



THE UNIVERSITY of NORTH CAROLINA
GREENSBORO

International Programs

Why Study SOCI Abroad?

"Studying abroad in England was the best six months of my life. Still to this day, I cannot believe all of the incredible places I went, people I met, and amount of knowledge I gained. While I learned a lot in the classroom environment, it was the real-life experiences I had that taught me the most. Standing in front of the House of Parliament in London, a place so historically significant to my future profession, left me in awe and staring with wonder.

I learned more in that moment than I ever could by just reading about this same place. In a few short years, I'm going to utilize that memory and real-life experience as a source of information for teaching Civics and Economics. As a future high school social studies teacher and current sociology major, I learned about and found an understanding for more than I thought was possible, just by surrounding myself with the amazing culture and society of England."

-Colleen Mills

Studied abroad at MMU
Manchester, England

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Sociology Study Abroad



Colleen Mills at Whitby Abbey, England

Sociology Major Specifics

When is the best time to study abroad?

While every student's situation may vary, students majoring in sociology generally study abroad between their first semester Sophomore year and first semester Senior year. Some things to keep in mind when planning your study abroad experience, however, is course sequencing, certain pre-requisites, and areas of interest. Meet with SOCI advisors to develop a graduation plan that includes studying abroad.

What courses should I take abroad vs. at UNCG?

The sociology department recommends that students take a variety of both SOCI, GEC, and elective courses while studying abroad. In addition, studying abroad is a great opportunity to take courses on social problems in that culture and other various culture courses. While sociology is a flexible major, students should keep in mind that certain courses may best be taken at UNCG. These courses include SOCI 301 and 302 as well as SOCI 290 and 490. While these can be taken abroad with faculty pre-approval, it may be more challenging to find satisfactory equivalencies. Begin planning your study abroad experience early and graduate on time!

Do I need to know a foreign language?

While almost all of our international partner programs offer extensive coursework in English, the department highly recommends students consider taking a foreign language and culture course while abroad. This is a great way to fulfill foreign language requirements and will benefit students personally and professionally.

Will I Graduate on Time?

YES! With a passing grade of at least a C, students receive UNCG credit and equivalent transfer for classes taken abroad, so there is no need to prolong graduation. Transferrable coursework taken abroad can include courses in your major, electives, GECs, and internship experiences. Be sure to speak with IPC and sociology advisors for more information!

Can I Afford It?

YES! On semester or year-long exchange programs, students pay regular UNCG tuition and fees. Housing and meal costs are typically equivalent to a semester in residence at UNCG. Any financial aid received at UNCG can be applied to the program costs. In addition, students are eligible to receive travel grants to help offset the costs of airfare. Be sure to meet with IPC to discuss your options and go over budget sheets.

Other Benefits...

Simply studying abroad in any country waives a global marker, and depending on the program, a global non-western marker.



Lena Walshe studied sociology at Cape Town University, South Africa, Fall 2012

Getting Started!

IPC is dedicated to finding the right program for each student, and our huge array of partner universities allows us to do just that. **Call (336) 334-5404 or stop by 207 Foust to schedule an appointment with a study abroad advisor.** This meeting will provide you with more information on appropriate programs, finances, application procedures, and more.

Call or stop by our office!
Voice: 336.334.5404
Fax: 336.256.8509
<http://studyabroad.uncg.edu>

International Programs Center
The University of North Carolina at Greensboro
207 Foust Building
Greensboro, NC 27402-6170

Department of Sociology

Featured Exchange Programs*

CANADA

Brock University

One of the foremost leaders in the field, BU's impressive sociology program offers a concentration in critical animal studies, focusing on animal-human relationships, the role of animals in human society, our ethical duty towards animals, etc. In addition, concentrations are available in the fields of social justice and equity as well as criminology.

www.brocku.ca/social-sciences

CHINA

Chinese University of Hong Kong

CUHK offers a wide range of course options in its sociology department, including coursework focusing on Eastern cultures, theory, social networks, globalization and China, social problems, education, and many others.

www.cuhk.edu.hk

POLAND

University of Wroclaw

UW offers a wide range of sociology coursework, including political philosophy, a social face of Central Europe, social media, contemporary polish society in transition, anthropology and nationalism, interpersonal abuse in the family: chronic complex trauma, etc.

<http://international.uni.wroc.pl>

SOUTH AFRICA

University of Stellenbosch

US offers a wide range of sociology and social anthropology courses, including social issues in South Africa, crime and social control, poverty and development, industrial sociology, political and environmental sociology, etc.

www.sun.ac.za

University of Cape Town

UCT offers a wide range of general sociology coursework in the areas of sociology and industrial sociology. Coursework includes criminology; South African perspectives; race, gender, and class; poverty, development, and globalization, among others.

www.sociology.uct.ac.za

SPAIN

University of Granada

UG offers a wide range of sociology coursework, including research methods, political sociology, sociology of the family, sociology of gender and age, urban and rural sociology, among others. A minimum of SPA: 301 required.

www.ugr.es/~sociologia

SWEDEN

Linnaeus University

LU offers a wide range of courses in its intercultural studies program. Coursework focuses on issues of multiculturalism, racism, ethnicity, nationalism, nationalism, intercultural understanding.

<http://lnu.se/?l=en>

Malmo University

MU offers an impressive amount of sociology coursework, including: globalization, culture, identity; human rights; migration, politics, and social welfare; identity, subjectivity, and diversity: the Heidegger effect in social thought; peace and conflict studies, and more.

www.edu.mah.se

BOTSWANA

University of Botswana

UB's sociology department emphasizes coursework in criminology but also offers a wide variety of general sociology courses.

www.ub.bw

TURKEY

Yeditepe University

YU offers an impressive variety of sociology coursework, including: social problems in Turkey, sociology of the family, research methods, evolution of social thought, and more. Field work is available.

www.yeditepe.edu.tr

UNITED KINGDOM

University of Trinity Saint David

UTSD offers an exciting program in social inclusion, which examines issues of inclusion relating to minority groups often marginalized in society for their beliefs or circumstances, such as asylum seekers and children of prisoners. Topics covered include education, healthcare, social care, youth studies, religion, and social justice.

www.trinitysaintdavid.ac.uk

University of Hull

UH offers an extensive program in sociology, with a wide range of course options and concentrations, including gender studies, crime and deviant behavior, community and youth, power and violence, social justice, sexuality, among others.

www2.hull.ac.uk

University of Plymouth

PU offers an impressive sociology department with courses in the areas of criminology and criminal justice, international relations, research methods, social change, family, ethnicity and religion, Britain in a changing world, etc.

www.plymouth.ac.uk

MALTA

University of Malta

Located in the Mediterranean, UM offers an impressive sociology department, featuring courses such as social welfare, gender studies, contemporary social issues, political sociology, disability, etc.

www.um.edu.mt/about/academic/faculties

KOREA

Sogang University

SU offers a wide variety of elective coursework in addition to the following sociology courses: social statistics, economic sociology, religion and social movement. SU is a good option for students wishing to take a variety of both major-specific and elective/GEC courses.

<http://goabroad.sogang.ac.kr>

AUSTRALIA

Australian Catholic University

ACU offers a wide range of sociology coursework, including courses in research methods, culture and society, globalization, health and illness, Australian youth studies, race and ethnicity in Australia, among others.

www.acu.edu.au

James Cook University

JCU offers an extensive sociology program, including courses in sociology and health, power and protest in a globalized world, research methods, among many others.

www.jcu.edu.au

*While these programs are featured for the Department of Sociology, students are by no means limited to these opportunities.

For all available programs, please visit <http://studyabroad.uncg.edu>