Why Study History Abroad?

“Studying abroad allowed me to immerse myself in a different culture and truly experience it. It also allowed me to push my own boundaries and challenge myself. Knowing I could live comfortably for a year in Uruguay, I am more willing to take risks and more open to consider professional opportunities in international contexts. My advice to students who are considering studying abroad is do it! Just do it. Even if it’s scary at first, it is so rewarding and it challenges you to overcome struggles and to realize you can do it.”

Shawn Mendez
Psychology and Spanish major
Studied abroad for a year in Montevideo, Uruguay,

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History Major Specifics:

When is the best time to study abroad?
History is a flexible major, ideal for students who want to study abroad. Most history courses taken abroad fulfill history requirements at UNCG; thus, students have a lot of flexibility when it comes to choosing courses and programs abroad. History majors can study abroad anytime between their Sophomore and Senior years, but the department highly recommends that students do so before the final semester of their senior year, leaving that semester open for Research 511.

What courses can I take abroad?
History students have a great deal of flexibility when it comes to course selection and sequencing. Studying abroad is a great opportunity to fulfill a variety of major requirements, electives, and GECs. Keep in mind, however, that research intensive courses are best taken at UNCG and that students should plan on taking 391: Historical Skills and Methods as well as 511 (A, B, or C): Seminar in Historical Research and Writing at UNCG. Students interested in completing their internship abroad should consult with the history department and IPC.

Do I need to know a foreign language?
Almost all of our international partner programs offer extensive coursework in English available to exchange students. However, the history department highly recommends students consider taking a foreign language and culture course while abroad. This is a great way to fulfill language requirements and enhance the study abroad experience.

Other benefits...
Simply studying abroad in any country waives a Global marker, and depending on the program, a Global Non-Western marker. Speak to an IPC adviser for more information.

Will I Graduate on Time?
YES! Students receive UNCG credit for classes taken abroad, so there is no need to pro-long graduation.

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. Set up a meeting with an IPC adviser to review options and learn more.

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.
**History**

**Featured Exchange Programs***

**BOTSWANA**

**University of Botswana**

History courses at UB focus on the knowledge and understanding of Botswana, Southern Africa, and other areas of Africa. [More info](#)

**CHINA**

**Chinese University of Hong Kong**

At CUHK, students can take courses in national and regional history, public history, and comparative history. [More info](#)

**DENMARK**

**University of Copenhagen**

At UC, students take a wide range of history courses in the areas of weather and climate, civil and human rights, the Nordic model, and British history. [More info](#)

**ESTONIA**

**University of Tartu**

UT offers a wide range of history and culture courses in a variety of areas, including coursework in Baltic studies. [More info](#)

**MALTA**

**University of Malta**

UM offers a wide range of course options in its history department. Courses include history of medieval Europe, Malta, and the Mediterranean; history of political thought, social history of Europe, and more. [More info](#)

**POLAND**

**University of Wroclaw**

At UW, students can take a wide range of history and culture courses, including coursework related to Polish and Eastern European history. [More info](#)

**RUSSIA**

**Kazan State University**

KSU offers culture and language courses relating to Russian history, culture, and language. [More info](#)

**SPAIN**

**Universidad de Extremadura, Caceres**

At UNEX Caceres, students can take a wide range of courses in the areas of contemporary history, history of Spain, ancient history, history of Europe, and more. Requires a minimum of SPA: 301. [More info](#)

**Universidad de Salamanca**

US offers a range of history courses in its department of geography and history. Courses span prehistory, ancient history, modern history, and history of Spain and Europe. Requires a minimum of SPA: 301. [More info](#)

**SWEDEN**

**Linnaeus University**

At L.U, students can take a variety of history courses examining both social and cultural developments of the welfare state as well as post colonialism, cold war politics, and third world perspectives. [More info](#)

**SOUTH AFRICA**

**University of Cape Town**

UCT offers a wide range of courses in its history department, including coursework from the three concentrations: history, art history, and economic history. [More info](#)

**University of Stellenbosch**

US is a great option for students wishing to take a variety of history courses, including: global patterns and developments in history; wars, decolonization and globalization; international relations of Africa; South African history, among many others. [More info](#)

**TURKEY**

**Yeditepe University**

YU offers an impressive amount of courses related to the civilization and past of Turkey and neighboring countries. Coursework includes: Turkish history; pre-Islamic Turkic history; Central Asian empires and states; histories of Europe, the Middle East, and Russia; and Mediterranean cultural and art history. [More info](#)

**UNITED KINGDOM**

**University of Leicester**

UL’s impressive history department offers a wide range of course options in the areas of contemporary, ancient, and modern history. Courses include political, social, and international history, among many others. [More info](#)

**Keele University**

KU offers an impressive variety of history courses in the areas of ancient and modern history not only in regards to Europe but the world as well. [More info](#) [www.keele.ac.uk/ugcourses/history/](#)

**Manchester Metropolitan University**

MMU offers a diversity of courses ranging from Ancient Athens and Rome to the Cold War. Students take courses in ancient and modern history while discussing the politics or race, gender, religion and identity. [More info](#)

**Hull University**

At HU, students have the opportunity to enroll in history and culture courses with a focus on British and American history. [More info](#)

**KOREA**

**Sungkyunkwan University**

At SU, students take courses in Western thought, Korean and Japanese history, Paleolithic culture, East Asian history and culture, and more. [More info](#)

**Sogang University**

At SU, students take general history courses as well as literature, language, and culture studies courses. [More info](#)

*While these are featured programs for the Department of History, students are by no means limited to these opportunities. For all available programs, please visit [http://studyabroad.uncg.edu](http://studyabroad.uncg.edu).*