MY CHECKLIST FOR SUCCESS

- Create an online profile on Studio Abroad
- Meet with a Study Abroad Advisor
- Choose a study abroad program & location
- Complete the MSU Study Abroad Application
- Participate in an interview when sign-ups are available
- Complete the application for the university abroad
- Send a copy of my application to Study Abroad
- Wait for my admission decision from the university or from Study Abroad
- Attend pre-departure orientation and a Travel Health & Safety class
- Get connected with international students at MSU
- Attend Study Abroad events!

MATERIALS I NEED

- Official transcript
- Course approval form
- Budget worksheet (for Financial Aid)
- Signature Verification form
- Copy of I.D. or passport

(All other paperwork is submitted online through Studio Abroad)
CALCULATE THE COSTS

Depending on the program, studying abroad can either be more expensive or cheaper than enrolling in a U.S. college. Check for tuition, fees, room and board, and travel costs to and from the destination. Scholarship resources are available on the Study Abroad website.

PREPARE YOURSELF

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WHAT KIND OF EXPERIENCE DO YOU WANT?

Would you rather see as many European cities as possible or seek adventure in a developing country? Before choosing a destination, consider what you would like to get out of a program abroad.

CHOOSE A SCHOOL & PROGRAM

Pick a country and a university that you want to attend. After your advising appointment, complete the MSU online application (for evaluation and processing). You will participate in an interview prior to completing the university’s application.

WHAT KIND OF EXPERIENCE DO YOU WANT?

Considerations:
- Direct exchange, CCIS or ISEP?
- Semester, year or short term?
- Language requirements? Finances?
- Curriculum? A new minor?

Study Abroad will nominate you after you submit the application to MSU. You will be notified of admission by study abroad or the university.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

- Spring Semester: September 15
- Summer/Fall Semester: March 15

MY GOALS

Why do you want to study abroad, and what do you want to get out of your experience?

I want to study abroad because...

The people I will need support from are...

What I hope to learn about myself is...

MY INTERESTS: COUNTRIES & PROGRAMS

Option #1:

Option #2:

Comments:

Meet with your academic advisor to ensure that study abroad will work with your degree track.

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