Study Abroad:
Broden your horizons
Welcome

The Global Office provides central administration for University exchange and study abroad programmes, and programmes delivered collaboratively with other institutions, both in the UK and overseas. We are here to support you throughout your study abroad experience, allowing you to make the most of your time overseas.

For further information about the team please see: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/studyabroad/team

Taken by Henry who studied in Singapore and Canada
The University is delighted to offer undergraduates in Arts, Divinity and Science a number of exciting opportunities to spend a semester or year abroad as part of a St Andrews degree programme. We are partnered with large and small institutions, ancient and young, in Asia, Oceania, Europe, the Middle East, North and South America. Some offer an intimate campus experience; others are located in the heart of a major metropolis, from Beijing to Melbourne to Los Angeles; not forgetting Paris, of course. Our students today are as drawn to the intellectual milieu of the French capital as Andrew Melville was in the sixteenth century! What unites all of our programmes is the quality of the academic provision, ensuring that participation in a St Andrews Study Abroad programme opens the door to a new and valuable academic experience at another world-class institution.

“I surprised myself with a new confidence and I really didn’t feel homesick at all! I did very well in my classes and discovered an area of research I’m very interested in. I am proud of the work that I put in this year and I can honestly say there’s nothing quite like the experiences I have been lucky and privileged enough to be able to have this year. Thank you so much for the opportunity.”

Ailsa, Chemistry, studied at Queen’s University

Photo taken by Katie who studied at Qalam wa Lawh, Rabat, Morocco
Why Study Abroad?

There are numerous benefits to studying abroad, but here are our top three:

1. **Broaden your academic experience**

   Studying your degree subjects from a different perspective and in a different academic culture is an intellectually invigorating experience. You may have the opportunity to study specialisms not offered at St Andrews. Courses may complement your St Andrews studies but offer a new dimension, whether it is geography field trips in North America; modern European history in Strasbourg; or marine biology on the Great Barrier Reef in Australia. Study Abroad will set you apart in competitive job markets and open doors to new ventures and contacts that could influence your career.

2. **Develop life skills and enhance your employability**

   It can develop your confidence and independence and teach you a lot about your own capabilities, personally and professionally. Study Abroad will set you apart in competitive job markets and open doors to new ventures and contacts that could influence your career.

3. **Experience another culture and improve your language skills**

   Immersing yourself in another culture is a great way to learn a new language, enhance your existing language skills and discover a new world. Even cultures which may initially seem very close to your own will surprise you in many ways. However, you don’t always need a language to study abroad. Many of our European partners offer courses in English for students from disciplines other than languages, while offering the opportunity to try language classes alongside your studies. Whether or not you are taking classes in a foreign language, your education will definitely be extended beyond the classroom.

Destination Spotlight: **University of California**

**At a glance:**

The University of California (UC) has ten campuses throughout California, nine of which accept undergraduate exchange students. In the north, students can apply to Berkeley, Davis, Santa Cruz and Merced, and in the south to Santa Barbara, Los Angeles, San Diego, Irvine and Riverside.

**Who can go?**

There are approximately five places per year for St Andrews students in Arts, Divinity and Science. Please ensure you research your options carefully and check the UC website for details of their impacted majors.

Joint Honours students studying subjects which are both listed as ‘impacted’ should explore the range of other St Andrews Abroad and School Study Abroad options.

**Which campus can I go to?**

Once you are selected by St Andrews, you apply to the UC exchange programme. Campus allocation is determined by the UC depending on the classes you wish to take.

**Finance:**

Living expenses vary depending on campus allocation but may be in the range of $13,000 to $20,000 for one academic year. See the Global Office UC webpage [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/studyabroad/outgoingstudents/financeandscholarships](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/studyabroad/outgoingstudents/financeandscholarships)

“Studying at UC Santa Barbara has developed my skills and allowed me to study literature with a multi-faceted approach. California lends itself nicely to outdoor pursuits, and I have enjoyed hiking, skydiving, stand-up paddle boarding, and much more.”

Nikola, English
Study Abroad

Study Abroad offers an opportunity to broaden your academic experience. It can be challenging, but with careful preparation, a positive approach and a mature attitude, most students adapt to their new academic environment quickly and flourish. Students return to St Andrews after a semester or a year with new academic interests and ideas, and a confident and independent approach to their learning.

Study Abroad is open to students across a number of subjects in Arts, Divinity and Science over two programmes: St Andrews Abroad (see page 10) and School Study Abroad Programmes (see page 12). For work placements abroad for students of Biology, Chemistry and Modern Languages, see page 17.

Study abroad for credit is only permitted on existing University approved programmes. The University has a range of Study Abroad programmes, all of which are carefully selected and monitored. We have good relations with our partners overseas and work closely with them to ensure our students enjoy a successful period abroad and a smooth return to St Andrews thereafter. All of our programmes are reviewed annually (a process that includes evaluation of student feedback) and we may withdraw exchanges if staff or students report serious problems. This happens rarely as all of our partners are carefully selected and we maintain good relations with them, but our chief concern is the welfare and academic experience of all St Andrews students participating in Study Abroad.

When would I go abroad?
Most Study Abroad programmes are aimed at Junior Honours students, though Study Abroad at Senior Honours level is permitted in some subject areas. Study Abroad at sub-honours level is not permitted.

How long would I be away for?
Some programmes are available for either one semester or a full academic year, while others involve a commitment to a full year of study. Semester dates and vacation periods range across all of our partner institutions, so you might find that you start earlier or finish earlier than you would if you were staying in St Andrews.

I am a Joint Honours student, can I still go abroad?
Many Joint Honours students participate in Study Abroad programmes. If you are applying to exchanges on the St Andrews Abroad programme, both of your Honours subjects must be listed as an exchange option on the Global Office webpages. If you are applying to a School Study Abroad programme, you will require a Letter of Permission from your other School with your application.

Can I study in more than one place?
On some programmes it may be possible to split your Junior Honours year and spend each semester at a different institution. You should check with your Study Abroad Co-ordinator whether this is possible in your subject area. You should also consider the additional challenges involved in splitting a year in this way as it means adapting quickly to two new academic cultures.

Will studying abroad increase the length of my degree?
Our study abroad opportunities are fully integrated into our undergraduate degree programmes. Approved credits obtained overseas at our partner institutions will count towards your St Andrews degree programme.

What courses would I study overseas?
Students are encouraged to take full advantage of the academic opportunities on offer at the host institution, while ensuring that modules chosen are in subjects recognised as qualifying towards the St Andrews degree programme, at the correct level, and which will provide suitable preparation for return to St Andrews. School Study Abroad Co-ordinators guide you through the process of module choice so that you get the most out of your academic experience abroad.
Your Degree Programme

The Learning Agreement is an academic contract that sets out the courses and credits that you will take abroad and confirms your School’s approval that the courses will transfer back into St Andrews credit and count toward your degree programme. While abroad, students take the equivalent of 60 credits per semester i.e. a normal full-time course load at the host institution.

Credit and grade conversion will be completed by St Andrews upon receipt of your transcript from the host institution. Your overseas credits and grades will be converted back into St Andrews credits and grades using standard Conversion Tables. All approved modules undertaken during Study Abroad count towards the degree programme, and so all converted grades are used in degree classification.

Further information about the Learning Agreement, the credit and grade conversion policy and the standard Conversion Tables are all available at:
www.st-andrews.ac.uk/students/study-abroad/academic

REMEMBER...
We cannot guarantee that all programmes will be available every academic year. New Study Abroad programmes are established regularly and new options will be added to the Global Office webpages once the programme receives approval and the two institutions sign an agreement.

Taken by Jessica who studied in New Zealand and Morocco
St Andrews Abroad Programme

This exchange programme offers exciting opportunities to students in Arts, Divinity and Science to spend a semester or academic year abroad. Applications are competitive and the selection process is led by the Pro Deans.

Most of our partner institutions are based in North America, from the University of California’s Los Angeles campus in the heart of Beverly Hills, to the historic College of William & Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia, the second oldest higher education institution in the US. Our most recent collaborations are with Macquarie University in Australia and Univerzita Karlova in the Czech Republic.

For a full list of St Andrews Abroad partners and participating St Andrews Schools, please see: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/csa-app/search

“Not only did I have the opportunity to study history from a different perspective and make friends for life from around the world, but I also had the opportunity to travel to the Great Barrier Reef, compete in a national music competition in Melbourne, and even intern for two months in Singapore! I would not hesitate to recommend both Study Abroad and Macquarie to anyone.”

Rebecca, studied History at Macquarie University.

“I was lucky enough to be able to study at the University of Toronto during the third year of my Geography degree. Studying in Toronto was an incredible experience which initially challenged me both academically and personally. However, once I had settled in to the different culture and life in a big city, I thoroughly enjoyed my time away. The opportunity to travel was an added bonus. Although going abroad alone may seem daunting, the programme is well established, and the St Andrews Study Abroad Team were always very supportive and helpful. I would highly recommend studying abroad.”

Charlotte, Geography, studied at the University of Toronto

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* Normally, we only have one place available at the University of Pennsylvania which is restricted to Scottish students due to the attached funding (the Robert Lincoln McNeil Scholarship). Please see the Global Office webpages for further details: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/students/study-abroad/finance/scholarships

New partnerships are frequently formed, and subject options with existing partners vary annually so please consult the Global Office webpages for the most up-to-date information. www.st-andrews.ac.uk/studyabroad/outgoingstudents
School Study Abroad Programmes

These programmes are specific to a certain Department or School. Several Schools in Arts and Science have Erasmus links with other European institutions, offering a variety of programmes, from studying Vikings in Oslo as part of a Medieval History degree, discovering the Dutch Masters in Leiden as part of an Art History degree, or studying Chemistry in Bonn.

FACT: Some of our European partners offer courses in English as well as the host language, so there are some great opportunities, even if you are not studying languages.

"Studying abroad in Hong Kong was the best thing I have ever done. From a university of 8,500 students to a global megacity with the same number of skyscrapers, St Andrews to Hong Kong was like being transported to a different world. Aside from the city itself, my academic experience was fantastic. Don’t get me wrong – it was challenging and incredibly busy – but, at the same time, it was stimulating, engaging, and full of opportunities."

Jennifer, International Relations, studied at the University of Hong Kong.

And it is not just Europe… several Schools have also established Study Abroad programmes with partners in Asia, Australia, the Middle East, North and South America.

For a full list of School Study Abroad programmes, please see the Global Office webpages.

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* Università Bocconi is unavailable for 2021-2022.
**Application and Selection**

**When do I apply?**
The application process for most programmes begins during first semester of second year, so it is important to start thinking about your options early. Selection for most Study Abroad programmes will take place between December and February. It is important to note that if you are offered a place, it will be conditional upon successful completion of sub-honours, attendance at a compulsory pre-departure meeting in April, and your agreement of the University’s Study Abroad Terms & Conditions.

**What does the application process entail?**
Applications to all programmes require the completion of an application form and some programmes will also include an interview process.

For most programmes, you will also be required to apply to the host institution, who will make the final decision on your admission to the programme. The Global Office will help you with this process.

**What are the grade requirements?**
Honours entry is a minimum requirement for Study Abroad, but some programmes will have a higher grade requirement, or other criteria. Applicants to St Andrews Abroad should have a minimum average grade of 13.5 in their intended Honours subject(s) in first year. Application is competitive and the main criterion is a strong academic record. School Study Abroad programmes have their own entry criteria, so it is important to check these with your Study Abroad Co-ordinator at an early stage. You can also find information and most application forms on the Global webpages, under ‘Where can I go?’.

**Subject** | **Partner Institutions (Undergraduate level) (cont.)**
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**International Relations** | Universität Hamburg; University of Hong Kong; University of Iceland; Institut d’Études Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po); Renmin University of China; Universität Tübingen; Københavns Universitet (University of Copenhagen); Lunds Universitet; Universita Karlova (Charles University); Försvarshögskolan (Swedish Defence University).
**Italian** | Università degli Studi di Padova; Università degli Studi di Verona; Università degli Studi di Torino; Università Ca’ Foscari Venezia
**Management** | Università Bocconi*
**Philosophy** | Aarhus Universitet
**Physics & Astronomy** | Friedrich Schiller Universität Jena (University of Jena)
**Psychology & Neuroscience** | Emory University
**Russian** | Placements organised through RLUS [www.rlus.co.uk](http://www.rlus.co.uk)
**Social Anthropology** | Københavns Universitet (University of Copenhagen); Stockholms Universitet (Stockholm University)
**Spanish** | Universidad de Alcalá; Universidad de Granada; Universidad de Montevideo; Universitat Pompeu Fabra; Universidade de Santiago de Compostela; Universidad de Valladolid
What makes a good application?
Study Abroad is a wonderful opportunity but may also be a challenging, and at times, difficult, experience. We are looking for students who are independent, highly motivated, responsible and mature. We are also looking for students who will be good ambassadors for St Andrews; who will make the most of opportunities at the host institution and integrate with the host community. Study Abroad is, above all, an academic experience, and often the best applications are those which also demonstrate particular interest in the academic opportunities available at a host institution.

How many places are there?
Many Study Abroad programmes depend on inbound/outbound balance and consequently the number of places available may vary in any given year.

Can I apply to study in my home country?
This is not prohibited, but you should think carefully about your reasons for applying to the programme and be prepared to make a good case to the selection committee. For competitive programmes, the selection committee may give priority to students whom they feel will benefit the most from the opportunity to experience another culture.

Working Abroad
Completing a work placement abroad is a good opportunity to gain work experience in another culture or language and to acquire valuable skill sets. Students on specific degree programmes in Modern Languages, Biology and in Chemistry may apply to undertake a work placement abroad as an integral part of their degree programme. Full details of these programmes are available through the Schools.

Modern Languages: With Integrated Year Abroad degrees
WIYA programmes involve a full academic year abroad in a host destination where either Arabic, French, German, Italian, Russian or Spanish is spoken. Upon completion of the WIYA year, students return to St Andrews to begin Junior Honours in their fourth year.

The School of Modern Languages encourages suitable WIYA candidates to apply to the British Council’s Language Assistantship programme, which is well established and a popular option for St Andrews students.

Full details are available at: www.britishcouncil.org/language-assistants

Students intending to be British Council Language Assistants are encouraged to take the TEFL Introductory Course offered by the International Education Institute at the University of St Andrews and supported by Global Office and the School of Modern Languages.
www.st-andrews.ac.uk/students/study-abroad/before-you-go/prep-courses/tefl

Students may organise their own work placements to suit intended career paths, but they should discuss this with their WIYA Co-ordinator early in their second year. Permission will only be granted where the School is confident that the placement will provide a suitable WIYA programme.

Students undertaking a Russian WIYA are placed on a university language course under the auspices of Russian Language Undergraduate Studies Ltd, a UK-based organisation. For details see: www.rlus.co.uk
Chemistry:
External Placement degrees
Chemistry students undertaking an External Placement as part of their degree programme often secure placements outside the UK. The School assists students in obtaining eight- to thirteen-month (most commonly twelve-month) placements in leading research laboratories in the UK, Europe and North America. Typically, students join a research and development group within a company and receive a salary for the duration of the placement.

Biology:
External Placement degrees
Biology students enrolled on the MBiochem, MMarBiol and MBiol have the opportunity to undertake external placements. These last for seven to twelve months, in leading companies / research institutes in the UK and abroad.

“Working abroad is undoubtedly the best way to learn the language and to immerse yourself in the culture of the country that you are in, as well as giving you the opportunity to travel! I found the best way to meet people and to improve my Spanish outside of work was to join local clubs. The highlight of my year was probably a choir exchange to Santiago de Compostela, Galicia. Teaching private classes gave me lots of teaching experience and gave me a greater understanding of the bilingual programme which was the subject of my year abroad project. Overall my Spanish has improved a lot and living in Spain has given me a great understanding of Hispanic culture. It’s definitely added to my CV and I’ll be returning in the future.”

Sara, Spanish, worked in Madrid as a British Council Language Assistant.

Erasmus+ and outbound mobility

The Erasmus+ programme is a European project run by the European Commission to support activities in education, training, youth and sport in all sectors of lifelong learning, including higher education.

The University has an Erasmus+ Charter, and participates actively in the programme. We value our European and international partnerships, and the opportunities they provide for student and staff mobility, the exchange of knowledge, ideas and perspectives. As the future UK relationship with the EU develops, we are committed to continuing to exchange students in Europe as well as worldwide.

We are working to maintain and strengthen our partnerships in Europe in strategic ways. We have communicated our commitment to work with our partners, including asking them to continue to exchange students and staff after the end of the UK’s transition period from the EU. We have also added a number of new European partners recently irrespective of external factors. In addition, we visit our partners, host them here, and meet them at conferences and other opportunities. The current Erasmus+ project ends in 2021, after which a new version will be launched. We are engaged in discussions on potential UK involvement in the new version and are also working with UK and Scottish governments on any potential alternative student exchange models. We have also developed a strong scholarship portfolio which is open to those participating in mobility in all destinations, including in Europe.

Updates on UK participation in mobility programmes will be posted on the University’s Study Abroad webpages.
Accommodation

If you are thinking about Study Abroad, an important aspect to consider is your accommodation abroad.

Will the host institution offer me accommodation?
Many partner universities offer, but do not guarantee, university accommodation to exchange students.

Student accommodation varies from country to country and institution to institution. You should be aware that accommodation services may differ from St Andrews, and the accommodation options here may not be available at all of our partner universities.

Some universities and host organisations will provide advice on renting in the private sector or direct students to accommodation agencies.

Accommodation abroad is your responsibility so you will be encouraged to plan ahead and research your options. You can consult the Global Office for advice before your departure. Further information is also available at: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/students/study-abroad/before-you-go/accommodation

What about accommodation on my return?
Student Accommodation Services do their best to accommodate students returning from Study Abroad programmes, provided applications are submitted by the published deadlines. If you are returning after one semester abroad it is possible to apply for accommodation for one semester only. First semester only contracts are also possible. Applications for either semester should be made in line with the usual deadlines.

Financial Information

It is important to consider the financial implications of going abroad before you apply. Remember to do your research and discuss your plans with your family if they are supporting your study.

What are the costs of studying abroad?
The costs vary depending on location and programme. Costs might include:
- Travel expenses
- Living costs
- Tuition fees
- Insurance
- Vacations
- Visa costs

To give you an idea of the cost of studying at various institutions, have a look at the institutional profiles on the Global Office webpages: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/students/study-abroad/finance

Tuition fees
The majority of Study Abroad programmes involve payment of your standard tuition fees to St Andrews and no tuition fee liability at the host institution. You should research what your funding body offers with regards to tuition fee loans and grants for Study Abroad programmes. Full details and exceptions are available on the Global Office webpages and will be explained pre-departure: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/studyabroad/outgoingstudents/financedandscholarships/tuitionfees

For example, RUK students may not be eligible for the full tuition fee loan on a full year non-Erasmus+ Work or Study Placement programme. In this context, RUK students spending the full 2019-2020 academic year on a non-Erasmus+ Study or External Work Placement were eligible to apply to the University for a needs-based Tuition Fee Scholarship to a maximum of £3,600 for the placement year.
Insurance
St Andrews students authorised to study or work abroad as part of their degree programme are covered by the University’s travel insurance policy. Full policy details can be found on our University webpages. Some host institutions, particularly in the US, will also require you to purchase their campus insurance, and this can amount to a few hundred dollars. Further information available at: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/students/study-abroad/before-you-go/insurance

US Federal Loans
If you normally apply for a US Federal Loan, you should contact the US Loans Team at St Andrews as early as possible to discuss your funding options: usloan@st-andrews.ac.uk

Are there scholarships available?
We are delighted to be able to offer a number of Study Abroad scholarships for particular destinations. Students selected for our exchange programmes with Queen’s University and Western University may be awarded a prestigious Canadian Robert T Jones Jr. Scholarship, amounting to $6,000 Canadian.

The Robert Lincoln McNeil Scholarship, a generous award which covers room, board and most living expenses, is awarded every year to a student who has grown up in Scotland and who is awarded an exchange place at the University of Pennsylvania.

Moncrieff Travelling Scholarship – First Abroad
Each year, one First Abroad Scholarship of £12,000 will be allocated to an eligible student who demonstrates both academic excellence and financial need. Students will be asked to provide additional evidence to support their application, such as confirmation that they have completed one of the University’s Access programmes.

Moncrieff Travelling Scholarships – Study Abroad
In addition to the First Abroad Scholarship, this fund will also offer a range of award values to undergraduate students in the Faculty of Science undertaking Study Abroad programmes for credit. This includes both the St Andrews Abroad and School Abroad programmes. These scholarships will be awarded to students of academic excellence to whom Study Abroad would otherwise be unattainable. Scholarships range from £500 to £5,000.

Arts Abroad Scholarships
This fund will offer a range of award values to undergraduate students in the Faculty of Arts and Divinity undertaking Study Abroad programmes for credit. This includes both the St Andrews Abroad and School Abroad programmes. These scholarships will be awarded to students of academic excellence to whom Study Abroad would otherwise be unattainable. Scholarships will range from £500 to £5,000.

Santander Study Abroad Scholarships
The University is delighted to be working with Santander to offer scholarships of up to £4,000 for University of St Andrews students studying abroad.

600th Anniversary Scholarships for Study Abroad
St Andrews Students Abroad, one of the 600th Campaign projects, has established a scholarship fund to help more St Andrews students with the costs of Study Abroad. For further information on Study Abroad scholarships please see: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/studyabroad/outgoingstudents/financeandscholarships
Study Abroad Spotlight:

Carys studied at Queen’s University Canada and National University of Singapore on the Multi-Lateral Student Exchange Programme.

“I have truly had the most incredible adventure over the past year, met amazing people and made unforgettable memories. I am beyond grateful for the funding that I have been provided with that has enabled me to have these experiences. This year has taught me an immense amount both academically and personally leading to a real growth in confidence. I feel that I will be returning to St Andrews as a better student and I will look back on this year as one of the best of my life.”

Multi-Lateral Student Exchange Programme

This is an exciting exchange programme that has been developed in partnership with the University of St Andrews, the National University of Singapore and Queen’s University, Canada.

Theme: Global Environmental Challenges of the 21st Century

This novel programme brings together courses across three partner institutions on three continents to consider the environmental challenges facing the world in the twenty-first century, and the different approaches that societies are taking towards them. Students will have the opportunity to spend a semester at two host institutions, studying modules which are unique to each of the two universities and experiencing the culture of two different countries.

This programme is open to students in Biology and Geography and Sustainable Development.

Students can apply through the St Andrews Abroad Programme.

How do I find out more?
Please contact the Global Office at studyabroad@st-andrews.ac.uk for further information.
Study Abroad Spotlight:

**Luke, Chemistry, worked in France**

“I’m Luke and I’ve recently returned to St Andrews from my placement year at the Institute of Porous Materials in Paris. The entire experience has given me many memories which I will cherish forever.

At the Institute, the whole team was extremely welcoming and happy to answer any questions I had about life in Paris. The work itself was very interesting: investigating a potential application to reduce atmospheric carbon emissions. This gave me the opportunity to try new experiments and equipment which I had not seen before. I learnt a huge amount about porous materials, which I will take back with me into my final year back home in Scotland. Although based in Paris, the lab was English speaking. However, I still attended French classes at the Institute to make the most of my time in France. I’m not fluent in French by any means, but my language skills did significantly develop over the year - not bad for a chemist!

Paris is such a fantastic place to live. There is so much to do that you can fill almost every weekend exploring different parts of the city. On top of this, the city is extremely beautiful and offers an Instagram opportunity at every corner! I would definitely recommend studying abroad. I’ve learnt so much about adapting to new places and cultures, which will be invaluable for when the time comes to start my career.”
Cover photo by Charlotte Marquand, who studied at the University of Toronto.


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