EDUCATION ABROAD 101

Advisement and Evaluation
Undergraduate Enrollment by Term

The Education Abroad Office supported the following education abroad experiences, broken down by term:

- **18 Academic Year**
- **1,766 Total Students**
- **620 Spring Semester**
- **249 Summer**
- **598 Maymester**
- **87 Fall Semester**
- **154 Spring Break**
- **Winter Session**
- **23 Fall Break**

![Undergraduate Education Abroad Participation Rates from Fall 2012 through Spring 2023 at USC-Columbia](chart)

**Number of Students**

- **12-13**
- **13-14**
- **14-15**
- **15-16**
- **16-17**
- **17-18**
- **18-19**
- **19-20**
- **20-21**
- **21-22**
- **22-23**

UNIVERSITY OF South Carolina
UG Enrollment by College

Breakdown of education abroad enrollment by school or college:

- **21-22**
- **22-23**

- Arnold School of Public Health: 103, 372
- College of Arts & Sciences: 142, 419
- College of Education: 460, 608
- College of Engineering & Computing: 13, 25
- College of Hospitality, Retail & Sport Management: 65, 95
- College of Information & Communications: 122, 138
- College of Nursing: 143, 164
- College of Social Work: 36, 40
- Darla Moore School of Business: 30, 3
- School of Music: 3, 5
- S.C. College of Pharmacy: 6

**Honors College:** 372

**Capstone Scholars:** 253
Program Types

Global Classrooms & Global USCs
- Take a course abroad run by USC faculty with other USC students! Programs are typically 1-3 weeks.
- Sample locations: Germany, the Galapagos Islands, and Thailand

Global Exchanges & Global Directs
- Enroll directly with a host institution abroad! These are our most immersive and independent options. Students take classes with other international students and/or local students.
- Sample locations: Denmark, Australia, and Japan

Global Partner Programs
- Participate in a program run by a third party US based organization that helps guide students before, during, and after their experience. Classes may be at a local institution or study center.
- Sample locations: Italy, Costa Rica, and South Korea
EAO Process

1. EA 101 Blackboard Course
2. Program research
3. Meet with an EA advisor
4. Apply
5. Find Scholarships and Grants

Prepare for Take-Off!
FINANCIAL AID

• Good News!

• Students may apply most of their regular financial aid to their education abroad program if they are enrolled full-time and completed the FAFSA
  • Most common exception – tuition reductions are not applicable to education abroad

• As part of EAO application, students are directed to complete the Education Abroad Financial Aid Pre-Screen Form
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<th>Spring Break</th>
<th>Summer</th>
<th>Fall/AY</th>
<th>Spring</th>
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<td>Rolling until December 1</td>
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Deadlines for EAAF Completion

Summer: April 1st
Fall: April 1st
Spring: November 1st

The EAO encourages students to review the EAAF and their program’s course offerings prior to their advising appointment.
### UofSC Course Equivalents

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<th>Overseas course code and title</th>
<th>UofSC Course Equivalent (According to the Transfer Course Equivalency Chart)</th>
<th>UofSC Degree Applicability</th>
<th>Potential credit to be awarded (<strong>see International Credit Conversion Chart)</strong></th>
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<td>Example: MN 214 International Human Resource Management</td>
<td>MGMT 406 International HR Management</td>
<td>Upper-level MGMT Elective</td>
<td>5 ECTS</td>
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- **UofSC Course Equivalents** can be found in the [Course Transfer Equivalency Chart](#).

- If a course is not listed, a course description will need to be sent to the Registrar's Office through this [form](#). The course will be evaluated and added to the chart. Course Equivalent **cannot** be listed as "Elective".

- Refer to the [International Credit Conversion Guide](#) to see how your credits will transfer back. For example, ECTS is a common credit value in Europe; 1 ECTS = .5 UofSC credits. Do not assume that one course abroad will transfer back as a 3-credit course to UofSC.

- You must complete the EAAF with your academic advisor and college dean. The course approval process is complete once you have secured the required signatures and submitted this form to the Education Abroad Office. **Both UofSC Course Equivalents and Degree Applicability must be completed before this form can be turned in to the EAO office.**
## Transfer Course Equivalency Disclaimer:

The information displayed below is unofficial and is provided as a convenience for current and prospective students. Course equivalent information is subject to revision without notice and should not be considered a guarantee of transfer credit equivalencies.

### How to Use the Tables

Select the university from the dropdown menu and filter by subject to view specific course equivalencies.

### Transfer Course(s) vs. USC Equivalent Course(s)

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<th>Group</th>
<th>Course</th>
<th>Title</th>
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# International Credit Conversion Guide

This table serves as a guide for students and advisors to calculate USC credit earned through international study. If you are looking for a conversion for an institution that is not in the chart, please contact the registrar's office.

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<tr>
<th>Country</th>
<th>Name of School</th>
<th>International Credit System</th>
<th>Conversion Multiplier</th>
<th>Example</th>
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<tr>
<td>Argentina</td>
<td>Universidad de Belgrano</td>
<td>Contact hours</td>
<td>0.067</td>
<td>15 Contact Hours = 1 USC Credit</td>
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<tr>
<td>Aruba</td>
<td>University of Aruba</td>
<td>ECTS</td>
<td>0.5</td>
<td>2 ECTS = 1 USC Credit</td>
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<tr>
<td>Australia</td>
<td>University of Newcastle</td>
<td>Units</td>
<td>0.375</td>
<td>10 Units = 3.75 USC Credits</td>
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<td>Australia</td>
<td>Griffith University</td>
<td>Local credits</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>10 Credits = 3 USC Credits</td>
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<td>Australia</td>
<td>International College of</td>
<td>US credits</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>1 Credit = 1 USC Credit</td>
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<td>Australia</td>
<td>Management</td>
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<td>University of Queensland</td>
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<td>James Cook University</td>
<td>Local Credits</td>
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<td>1 Credit = 1 USC Credit</td>
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<td>Australia</td>
<td>Queensland University of</td>
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<td>12 Credits = 4 USC Credits</td>
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<td>Technology</td>
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I understand that, in order to receive credit, maintain enrollment at UofSC, and receive financial aid during my period of overseas study, I must:

1. Have my courses and credits pre-approved by my academic department.
2. Consult with the appropriate foreign language department faculty and my advisor/dean about degree requirements for foreign language proficiency.
3. Complete the entire education abroad application process for your program as outlined on the Education Abroad Office website: www.studyabroad.sc.edu.
4. Maintain enrollment in the appropriate INTL placeholder course.
5. Maintain a course load equivalent to full-time study at UofSC, or as required by my scholarship requirements (excluding summer study) as determined by the Registrar’s Office.
6. Report immediately any course changes to my academic advisor and email updated approvals to regeval@mailbox.sc.edu.
7. Request a transcript be sent to the UofSC Education Abroad Office, 1705 College Street, Close-Hipp Building, Suite 453, Columbia, SC 29208 upon completion of my overseas program.

Student’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: _______________________

Printed Name: ___________________________

Academic Advisor/Undergraduate Director’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: _______________________

Printed Name: ___________________________

College Dean’s Signature: ___________________________ Date: _______________________

Printed Name: ___________________________
COURSE CHANGES WHILE ABROAD

• Schedules frequently change after a student begins their education abroad program

• Students are instructed to contact their advisor and/or college for updated approval via email

• This approval can be forwarded to regeval@mailbox.sc.edu while copying the EAO at Anastes@mailbox.sc.edu
INTL PLACEHOLDER

• **INTL 501**—Students going on exchange (pay in-state tuition to USC)
• **INTL 502**—Students going on a Direct program or Global Partner Program receiving a foreign transcript
• **INTL 503**—Students going on a Global Partner Program receiving a US transcript
• The EAO registers students for INTL once all materials have been completed
• The number of credit hours for INTL may not be the same number of credits they receive in transfer.

• For a semester, students are enrolled in 15 hours.
• For the summer, students are enrolled in either 3 or 6 hours and may adjust in Self Service.
Transcripts

- Students should make sure they have their transcript sent to the EAO office, not the Registrar.
- Transcripts must be sent directly from the partner institution. **We cannot accept transcripts directly from students.**
- The EAO office will upload the transcript for the Registrar to process.
- If any courses taken during this time have not been evaluated, they must go through the same evaluation process before they will appear on the student's transcript.
- Transcripts can take up to 8 weeks or longer to arrive from the host institution.
Application Process Overview

**PART 1**

1. Student's data is transferred from Banner after completing an initial registration form
2. Program selection
3. Application Essays (Exchange and direct program)
4. Transcript upload (Exchange and Direct programs)
5. Read the Student Agreement, Covid Waiver, General Statement of Responsibility, Mandatory Overseas Insurance Coverage
6. Application fee payment

**PART 2**

1. Download the Education Abroad Approval Form (EAAF)
2. Fill out the financial aid pre-screen form
3. Passport upload
4. Acceptance letter upload (Partner and IB apps)
5. Medical information form
6. Upload signed EAAF
7. Upload a screenshot of pre-departure course scores from Blackboard
Evaluation Workflow

1. Transfer Team receives course evaluation request or articulates unevaluated course on record

2. Transfer Team creates evaluation in TES and assigns it to appropriate evaluator

3. Evaluator reviews, assigns equivalency, and approves course in TES

4. Transfer Team receives course evaluation back in TES

5. Transfer Team builds transfer course and equivalency in Banner, which displays in the Course Equivalency Table

6. Transfer Team notifies person who submitted evaluation of new equivalency and/or updates student record
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