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About
As the University’s central point of contact for all of its international activities, the International Programs Center (IPC) develops, coordinates, and supports global learning opportunities for students. IPC’s work supports UNC Greensboro’s diversity, equity, and inclusion goals.

Education Abroad
A UNC Greensboro student in good standing may engage in a summer, semester, or academic year opportunity abroad in several ways.

Faculty-Led Programs
UNC Greensboro professors regularly develop and lead student group programs overseas for course credit. Over the past few years, groups have gone to such countries as Costa Rica, China, Greece, Spain, United Kingdom, and Tanzania, among many others. Faculty lead students abroad on interculturally immersive short-term programs during Winter Break, Spring Break, and over summer.

Exchange Programs
UNC Greensboro students may study abroad for a semester or year at one of our partner universities while still paying UNC Greensboro tuition and utilizing all their financial aid. This makes exchange programs one of the most accessible avenues for studying abroad. These long-standing exchange partnerships provide reliable support abroad since UNC Greensboro reciprocally hosts exchange students from these partner universities to come and study at UNC Greensboro. Programs are available for every major in over 40 countries around the world.

Virtual Global Programs
UNC Greensboro students may take advantage of virtual international experiences to learn a language, access subject areas as taught by partner institutions, or even engage in an internship with an organization abroad. These affordable, credit-bearing opportunities allow students to engage internationally regardless of where they are located.

Additional Education Abroad Programs
Students can also take advantage of dozens of additional approved summer, semester, and year-long study, intern, and research abroad opportunities offered by UNC Greensboro partner universities, affiliated education abroad providers, and faculty members. These non-exchange education abroad options also offer a cost effective means to engage in global activities.

Note that participation in non-UNC Greensboro-affiliated education abroad programs requires approval from the International Programs Center in order for transfer credit to be awarded, for non-credit curricular requirements to be satisfied, or for UNC Greensboro financial aid or scholarships to apply.

International Student and Scholar Services
UNC Greensboro is home to more than 600 international students and scholars who represent more than 70 countries around the world. Specific services and advocacy are provided by the International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) for degree-seeking international students and visiting scholars, including faculty, researchers, and observers. IPC provides services from the time of initial contact through the student or scholar’s entire experience at the university.

Fellowships Advising and Mentorship
Housed in the International Programs Center (IPC), the Fellowships Advising and Mentorship (FAM) unit provides information and support to UNC Greensboro undergraduate students, recent graduates, and graduate students applying for nationally and internationally competitive fellowships and scholarships. Opportunities include undergraduate and graduate study, research, and teaching — often in other countries.

FAM works with faculty and units across campus to provide advice and feedback for candidates at all stages of the application process, from planning to applying to final submission, helping applicants to become more competitive for scholarships.

System-Wide Initiative: Baden-Württemberg North Carolina (BW/NC) Exchange Program
On behalf of the UNC System, IPC is responsible for the administration of the Baden-Württemberg state-to-state Exchange Program (https://sites.google.com/uncg.edu/bwnc-exchange/home/). We established this study abroad exchange partnership between North Carolina’s 15 university campuses and the 9 Baden-Württemberg universities in Germany. The BW/NC Exchange Program allows students to continue enrollment on their home campus while studying abroad at an exchange institution in Baden-Württemberg or North Carolina for no additional tuition.

Committees
All IPC activities are carefully supervised and supported by the following committees:

- Discretionary Funds Committee
- Global Leadership (GLP) Steering Committee
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- International Student Enrollment Committee
- IPC Advisory Committee
- Study Abroad Committee