

Academic Checklist

Questions to Consider When Thinking About Studying Abroad

- Have I talked to my advisor about my desire to study abroad?
- What major/minor/gen ed requirements do I have yet to complete? Do I have electives I can take?
- Do I want to/can I take classes in the host language?
- Are there courses I have to take abroad? Are there courses I can only take at VWU?
- Do I want to do an internship or research abroad?
- Does this program offer at least 6-8 courses I could possibly take?
- Would the dates of this program require me to return after the start of a VWU semester?
- Will I be 1-2 credits SHORT in meeting my major/minor requirements?
- Does the program offer a language pre-course or semester language option?
- Do I have accommodations that need to be taken into consideration?





Wants/Needs Checklist



Personal Questions to Consider When Thinking About Studying Abroad

- What region of the world am I interested in?
- Have I done research? (E.g. Library, Wikipedia, Blogs, Talking to international or returned students)
- Do I have an interest in this country?
- Can I study/live in this location for 4-5 months?
- Are you more of a city or a suburban person?
- What type of housing are you interested in?
- Do I have food allergies?
- Am I a LGBTQIA+ student or a student of color?
- What "extras" does my program offer?
- Am I a student athlete and want to play or practice my sport or need access to a gym?

