Study Abroad

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Types of Study Abroad Programs

- Short-term, faculty-led programs.
- Semester or year-long programs through the Magellan Exchange or through exchanges with other partner universities around the world.
Short-Term Faculty-Led Programs

- Faculty-Led trips offer students an excellent way to learn about study abroad, and frequently serve as a bridge to semester or year-long programs abroad.
- These trips range from 10 days to 3 weeks in duration, and typically also have associated academic credit related to instruction abroad.
- Costs are typically in the $3000+ range, depending on destination and program costs.
- Recent destinations have included: China, Costa Rica, Denmark, Dominican Republic, France, Guatemala, Honduras, Ireland, Italy, Kenya, Peru, Scotland, and Tanzania.
Magellan Exchange

Through the Magellan Exchange students can spend a semester or year abroad in the following countries:

Australia
Austria
Belgium
Costa Rica
Denmark
Finland
France
Germany
Mexico
Netherlands
South Korea
Spain
Why Choose Magellan?

- Students can study 1 or 2 semesters at a partner university abroad for the price of UNA tuition
- There will be no disruption of student loan, scholarships, financial aid, etc.
- Students can take classes in either English or the host country language that transfer to UNA
- Students will possibly spend less than at UNA since there will be no car expenses, and no UNA fees other than the technology fee
- Students will have access to student-discounted public transportation
- Students will have countless travel and cultural enrichment opportunities
Getting There

Students can apply for a UNA Study Abroad Scholarship which provides $800 that can be applied toward airfare or any other expenses related to study abroad.

Fall Semester application deadline is November 1
Spring Semester deadline is February 15
Room and Board

Housing options vary, depending on the university. Expect to pay approximately the same amount you would pay for on-campus housing at UNA. Typical options include:

- Dormitory
- Living with a host family
- Sharing a house or apartment

The cost of food is approximately the same as you would pay for a UNA Meal Plan.
Classes Abroad

Many classes are taught in English. A comprehensive list of classes taught in English at all our Magellan partner universities is available here: http://www.magellanexchange.org/Students/Students%20Additional%20Resources.aspx

Language and culture classes, as well as academic classes taught in the language of the host university, are also available.
UNA Credits for Classes Taken Abroad

Before departing students meet with their advisor in the Major, and with me, to determine possible course equivalencies. This will be recorded on the Study Abroad Academic Pre-Approval form. Since foreign transcripts are typically not available in time to assign grades, the grade Incomplete will be provisionally recorded, and this will be changed to the appropriate letter grade once the official transcript has been received and evaluated.
Study Abroad at Partner Universities

Semester study abroad is also available through partner universities in:
China
Costa Rica
Mexico
Korea
Peru
Pre-Departure Orientation

At this meeting, typically held on a Saturday morning, students and parents will be informed on all aspects of the study abroad experience, and will also have an opportunity to ask questions. Practical issues will be discussed such as withdrawing money abroad, plug adaptors, cell phones, how to call home, seeking medical assistance, using public transportation, what to do in an emergency, etc. For those unable to attend the meeting, the Pre-Departure Powerpoint is posted online: https://www.una.edu/study-abroad/
Useful Addresses

- https://www.magellanexchange.org/
- https://www.una.edu/study-abroad/
- http://travel.state.gov/
- http://www.tsa.gov/
- https://step.state.gov/step/
- http://studentsabroad.state.gov/
- http://cdc.gov
Thank You!

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Gracias
Xie xie
Tak
Kitos
Obrigado
Shukran
Arigato