

GETTING STARTED	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Watch</b> or attend the Study Abroad 101 Session	<input type="checkbox"/> Attend a <a href="#">live Study Abroad 101 session</a> or <a href="#">watch the recording here</a> <input type="checkbox"/> Watch the <a href="#">Exchange Program Information Session</a> <input type="checkbox"/> Research available exchange program
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Meet with a Study Abroad Programs Peer Advisor</b> <a href="#">Schedule an appointment</a>	<b>Discuss:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> GSU Exchange program options and locations <input type="checkbox"/> Academic considerations <input type="checkbox"/> Personal considerations <input type="checkbox"/> Study abroad scholarship opportunities
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Review Exchange programs and courses offered</b>	<b>Think about:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> What type of courses are you looking to complete? Major, minor, elective? <input type="checkbox"/> What courses are offered at the host university? This information can be found on the program's brochure page. <input type="checkbox"/> How will this program align with your degree requirements?
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Meet with an Academic Advisor</b>	<b>Discuss:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Discuss your interested exchange universities and the courses offered <input type="checkbox"/> How do the courses at the host institution align with your degree plan? <input type="checkbox"/> When is the best time to go abroad during your GSU program of study? <input type="checkbox"/> Will you take courses toward your major, minor, or electives?
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Meet with the Exchange Program Coordinator</b> <a href="#">Schedule an appointment</a>	<b>Discuss:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Discuss the program that you are considering <input type="checkbox"/> Exchange application process <input type="checkbox"/> Study abroad scholarships <input type="checkbox"/> Courses offered on programs <input type="checkbox"/> Consider your identity abroad
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Plan how to fund your study abroad experience</b>	<b>Think about:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The cost of your program (including travel & living expenses) <input type="checkbox"/> Use the <a href="#">GSU Study Abroad Program Budget Sheet</a> to help plan <input type="checkbox"/> Your GSU Financial Aid & requirements for it to travel with you <input type="checkbox"/> GSU Study Abroad Scholarships <input type="checkbox"/> National Study Abroad scholarships
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Secure or renew passport (if applicable)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> If you do not have a passport, you may be eligible for Study Abroad Programs <a href="#">Free Passport Program</a> . <input type="checkbox"/> If you need to secure or renew your passport, please visit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">U.S. Department of State</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">GSU Passport Services</a></li> </ul> <input type="checkbox"/> If you have a passport, check the expiration date <input type="checkbox"/> Passport must be valid for 6 months after your expected return date
APPLY TO STUDY ABROAD (Pre-Decision)	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Submit your online GSU Study Abroad Application</b>	<b>Deadlines to complete an Exchange Study Abroad Application vary by the program.</b> General deadlines are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Early Fall</b> for Spring semester abroad</li> <li>• <b>Early Spring</b> for Summer, Academic Year or Fall semester abroad</li> </ul> <input type="checkbox"/> Please note: Your application will be in "Awaiting PD Review" status while our office is reviewing your application. If accepted, the status will update to "Accepted". If you are not accepted into the program, you will be notified and encouraged to explore other programs you may be eligible for.

# STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

ACCEPTED TO STUDY ABROAD (Post-Decision)	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Commit to the program</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Login to your GSU Study Abroad Application and commit to the program within two weeks of acceptance <input type="checkbox"/> To be considered for GSU Study Abroad Scholarship, you must commit by scholarship deadline: <b>October 31</b> for Spring <b>May 31</b> for Fall
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Complete the Exchange University Application</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Once nominated by the Exchange Coordinator you will receive instructions from your host university on completing their application <input type="checkbox"/> After you apply and are officially accepted by the host university, they will contact you regarding next steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visa</li> <li>• Course Enrollment</li> <li>• Housing</li> <li>• Arrival information</li> </ul> <input type="checkbox"/> It is <b>important</b> to check your email (including spam folders) and stay on top of their requests.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Complete and submit <a href="#">Transfer Credit Approval Form (TCAF)</a></b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Submit course description (or syllabus) to the department approver for review Obtain signatures from department approving your courses <input type="checkbox"/> Work with Academic Advisor to develop an ideal course plan while abroad, receive their signature confirming courses are CPos compliant <input type="checkbox"/> Send to GSU Financial Aid via Panther Answer to review and sign the TCAF <input type="checkbox"/> Review your final TCAF <input type="checkbox"/> Submit the completed signed form to outgoingexchange@gsu.edu
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Complete and submit <a href="#">Health Clearance Form (HCF)</a></b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Print and download the <a href="#">GSU SAP Health Clearance Form (HCF)</a> <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule an appointment at GSU <a href="#">Student Health Services</a> or at your Primary Care Physician <input type="checkbox"/> Have your physician complete the HCF <input type="checkbox"/> Upload to your GSU SAP application <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Due 3 weeks</b> before departure date
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Travel Itinerary</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Book your flight! <a href="#">Student Universe</a> is a partner of GSU! <input type="checkbox"/> Update your Travel Itinerary in your GSU SAP Application <input type="checkbox"/> <b>DO NOT</b> purchase a plane ticket until you have received arrival information for your program <input type="checkbox"/> The dates of your travel will determine the dates of your CISI Study Abroad insurance enrollment
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Complete all GSU Study Abroad Post-Decision Application Requirements</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Login to your application and complete any remaining components of your post-decision GSU Study Abroad Application. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Due 3 weeks</b> before departure date
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Complete all remaining Program Requirements</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Check with your host university to ensure you have completed all of their requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Once accepted by the host university. You will receive guidance regarding academics, housing, visa, and arrival information. It's important to check your email and stay on top of their requests.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Attend Pre-Departure Orientation (PDO)</b> <b>Mandatory to complete</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Study Abroad Programs will host Exchange Pre-departure Orientations in November for Spring Exchange students and April for Fall and AY Exchange students. After acceptance, you will be informed of specific dates. <input type="checkbox"/> Review the Pre-Departure Guide in your GSU SAP Application <input type="checkbox"/> Your host university may host an additional PDO
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Register for INEX Courses</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> INEX courses are used as a place holder to maintain your full-time student status at GSU. Enrolling in INEX will also prevent any impact on your financial aid <input type="checkbox"/> After your TCAF is submitted to our office, we will contact you regarding INEX Enrollment <input type="checkbox"/> Follow instructions from Exchange Program Director to register for INEX courses <input type="checkbox"/> Be sure you are properly registered before the given deadline
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Visa (if applicable)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Visit <a href="http://travel.state.gov/visa/">http://travel.state.gov/visa/</a> for visa requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Follow guidance from your program regarding visa requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Research required documents for visa application <input type="checkbox"/> GSU SAP can provide letters of support for visa

# Exchange Application Timeline



The Exchange process is divided into five general stages. Please read the information below to learn the details and tasks of each stage:

