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RIT Study Abroad

“TRAVEL IS THE MOST
INTENSE MODE OF LEARNING”
-KEVIN KELLY



RIT | Global
Education
Abroad

Why Study Abroad?

- Examine your field of study from a new perspective.
- Meet global innovators.
- Gain professional skills to set you apart in a globalized work environment.
- Solve problems, take on new challenges.
- Follow your curiosity and experience the interconnectedness of the world.



Program Locations

Over 600
programs in
60 different
countries!



Denmark



South Africa



Dubai



Ireland



Italy



Australia



Russia

5 Program Types

Global Campus

- Global Campuses
 - RIT campuses in Croatia, Dubai, Kosovo
 - Semester and Summer options
 - Seamless study abroad
 - Take RIT classes from RIT faculty
 - Pay RIT tuition
 - All classes in English

Engineering
IT/Computing
Business
Economics

**Hospitality &
Tourism**
Public Policy
Liberal Arts



Faculty-Led

- Designed, developed and led by an RIT faculty member.
- Usually shorter in length (between 1-5 weeks).
- Travel with other RIT students and faculty member as a cohort.
- May be part of a fall or spring course in Rochester.



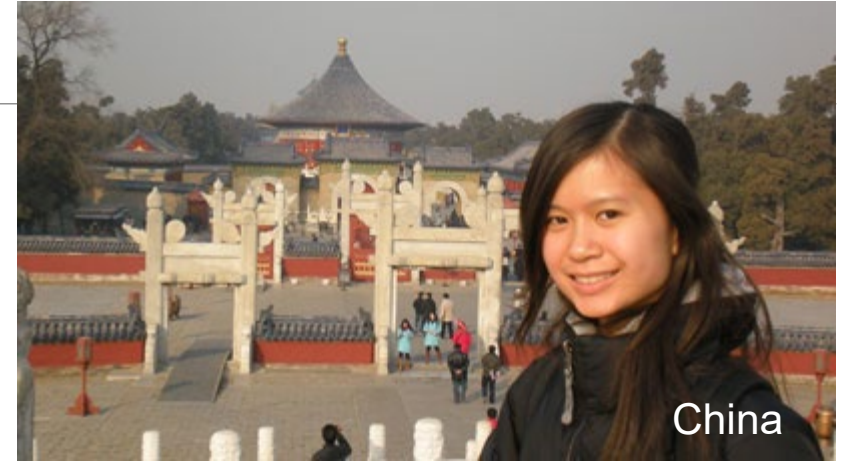
Affiliate

- Partner organizations that RIT works with
 - Arcadia, CIEE, SAI, School for Field Studies, etc.
- Semester, Summer, Winter Break, Academic Year
- Variety of coursework
- Scholarship funding available through affiliate partners



Exchange

- Direct RIT partnership with an overseas university (enroll as an international student).
- Course discipline specific, very culturally immersive, language immersive.



International Research

- Opportunity to participate in a research project via a faculty mentor.



Cultural Immersion



- Study Center
- Live with other Americans
- Take classes in English
- Planned activities/excursions

- Enrolled in local University
- Home Stay
- Take classes in a foreign language
- Live and travel like a local

Coursework

- **Study Abroad & Your Major – Every Major Can Study Abroad!**
 - Study abroad pathways identify the optimum time to fit in a semester abroad for your major
 - Major dedicated pages at: studyabroad.rit.edu > Study Abroad & Your Major
- **Minor, immersion, liberal arts, or free electives**
 - More program choices available when your courses are flexible
 - Try to save some electives or general education credits to take abroad
- **Course Pre-Approval Form**
 - Stay on track to graduation

EARLY PLANNING IS KEY!

- Especially for STEM majors
- If you want to apply for study abroad scholarships



Ghana

Program Considerations

Think about what your priorities are:

- Level of Cultural Immersion
- Coursework
- Location
- Cost
- Level of support

Talking with a study abroad advisor can be helpful in determining what is most important to you.



Program Costs

All programs will at least charge:

- Tuition
- Program Fee
(housing, in-country orientation, airport transportation, excursions built into program)
- Out-of-pocket expenses
(flight, personal spending money, meals (if not included in program fee), in-country transportation (bus pass, taxi, etc))

Using Financial Aid

- Full time while abroad (12 credits) – may use RIT and federal aid.
- Half time while abroad (6 credits) – may use federal aid
- Budget worksheet provided by Education Abroad office outlines expected costs.
 - Bring to a meeting with your financial aid advisor.



Study Abroad Scholarships

- RIT Study Abroad Scholarships:
 - RIT Education Abroad Office Travel Grants (\$500-\$1,000)
 - Honors students \$500 travel grant.
 - Scholarships for study abroad offered through College of Business, College of Engineering Technology, College of Liberal Arts, NTID
- Many affiliate providers offer scholarship funding that is easy to apply for.
- National scholarships:
Gilman, Fund for Education Abroad, Diversity Abroad & more.
- Use the search tool at: fellowships.rit.edu



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International Fellowships

- Funding for:
 - Undergraduate or graduate studies abroad
 - Conduct research abroad
 - Teach English abroad
 - Professional development
 - Arts/creative projects abroad

Fulbright, Rhodes Scholarship, DAAD Rise, Critical Language Scholarship, Boren

- Usually require excellent academic and leadership records.
- Work with Education Abroad office to submit competitive applications

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FAQs

HOW LONG CAN I GO FOR?

As short as a few weeks to as long as a full year.

WHEN DO MOST PEOPLE GO ABROAD?

Most students tend to go their 2nd or 3rd year, but check with your advisor to see when it best fits into your degree program.

CAN I GO MORE THAN ONCE?

Yes.

HOW DO I CONVINC MY PARENTS THAT STUDYING ABROAD IS A GOOD IDEA?

Have your parents visit studyabroad.rit.edu and click on “Parents” link.

CAN I TALK TO STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN ABROAD?

Yes! We have student Global Ambassadors who work for our office and can share their experience with you. **See a list at: www.rit.edu/global/global-ambassadors**



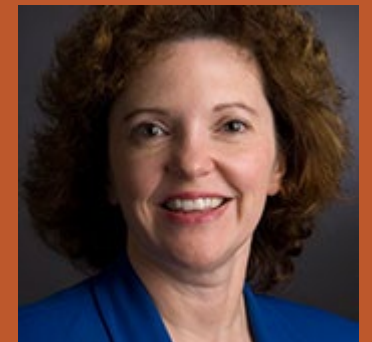
Next Steps

1. Plan EARLY- Tell your academic advisor that you want to go abroad.
2. Go to our website and log into Compass to search programs: studyabroad.rit.edu.
3. When you have narrowed down your choices to a few programs, make an appointment with a study abroad advisor to learn about the application process.
global@rit.edu or 585-475-4466

- Start your applications at least 6 months before you plan to go abroad.
- Start planning a year in advance if you plan on applying for scholarships.



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Thank You!

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