per semester.
- Students may take GE, Major, or Minor coursework abroad.
- All courses should be reviewed by CSU campus faculty to determine the type of credit the course will fulfill.
OPPORTUNITIES ABROAD
GET INVOLVED

INTERNSHIPS AVAILABLE

VOLUNTEER

JOIN A LOCAL CLUB OR SOCIETY

NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

RESEARCH PROJECTS

STUDIO WORK SHOWCASES

WORK ABROAD
HOW TO CHOOSE A PROGRAM
WHERE TO START?

- When do you want to go?
- What country or region of the world are you interested in?
- What are the best programs for the subject of study?
- Do you speak another language? Or what to learn another language?
PROGRAM TYPES

LANGUAGE & CULTURE PROGRAMS
Students go abroad to learn a new language and take GE coursework.

FULL IMMERSION LANGUAGE PROGRAMS
Students are at an intermediate or advanced level of language and take coursework in various subjects taught in the local language.

FULL IMMERSION ENGLISH PROGRAMS
Students enroll in a local university and take coursework in various subjects taught in English.

STUDY CENTER PROGRAMS
Students attend an abroad study center with other CSU and/or American study abroad students.
OTHER FACTORS TO CONSIDER

- Cost of Living
- City Size and Population
- Program/University Size
- Internship Opportunities
- Race/Gender/LGBTQ Host Country Culture
BENEFITS OF STUDYING ABROAD FOR A YEAR

BECOME MORE THAN A TOURIST
After spending one semester abroad, students become more involved in local activities, they know local people, and feel more at home abroad.

LANGUAGE ACQUISITION
Spending two semesters abroad allows students to fully develop their language skills. Participants are surrounded by language in their daily life abroad in addition to learning and advancing in the classroom. Some students are able to add a language major or minor following their time abroad.

STAY ON TRACK FOR GRADUATION
Students earn CSU credit towards their major, minor, and GE requirements with CSU IP. Students should work with their advisors to pick the best program for in order to make degree progress while abroad.

AFFORDABLE
Students attending CSU IP programs pay CSU tuition. Financial aid applied to the cost of tuition and additional scholarships are available. Some cities overseas have a lower cost of living than California, allowing some students to save money while studying abroad!

SOME TRAVEL IS INCLUDED
Some programs include day trips and excursions as part of the program fee. Students are able to travel with experienced staff to visit and learn about new locations in their host country.
AVAILABLE SEMESTER PROGRAMS

- Chile
- China
- France
- Germany
- Ghana
- Israel
- Italy
- Mexico
- South Africa
- Spain
- Sweden
- Taiwan
APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND HOW TO APPLY
GPA REQUIREMENTS VARY BETWEEN 2.5 AND 3.2
Some GPA requirements are flexible!

PRE-REQUISITES
A few programs have required pre-requisites (language & business); some have suggested pre-requisites.

CLASS STANDING
Many programs are available to sophomores!

TRANSFER STUDENTS MAY STUDY ABROAD WITH CSU IP
APPLICATION PROCESS

ACADEMIC YEAR, CALENDAR YEAR AND SEMESTER OPTIONS

MULTIPLE DEADLINES (VARIES BY PROGRAM)

CSU IP recommends that students apply early, as spaces on competitive programs can fill up!

Calendar Year and Spring Semester: September 15 and October 15

Academic Year and Fall Semester: January 15, February 15, March 15, and April 15

APPLY VIA THE CSU IP PORTAL

csuip.calstate.edu

ASK FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

CSU IP requires the following recommendations to be submitted with student applications via the IP Portal:

- Faculty Recommendation
- Language Faculty Recommendation (where applicable)
- IP Coordinator/Study Abroad Advisor Recommendation
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

CSU IP SCHOLARSHIPS

The scholarship questionnaire must be completed with CSU IP application in via IP portal online.

DUE SEPTEMBER 15 FOR CALENDAR YEAR AND SPRING SEMESTER APPLICATIONS

DUE FEBRUARY 15 FOR ACADEMIC YEAR AND FALL SEMESTER APPLICATIONS

OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

Students should begin researching scholarship opportunities as soon as possible. Students may apply for most scholarships prior to receiving and admissions decision from CSU IP. Additional scholarships may be provided by the student’s campus as well!

SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES WILL VARY BY ORGANIZATION
APPLICATIONS ARE REVIEWED BY A COMMITTEE
The committee is comprised of 6-8 faculty from various CSU campuses and one CSU IP Coordinator.

WHAT DOES THE COMMITTEE LOOK FOR?
The committee considers the following during the application review: GPA, recommendations, essays, transcript and course review, and subject of study.

ADMISSIONS DECISIONS RELEASED 4-6 WEEKS FOLLOWING THE DEADLINE
Pre-departure steps & services

Advising via phone & email
Pre-departure orientation
Pre-departure e-newsletter series
Visa information packet & support

CSU IP portal post-decision steps such as:
- Deposit
- Required documents
- Host university applications
- Housing information
- Flight information
NEXT STEPS

CONTACT YOUR IP COORDINATOR IN YOUR STUDY ABROAD OFFICE

START YOUR CSU IP APPLICATION

MEET WITH YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR AND DISCUSS COURSES YOU SHOULD TAKE ABROAD

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, REACH OUT TO CSU IP VIA EMAIL AT CSUIP@CALSTATE.EDU
QUESTIONS