Study Abroad For Panther Families
WHAT IS STUDY ABROAD?
A credit-bearing program that takes place in a foreign country or countries.

WHAT WE DO?

• Develop study abroad programs with departments and faculty across campus.

• Advise and assist students throughout the entire study abroad process (application, while abroad, and upon return).

• Provide support to students while abroad and upon their return.

• Host events and workshops throughout the year related to Study Abroad Programs.
"Studying abroad allows me to live and study in a country where Korean is used on an everyday basis. As I pursue a job position in the international government field it is critical to know the language for communication and cultural purposes. I have learned to adapt quickly by replicating actions that locals do. For example, when riding a bus or eating at a cafe, I pay attention to how locals interact with workers and others." - Ashley #studyabroad #gsustudyabroad #goglobalpanthers
ACADEMIC YEAR 2018-19

STUDY ABROAD BY NUMBERS AT GSU

1,153 students studied abroad 41 different countries.

82.9% of student who studied abroad did so on a faculty-led program.

49.8% of study abroad participants were students of color.
PROGRAM TYPES

Faculty-Led Programs
Study abroad with a GSU faculty member, earning GSU credits, and traveling with GSU students for 1 to 3 weeks. New students can study abroad at the end of their first year.

Exchange Programs
Spend a semester or an academic year taking courses for your degree at a partner university abroad and transfer your credits back to GSU.

Non-GSU Programs
If GSU does not have the program you are seeking, meet with our study abroad team to consider finding your own accredited program and transfer your credits back to the university.
BENEFITS OF STUDY ABROAD

**Academic Progression**
Study abroad will be part of your degree program. Earn core, major, and/or elective credit towards your GSU degree while learning about other perspectives and cultures.

**Gain Professional Skills**
Participate in case studies and shadow professionals. Demonstrate self-sufficiency in unfamiliar situations and develop strategies for communicating with people in different languages.

**Personal Development**
Develop interpersonal skills, self-confidence, independence, maturity, and flexibility while developing a sense of personal and civic responsibility.

Nassau, Bahamas
Environmental Science Program

Sports & Exercise in China Program

GSU exchange student in Seoul, South Korea
FUNDING: Planning EARLY is KEY!

FINANCIAL AID TRAVELS WITH YOUR STUDENT.
Financial Aid (Hope, Pell, Federal Loans) can be used for study abroad when students take courses abroad that are applicable to their degree program.

GSU STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIPS

International Education Fee Scholarship - $1,000 award for multiple programs in multiple terms.

International Access Scholarship - $2000 to $7500 for students with demonstrated financial need and to increase the representation of first-generation college students studying abroad.

NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Gilman – Up to $5,000 for students that receive the Pell Grant
Freeman Asia – UP to $5,000 for students studying language in an Asian Country

**Each Scholarship has specific eligibility requirements, please review them on the GSU Study Abroad Scholarship Website**
HEALTH & SAFETY

• The health and safety of GSU students, faculty and staff are our top priorities. All travelers are covered by CISI study abroad insurance. To learn more about coverage, speak with a study abroad advisor.

• Students receive program-specific orientations and a Pre-Departure Orientation provided by the Study Abroad Programs Office.

• Georgia State University has a robust emergency response protocol for students abroad.

• Study Abroad Programs has an emergency phone number for all study abroad participants.

• Students complete health clearance form and other documents prior to departure.
Resources

- Study Abroad Programs [website]
- Study Abroad Programs Information for Parents [Website]
- A [Parent Guide to Studying Abroad](#) (free download)
- Study Abroad Programs [Scholarship Information]
- GSU [CASSIE Information]
- Diversity Abroad – [Is Study Abroad Safe?](#)
Encourage your student to let their academic advisor know they want to study abroad during their time at GSU.

- Search Programs
- Attend a virtual Study Abroad 101 session
- Meet with a Study Abroad advisor
- Visit mystudyabroad.gsu.edu

Encourage your student to join us on Panther Involvement Network (PIN), where we post all upcoming events and workshop information.

Follow us on Instagram and Facebook!
STUDY ABROAD NEWS IN 2022

The Office of International Initiatives at GSU received the 2022 Heiskell Award for Innovation from the Institute for International Education! Read about the award [here](#).

In 2018-2019, Georgia State University sent the most African-American students to study abroad of any public institution in the United States. Read more about this [here](#).

Study Abroad Fair In Fall 2022!
October 18, 2022
Meet the Team

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