STUDY ABROAD
Phases Checklist for _______________

**Phase One - DONE!**

**Phase Two - Almost there**
- MSU Study Abroad Application
- Interview
- Host University Application & Acceptance

**Phase Three - Financial Aid Forms**
- Financial Aid Agreement
  - Download online at [http://www.montana.edu/financialaid/forms.html](http://www.montana.edu/financialaid/forms.html)
- Study Abroad Budget Form
  - Download online at [http://www.montana.edu/financialaid/forms.html](http://www.montana.edu/financialaid/forms.html)
  - Signed by a Study Abroad Advisor before returning to Financial Aid

**Phase Four - Course Selection and Credits**
- Course Approval Form
  - Before you leave, upload your course approval form, signed by your academic advisor, to your My Global Connection account
  - Registrar’s Office **only** signs if you are seeking Core credit
  - Get more courses approved than you will take
  - Update your form as you finalize courses (often done while abroad)

**Phase Five - Getting Ready to Leave**
- Attend Pre-Departure Orientation
- Attend Travel Health and Safety Class
- Prepare your family and friends
  - Family Information Sheet (provided in packet)
    - Provide your family with a copy of your passport, bank information, address abroad, and university contact information
  - Letter to Parents (provided in packet)

**Phase Six - Go Somewhere!**
- Remember your My Global Connection account:
  - Everything provided in this packet is on your account
  - Copy of your passport and insurance card is accessible to you
- Pay your tuition & fees, at MSU & abroad, if applicable
- Register side trips and excursions while you’re abroad
- Tag your photos: #MSUBobcatsAbroad
- Request official transcript to be sent to the Study Abroad Office

**Phase Seven - Return to MSU**
- Look back on your experience and evaluate the goals you achieved
STUDY ABROAD
Resources for Students

Travel Health and Safety Resources

Center for Disease Control | www.cdc.gov
Excellent resource for general health, safety, and disease information including great up-to-date information on current health advisories.

State Department Study Abroad
http://travel.state.gov/content/studentsabroad/en.html
Specific information for study abroad students including everything from how to apply for a passport, how to be safe abroad, country specific handbooks, and much more!

Disabilities Abroad | www.miusa.org
Important information for students with disabilities studying abroad.

Center for Global Education | www.globaled.us
All-encompassing website with links to additional resources for study abroad.

Study Abroad Handbooks | www.studentsabroad.com
Great country specific information with checklists to help you prepare to study abroad.

Diversity Abroad | www.allabroad.us
General information on study abroad and specific advice and assistance for non-traditional and minority study abroad students.

Crisis Resources

Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) - U.S. Department of State
http://step.state.gov
Register your international travel with the State Department and receive travel alerts and warnings specific to your location(s).

International Association for Suicide Prevention
www.iasp.info/resource
General information and resources for suicide prevention.

Befrienders Worldwide | www.befrienders.org
General information and resources for suicide prevention.

OSAC (Overseas Security Advisory Council)
www.osac.gov
Council to promote security cooperation overseas.
Health & Safety Issues Abroad

Accidents can happen to anyone. Here are some reminders on how to be prepared for incidents that could occur while you’re abroad.

Safety Issues in the Country and City
Orientation materials and country guides can help you better understand the countries and cities where you will be studying and traveling. Check out the U.S. State Department and CDC information. Know where you’re going and what to do and not do once you get there.

High Risk Activities
Certain activities have higher risk of danger. If you choose to participate, make sure that you have adequate support, and insurance coverage.

Preparedness to Respond to Emergencies
The more prepared you are for emergencies the better able you will be to respond. Where will you go if you need to leave the country? What will you do if you are a victim of a crime or are injured? What if someone else needs help? Be sure you leave detailed insurance and contact information with someone in your home country and abroad.

Crime and Violence
Be aware of higher risk areas and neighborhoods and avoid protests. Educate yourself on local laws and norms and understand local verbal and non-verbal communication. Remember MSU is here as a resource.

Transportation Safety and Reliability
Whether you are arranging your own transportation or you are being led by your program provider, look closely at what the safest type of transportation is for where you’re going, what routes you’re taking, and at what time you’re traveling. Have a backup plan if you are in a country with unreliable transportation systems.

Alcohol and Drugs
Alcohol use can increase risks of being a victim of crime, violence, accident, and injury. Drug use abroad can result in severe consequences—plan on being treated as guilty (in jail) until proven innocent outside the U.S.

Communication
Be able to communicate or have a communication plan so loved ones know when to expect to hear from you. Always let a trusted family member or friend know where you are going and when you will be back. Communication technology you use may not work abroad, so have an alternative.

Physical, Dental, and Mental Health
Prior to going abroad, get a physical, complete foreseeable dental work, and consider your psychological stability. Be prepared for the physical and mental challenges abroad. When you get abroad, find suitable care/support facilities.

Adequate Insurance and 24 Hour Emergency Assistance
Types of insurance to consider purchasing include major medical (in the U.S. and abroad), emergency assistance, repatriation of remains, travel insurance, and coverage for kidnapping and ransom. Have your insurance provider phone number in a place you can easily find. Here are a few insurance companies to consider:

- HTH Worldwide Insurance Services; (888) 243-2538; http://hthworldwide.net/
- Cultural Insurance Services International; (800) 303-8120; http://www.culturalinsurance.com/
- FrontierMEDEX; (800) 732-5309; https://www.medexassist.com/
STUDY ABROAD

Pre-Departure Check List

1-3 Months Prior

- Check student visa requirements and if needed, apply for visa
- Notify everyone that depends on you about your departure
- Email host university itinerary and see if airport pick-up is available and make other arrangements if not.
- Attend a travel health and safety class and sign up for a comprehensive physical;
  - Get vaccinations and immunizations, if needed. You might have to include your medical record with your study abroad package. Get an international yellow vaccination card from your doctor.
  - Stock up on any prescription drugs you take. Have your doctor’s note authorizing their use (and refills). Make sure any drugs you carry are legal in the host country.
  - Stock up on contact lenses if needed. It would also be helpful to take along a copy of your eye prescription in case you lose contacts or eye glasses and need to get replacements.
  - Buy medical insurance for your time abroad. Confirm that it will cover you while you are abroad.

Weeks Prior

- Fill out a change-of-address form and have it forwarded to your permanent address while you’re away. Update your MSU online account with your permanent address.
- Schedule a meeting with your academic advisor to address final concerns about your plans and coursework.
- Double check all financial documents (scholarship applications, loans, and FAFSA renewals) are up to date. Know your disbursements dates, amounts, etc.

1 Week Prior

- Buy a small gift for your host family or for a local who will be assisting you.
- Make copies of all documents - leave one set with your parents and keep one for yourself. This usually includes at least: passport, itineraries, insurance proof, etc.
- Exchange a small amount of US currency for foreign currency at your local bank. Ask for small notes in addition to larger ones.
- Call your bank and all credit card companies to make sure your credit cards will work in your host country.
- Make sure you know what the fee is for international withdraws/transactions.
- Confirm your flight.
- You may want to buy both a plug adapter as well as a voltage converter for electronics; chargers, electric toothbrush, hair dryers, electric razor, iPod, etc.
- Review airline luggage restrictions and start packing. Be sure you can carry it all easily on your own.
- Review the Pre-Departure Orientation packet and any documents/emails you received from the institution abroad.

The Night Before

- Re-confirm your flight and luggage requirements.
- Pack your carry-on bag. Include the essentials: passport, one change of clothes, toiletries, wallet with cash and credit/debit card(s), valuables, medications with doctor’s notes and important documents including airline ticket/e-ticket confirmation, emergency contact information, and address and contact information of destination.

The Day of Departure

- Arrive at the airport well ahead of time (it’s recommended to be there 2 hours before your departure time).
- If the plane is delayed and someone is going to pick you up, email or call to let them know the new arrival time.
- If no one is picking you up at the airport, know which cab company to take, bus to catch, etc. Arriving in an unknown city and taking the first cab offer that comes your way can be expensive and dangerous.


**Pre-Departure Check List, Continued**

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**Upon Arrival in the Host Country**

- Call your parents or guardian/friend to say you’ve arrived safely.
- Attend orientation meetings, excursions, lunches, and other events offered by your program.
  - That way you’ll also start getting to know your classmates and coordinators – people you’ll be seeing on a daily basis.
- Be aware of your surroundings and if you need assistance, ask for it.
- **Vive la différence!** (That’s French for Long Live the Difference!) Yes, it’s different, but that’s why you’re there, right?

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**Emergency Contacts**

Country Emergency Number: ____________________________
(equivalent to 911 in the United States. If calling to the U.S., use country code +1 before dialing a phone number)

Faculty Director Contact (if applicable): ____________________________

Co-Leader Contact (if applicable): ____________________________

Other: ____________________________

Host Institution Contact: ____________________________

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P +1 (406) 994-7151
E studyabroad@montana.edu

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**24 Hour Contact MSU Police**

P +1 (406) 944-2121

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**Voice Center**

P +1 (406) 944-7069
FAMILY INFORMATION SHEET

I will give this form to ______________ while I’m abroad.

Leave the following information with a trusted family member or friend. Bring a copy with you and save in a secure place.

Your passport number: __________________________________________________________________________

Banking information - including account, credit and debit card numbers:
____________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________________________

A copy of your travel itinerary (including flight numbers, reservation numbers, and accommodation information, etc.)

Contact person at host school abroad (Study Abroad Coordinator, etc.)
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studyabroad@montana.edu

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35 Strand Union Building  
PO Box 175160  
Bozeman, MT 59717  
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Fax: +1 (406) 994-6962  
finaid@montana.edu

**Registrar’s Office**

101 Montana Hall  
PO Box 172660  
Bozeman, MT 59717  
Tel: +1 (406) 994-6650  
Fax: +1 (406) 994-1972  
registrar@montana.edu

After hours EMERGENCY NUMBER - MSU Campus Police - +1 (406) 994-2121  
They will contact the MSU Study Abroad Office.
October 15, 2016

Dear Parent,

Congratulations; your son or daughter, enrolled at Montana State University, has been accepted into the study abroad program. Studying abroad supports the mission of MSU, striving to create graduates prepared for success in a globally connected world. Our office makes every effort to assist interested students and strives to have students rise to their full potential and be responsible for their study abroad experience. I encourage you to visit our website (http://www.montana.edu/international/studyabroad/family_friends.html) to become familiar with the phases of study abroad. They are similar to applying for college.

Safety abroad cannot be guaranteed, just as it cannot be guaranteed in Bozeman, but there are steps a student can take to stay safe. We discuss health and safety issues at length in our required orientation program for all students going abroad and students are required to attend a Travel Health class hosted by Student Health Services. The single greatest threat to traveler safety is automobile accidents, a risk that students can largely control by their own decisions and actions. Exploring new places in pairs, rather than alone, is a good rule of thumb. Students are at a risk-taking, experimental stage of their lives, and often take college-age-related problems such as alcohol abuse with them. As a parent, you will want to be sure your student is covered by adequate insurance that includes provision for emergency evacuation and repatriation. (MSU student insurance, CISI and ISEP insurance all have these provisions; additional insurance information can be found at http://www.montana.edu/policy/international_travel/resources/index.html, under “Student International Travel”.)

If we can give you further details, help with clarifying procedures, and offer assistance with your important questions during the time your student is abroad. Our office phone number is below, and my e-mail is susan.welker@montana.edu. Please keep in mind that in order for us to legally be able to talk to you about your son/daughter’s study abroad we need a FERPA form on file giving us permission to do so. While we are happy to talk with you as parents, your son or daughter is legally considered an adult and we are obligated to keep certain information private, even with a FERPA. Also note that since your son or daughter is the person studying abroad, we desire to keep our main line of communication directly with the student, when possible.

I encourage you to also be proactive regarding travel abroad. The following are our recommendations:

U.S. State Department: http://travel.state.gov
Center for Disease Control: http://www.cdc.gov/travel/

Finally, be sure you have a valid passport in case of a sudden desire or need to visit your son or daughter’s host country you will already have a passport on hand. Issue of a passport can take several weeks and even an emergency application can take days, so please be prepared.

We are pleased that your MSU student is taking advantage of this opportunity to study abroad and broaden their horizons. We’re confident that it’s a choice that will transform their life.

Sincerely,

Susan Welker
Director of Study Abroad & Exchanges
Host Institution Fact Sheet

Fill in what you know - find what you don’t

You are about to attend a new institution, so use this worksheet to learn what you need to know before you leave.

My host institution is ________________________________________________________________.

It is located in _________________________.

My program starts on _______________________ and ends on ______________________________.

Contact Person and Information:
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________
_________________________________________________________________________________

Courses and Credits

Courses at my host institution are worth _________ credits/units.

One course at my host institution is equivalent to a _____ credit course at MSU.

This means I need to take ______ courses while I am abroad in order to maintain full-time status for financial aid and immigration purposes.

Visa and Immigration Information

Y / N I need to apply for a student visa before I leave for my host country.

Y / N I do not need to apply for a student visa before I leave for my host country, but I will apply once I arrive.

Y / N I do not need to apply for a student visa.

Country Information

The currency in my host country is _______________________________________________________.

The current exchange rate to the U.S. dollar is _______________________________________________.

The emergency number in my host country is _______________________________________________.
Create a vision for your study abroad experience.

### Personal

### Professional

### Academic

Once goals are set, put them through the S.M.A.R.T test. Ask yourself if your goals meet each of these criteria:

- **Specific** - What exactly do you want to accomplish?
- **Measureable** - How will you know when you reach your goal?
- **Achievable** - Is your goal attainable, but equally as challenging?
- **Relevant** - Does your goal inspire you?
- **Timely** - When do you want your goal to be met?
Cultural shock is very real, and how you adjust within a new culture will depend on your cultural lens.

Think about your daily routine and identify 5 things about your personal culture. List them in the first column. In the second column, identify points of conflict with your personal culture that could arise while abroad.

EXAMPLE:

| I’m independent and walk home at night regularly |
| Walking alone at night while abroad could make me a target of crime. |

Cultural Adjustment Curve
**Self Risk Assessment**

You are embarking on a journey where everything is new...people, language, water, food, transportation, banks, classes, accommodations...and the list goes on. All this new can create stress. Please take a minute to understand your unique lens so you can gain insight on how it might influence you abroad.

1. What physical characteristics best describe you?
   - Tiny / Small / Average / Large / Immense / Female / Male / Other / Dark / Light / Muscular / Slight / Curvy / Broad / Casual / Formal / Athletic

2. Describe yourself as others in an international context might see you.

   

3. What best describes your health?
   - Serious health problems / Average health / Some problems / Healthy

4. Medicine dependence:
   - Daily / As needed / Rarely / Avoid medicine at all cost

5. Risk tolerance:
   - Love risk / Engage in extreme sports / Might go outside my comfort zone / Somewhat risk averse / Refuse to take risks

6. Companionship:
   - Prefer being alone / Prefer being with a friend / Need sidekicks

7. Drugs/Alcohol Usage:
   - Frequently and become inebriated / Sometimes and become inebriated / Rarely and am never inebriated / Never / Sometimes but avoid being inebriated

8. Have you experienced any stressful life circumstances that could make you less resilient for the rigors of cross-cultural transitions in the past year? (These might include the breakup of a significant relationship; death of a parent, sibling, or close friend; life threatening crisis; or a significant depression or stress breakdown.)

   Yes  No

List of Stressors:

___________________________________________________________________
___________________________________________________________________

(Over)
Security Skills

9. Self-defense:
   - I feel unable to protect myself from physical assault
   - I feel marginally able to defend myself during a physical assault
   - I feel able to protect myself
   - I am a martial arts advisor to commando forces around the world

10. Experience with criminal assault/crime:
    - I have never been the victim of a crime
    - I have survived a criminal assault, attack, or incident
    - I have survived several criminal assaults, attacks, or incidents

11. Attributes on safety (protection from accidents, hazards, mishaps, disasters):
    - I don't think about my safety on a daily basis
    - I think about my safety when I feel imperiled
    - I think about my safety as I plan my day's activities
    - My safety is a daily concern for me, and I base my personal planning on it

12. Attitudes on security (protection from hostile acts):
    - I don't think about my security on a daily basis
    - I think about my security when I feel threatened
    - I think about my security as I plan my day's activities
    - My security is a daily concern for me, and I base my personal planning on it

13. Fire safety:
    - I don't think about fire safety
    - I try to remember to change the battery in my smoke detectors
    - I change batteries and have thought through an escape plan for my dorm/apartment/home in the event of a fire
    - I think about fire safety because I've experienced a fire

(Next page)
14. Do people depend on you for their personal, emotional, and/or financial support?
   Yes  No

15. Do you have a communication plan should an emergency arise either overseas or back home?
   Yes  No

16. Do you have medical insurance?
   Yes  No

17. Have you checked to see if your medical insurance will cover you wherever you go overseas?
    (e.g. declared war zone, disaster areas?)
   Yes  No

18. Do you have emergency medical evacuation coverage?
   Yes  No

Self-Reliance:

I deal with stress by
________________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________________

I usually react to stress by
________________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________________

If I’m really stressed out or something happens, I can reach out to: (list people, organizations, etc.)
________________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________________

Adapted from *Travel Wise: How to be Safe, Savvy and Secure Abroad* by Ray S. Leki (2008)
WHAT TO BRING
Pre-Departure Packing List

This is an example of things you may consider bringing. Where and how you study and travel will alter this list. Search online for more country specific packing lists.

**Documents**
- Passport/Visa(s) & driver’s license & student ID
- Cash & Credit/ATM Card(s)
- Health Insurance Documents
- Reservations & Itineraries
- Host family/school contact Info
- Copies of Tickets/Passports/etc.
- Emergency Information
- Phrase Book, Guide Books & Maps

**Everyday Basics**
- Main Travel bag/suitcase and day bag/backpack
- Security items (money belt, travel lock, etc.)
- Lightweight, layerable, easy care clothing
- *most countries dress more formal than MT*
- Sleep Sac/Hostel Sheets
- Watch
- Hat
- Scarf/Bandana
- Headlamp/Flashlight
- Rain Jacket/Umbrella
- Sunglasses
- Travel Footwear
- Water Bottle or Bladder
- Ear Plugs
- Camera, Memory Card, & Charger
- Electrical Converters & Adapters
- Travel Alarm (battery operated)
- Travel Journal & Pen(s)
- Music, Ipod, etc. & headphones
- Reading Material & games/cards
- Pocket Knife/multi tool (pack in checked luggage)
- Extra Batteries
- Sewing Kit

**Study Abroad Stuff**
- 2 notebooks and folders
- A couple pens/pencils
- Computer & cords (optional)
- Calculator (depending on courses)
- Gift for host family from MT or hometown

**Travel Health**
- *Consult your physician for help in planning your trip’s medication needs.*
- Basic First Aid Kit
- Pain & Fever Relievers
- Diarrhea/Laxative Medicines
- Personal Prescriptions
- Sunscreen/Lip Balm
- Insect Repellent/Mosquito Net

**Toiletries**
- Comb/brush
- Toothbrush & paste/floss
- Deodorant
- Personal hygiene items
- Skin care lotion/creams/aloe
- Shampoo, conditioner & soap
- Tweezers
- Razors
- Travel towel
- Contacts and solution

**What NOT to bring:**
- More than two normal-size suitcases and a carry-on
- Anything that is illegal in the US, host country or any countries along the way!!
- Valuable or expensive items (jewelry, watches, etc.)
- Social Security card

I can’t leave home without my:
Budgeting Guide for Study Abroad

“When preparing to travel, lay out all your clothes and all your money. Then take half the clothes and twice the money” – Susan Heller

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The current exchange rate of where I’m going is:
Services Include:

- **Individual Travel Appointments**
  - handouts and current information on destination countries, health and safety, travel health resources
  - discussion of any destination health and safety risks and concerns and any personal health issues or concerns
  - prescribing of appropriate medications if indicated
  - consult is free of charge
  - charges may be incurred for vaccinations and medications

- **Arrangements can be made for a free Physical at Student Health if needed for visas, school apps, etc.**

- **Travel immunizations**
  - almost all are available here except Yellow Fever Vaccination
  - Japanese Encephalitis Vaccination
  - some vaccinations may need to be ordered in

- **Yellow Card (International Certificate of Vaccination) completed and provided on request**

- **Travel Classes / Presentations for groups (free)**

- **Telephone and e-mail support while traveling (free)**

- **Follow-up and post-travel appointments (free for students)**

For more information, contact:

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+1 (406) 994-7287
NAME: _________________________________________________
MSU ID: _______________________________ _______________________________
Phone: _______________________________ _______________________________
Email Address: ___________________________________________
Name of Institution Abroad: __________________________________________
Proposed Term / Dates of Attendance: __________________________________________

*Please meet with your academic advisor(s) to fill out this form. Once you’ve met with your Academic Advisor(s), you must have the Registrar sign this form. Turn this in at the Study Abroad Office when complete.

Proposed coursework for major/minor requirements (NON-CORE):

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Name of Advisor(s) (Printed):
_________________________________________________________

Academic Advisor(s) Signature:
_________________________________________________________

Registrar’s Office Signature:
_________________________________________________________

OFFICE STAMP:
INSTRUCTIONS AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT AGREEMENT

Prior to you leaving for your Study Abroad experience you will need to complete both sides of this form which includes the Study Abroad Course Approval (located on reverse side) and the Official Transcript Agreement (on this side).

Study Abroad Course Approval:

- Meet with your Advisor to map out the classes you will be taking while you are abroad and fill out the reverse side of this form.
- Bring form to the Registrar’s Office to be signed. If you are looking to take any courses for CORE, you will need to provide a course description in English.

- MSU equivalents can only be approved by an advisor from the department that offers the course. CORE can only be approved by the Registrar’s Office.

Official Transcript Agreement:

You must have an OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT from each school attended sent DIRECTLY to the Office of International Programs address listed below. Transcripts will NOT be accepted from the student. When ordering your transcripts, make sure the most recent term attended is included, complete with grades for all semesters.

HAVE TRANSCRIPTS MAILED TO: Montana State University – Bozeman
Office of International Programs
400 Culbertson Hall
Bozeman, MT 59717-2260

Transcripts should be received by the end of the term following your Study Abroad experience. For example, if you were to study abroad during the Summer Semester 2015, your transcript would be due by the end of the following Fall Semester 2015.

Additional Information about Studying Abroad:

* All courses will be graded Pass/Fail (if you receive an F while abroad it will count here). Find out what your international institution’s withdrawal date is.

* If you are planning to graduate at the end of the term you are abroad, you will need to sign an additional agreement acknowledging that if your transcripts are not received by the end of the four weeks following the last day of finals, you will be required to push your term of graduation to the next semester and register “In Absentia” for that term.

* To register for the term following your return, you should be in contact with your advisor (to request your PIN) via email at the very least. Advising begins in March for Summer and Fall terms and in October for the Spring term.

I understand I must provide a transcript from my Study Abroad Institution by the deadline described above:

Student Signature: ____________________________ Date: ______________