

#### Why Study Abroad?

"I learned not only what I am capable of—which exceeded my expectations of myself—but also what pushes the line for me and what I cannot tolerate.

It was a great internal recognition.
My best advice is to go in head first and have no regrets!"

-Jennifer Beynon Communications Studies Major Linnaeus University, Sweden

"Studying abroad is one of the most amazing experiences you will ever have! You will learn more about yourself than you ever imagined possible. You will laugh, cry, sing, dance, play, and get tested in ways you never could have, had you not left the borders of the United States."

**-Michael Wells** Anthropology Major Yeditepe University, Turkey



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## Russian Studies Study Abroad



# Do I Need to Know a Foreign Language?

While studying abroad is an ideal time to complete foreign language requirements or learn a new language, most of our international partner programs offer extensive coursework in English available to exchange students in most majors.

#### Will I Graduate on Time?

YES! students receive UNCG credit for classes taken abroad, so there is no need to prolong graduation — you can still graduate on time!

#### 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 review the budget sheet and speak to an IPC advisor.

#### Other Benefits...

Simply studying abroad in any country waives a Global marker, and depending on the program, a Global Non-Western marker. Studying abroad is an experience of a lifetime, and you will learn so much about other cultures, other people, and most certainly, you will learn so much about yourself!

#### **Eligibility Criteria...**

Participants must be fulltime students in good academic standing (about 2.75 GPA). Further requirements include support from your department and prior approval for courses taken abroad. All exchange program participants are required to attend pre-departure orientation sessions covering academic, administrative, health, financial, and cultural information necessary to prepare for a successful experience.

#### When Should I Apply?

The Fall and Academic Year application deadline to IPC is February 15th. The Spring application deadline is September 15th.

#### When Can I Study Abroad?

The best time to study abroad differs depending on your major. Talk to the study abroad coordinator in your department and to an IPC advisor. Generally, students study abroad during their Sophomore, Junior, and Senior year. Students have the option of studying abroad during their fall semester, spring semester, throughout an entire academic year, or during the summer.

## What's Special About UNCG's Programs?

Rather than signing up for preset programs, students work with academic advisors to create tailor-made study plans with their goals in mind. Our programs become an integrated part of a student's path to graduation, rather than an "extra" tacked on.

#### **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 will provide you with more information on appropriate programs, finances, application procedures, and more.

# Russian Studies Featured Exchange Programs\*

### RUSSIAN FEDERATION Kazan Federal University

This university offers a Special Russian Language Program for visiting international students who wish to study Russian. The program consists of courses that can last for one semester or one full year, offering speech practice, phonetics, grammar, reading, and more.

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### ESTONIA University of Tartu

The University of Tartu offers to undergraduate programs that are relevant for Russian majors. The first program is European Union Russian Studies. This is a multidisciplinary program that offers courses in politics, economics, law, history and cultural studies, and more. The second program is Russian Studies, which offers courses in language, literature, and political history.

http://www.ut.ee/en/eu-russiastudies

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