Study Abroad Through MSU Bozeman

Requirements and procedures for MSU Billings, Great Falls, and Northern Students

Minimum Requirements

- Complete at least one year at Montana State University (Bozeman, Billings, Great Falls, Northern) prior to studying abroad.
 - Students can apply to study abroad after completing just one semester, but must complete 2 fulltime semesters before studying abroad.
- Earn a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA
- Be accepted to MSU Bozeman as a non-degree seeking student. Transfers are done through MyInfo. Consult with the Registrar's Office for detailed instructions.
 - Students can apply for study abroad prior to being accepted to MSU Bozeman
 - Students must be accepted to MSU Bozeman prior to studying abroad

Procedures

- Create an online profile <u>https://montana.studioabroad.com/index.cfm?FuseAction=Security.Login&referer=index</u> <u>%252Ecfm%253FFuseAction%253DStudents%252EEnterAdvising</u>
- Set up a phone advising appointment with a study abroad advisor at MSU Bozeman
 - o <u>studyabroad@montana.edu</u>
 - 406-994-7151
- Complete the online application by the deadline
 - Materials that cannot be submitted online need to be mailed to:

MSU Office of International Programs Study Abroad 400 Culbertson PO Box 172260 Bozeman, MT 59717

• Students will need to participate in a phone or Skype interview, attend a travel health and safety class, and pre-departure orientation in Bozeman, and fulfill any other application requirements determined by MSU Bozeman.

Frequently Asked Questions

Will financial aid apply?

Yes, federal financial aid will apply as long as students meet the financial aid requirements. The study abroad advisors at MSU Bozeman can complete a budget sheet with a student after a university abroad is selected. The budget sheet can be brought to financial aid to see if a student qualifies for up to an additional \$2,000 to help cover transportation costs.

• Study Abroad Budget Form: <u>http://www.montana.edu/wwwfa/forms/StudyAbroad%20Budget_FAO_new%20rm%20</u> <u>num_11-08.pdf</u>

What tuition do students pay?

Students participating on MSU Bozeman direct exchange programs will pay MSU Bozeman tuition and fees. Room and board will be paid in the host country for the majority of direct exchange programs. <u>Please see the study abroad website for specific information on each</u> <u>locations fees.</u> Students do not need to pay for tuition at their home institution or host institution.

• Current tuition and fees can be found here: <u>http://www.montana.edu/catalog/expenses/exp2.html</u>

Will scholarships apply?

Some scholarships may apply. Students will be paying tuition through MSU Bozeman, so students need to check with their scholarship provider. They also need to make sure they are in communication with the financial aid office. The study abroad office cannot advise on scholarships and financial aid.

How do courses transfer?

All courses will be transferred through MSU Bozeman. Students need to complete a course approval form with their academic advisor at their MSU institution (Billings, Great Falls, Northern). MSU Bozeman will process the transcript.

• Course Approval form: <u>http://www.montana.edu/international/studyabroad/documents/courseapproval.pdf</u>