

Before meeting one-on-one with the Study Abroad Advisor, don't forget to do your HOMEWORK!!

1. Please rate your study abroad goals using the following scale:

H=High Priority

N=Neutral

L=Low Priority

- _____ Experience how people in another part of the world live, work and play.
- _____ Attain fluency in a foreign language.
- _____ Develop skills to help me get into a good graduate program.
- _____ Gain a more global perspective for better future job opportunities.
- _____ Get out of my comfort zone. I'm in this for personal growth.
- _____ Gain a more comprehensive understanding of my major or minor.
- _____ I don't know...I can't explain it...I just have to go!!
- _____ Other: _____

2. Please rate your study abroad goals using the following scale:

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When I study abroad, I prefer to....

- _____ Sit in class with native students and be instructed by a native professor. I want to experience university life like the local students.
- _____ Be a part of a group of U.S. students that travel together to the host university. I'm not ready to step too far outside of my comfort zone.
- _____ Have a really "foreign" experience. The greater the difference from the U.S., the better.
- _____ Live with other American students.
- _____ Live with other international students who speak English.
- _____ Receive a lot of support from staff at the host university and/or a resident director assigned to my specific program. I don't want to "do it alone".
- _____ Fly to the country, find the host university, and discover the country and its people on my own.
- _____ Live in a country where a foreign language is spoken, but I would like to be able to study my major subjects in English.
- _____ Live in a country where the native language is English, or where most people in the country speak English Fluently.
- _____ Live in a country where foreign language is spoken, and devote myself to learning that language while I am there.
- _____ Live in a country where foreign language is spoken, and all of my courses are taught in that language by native professors of the host country.
- _____ Live in a big, bustling city.
- _____ Live in a city about the size of Turlock (or even smaller).

3. Check all that apply:

- _____ I want to ensure that most or all of the courses I take will "count" toward my degree here at CSU, Stanislaus.
- _____ I am not concerned how many of my courses transfer to CSU, Stanislaus because I am doing this for other personal or academic reasons.
- _____ I want to take courses that count toward (circle one or more): my general education pathway and/or major/minor in _____.
- _____ I do not want to spend more money than I would at Stanislaus for the year (not even one more penny!)
- _____ I don't mind spending more money than I would at Stanislaus if it is necessary to fulfill my dreams of a specific location or program.

Name: _____
Student ID #: _____ GPA: _____
Major: _____ Minor: _____
E-mail: _____

When would you like to study abroad?

Fall ___ Spring ___ Year ___ Summer ___ Winter ___

How do you finance your education at Stanislaus? Check all that apply:

___ Family Support ___ Work ___ Scholarship ___ Cal Grant
___ University State Grant ___ Pell Grant ___ Student Loans
___ Other: _____

Have you ever been put on sanctions by University Housing or Student Judicial Affairs? ___ Yes ___ No

4. Check all that apply:

_____ I have lived or studied abroad before in _____(country) for (circle which option): summer semester year longer
_____ I traveled internationally before to the following countries: _____
_____ I have never left the United States before!!

5. Identify your top three program choices:

After you have assessed your goals and program preferences, you are ready to select the program that is perfectly suited to your unique set of circumstances. This will take a bit of research on your part.

- 1.) Read through the pamphlets, brochures and/or website information on Stan State’s study abroad programs (USAC, IP, or Stan State Exchange).
- 2.) Pay close attention to the program requirements (GPA, prerequisites and class standing). Do not select a program unless you think you may qualify!
- 3.) Select three specific programs (the city/country is not sufficient). Think “outside the box”: Only two options can be located in the same country.
- 4.) Make an appointment to meet with the Study Abroad Advisor, and bring this sheet with you. You are now ready to begin the application process!

Note: It’s okay if you have a 3-way tie, or more than three options listed (use a separate sheet of paper if you need extra space.)

Option #1

Provider: _____ Location: _____
IP USAC Exchange NSE Country City Name of Host University
GPA req: _____ Class Standing req: _____ Application Deadline: _____ Estimated program cost: _____
Subject/s you will study: _____ Prerequisites: _____

Option #2

Provider: _____ Location: _____
IP USAC Exchange NSE Country City Name of Host University
GPA req: _____ Class Standing req: _____ Application Deadline: _____ Estimated program cost: _____
Subject/s you will study: _____ Prerequisites: _____

Option #3

Provider: _____ Location: _____
IP USAC Exchange NSE Country City Name of Host University
GPA req: _____ Class Standing req: _____ Application Deadline: _____ Estimated program cost: _____
Subject/s you will study: _____ Prerequisites: _____