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About

As the university's central point of contact for all of its international activities, the International Programs Center (IPC) does many things that help increase the diversity of UNC Greensboro's faculty and students.

Study Abroad

A UNC Greensboro student in good standing may spend a summer, semester, or academic year abroad in several ways.

Academic Year and Semester Abroad Programs

UNC Greensboro Exchange Programs

Through various exchange agreements, a UNC Greensboro student may swap places with a student in another country. Under these arrangements, students study abroad for approximately the cost of being in residence at UNC Greensboro. Students can choose from over ninety exchange partner programs in more than forty-five countries. Examples of our partner program locations include Australia, Botswana, Canada, Chile, China, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Poland, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Turkey, and the United Kingdom. As a member of ISEP (a Virginia-based exchange organization), UNC Greensboro is also able to place students in any one of 300 member institutions in 50 countries overseas. The cost of such study is about the same as being in residence at UNC Greensboro. Because of such exchanges UNC Greensboro hosts about 150 international exchange students per year from our partner universities.

Semester Abroad Programs

UNC Greensboro offers other study abroad semester programs to several countries, including India and Russia. Although not student exchange programs, these study abroad options are nonetheless less costly than study abroad opportunities offered through most other providers.

Non-UNC Greensboro Programs

A UNC Greensboro student may spend a summer, semester, or year abroad under the auspices of a group or institution approved by the UNC Greensboro Study Abroad Committee. While generally more costly than ISEP or the UNC Greensboro programs, this option may be of interest to students seeking particular experiences not otherwise available.

Short-Term Faculty-Led / Summer Abroad Programs

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

Students can also take advantage of dozens of summer study programs and internships offered by UNC Greensboro exchange partner universities.

International Student and Scholar Services

UNC Greensboro is home to 479 degree-seeking international students and scholars who represent 69 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.

System-Wide Initiatives

Baden-Württemberg North Carolina (BW/NC) Exchange Program

On behalf of the UNC System, IPC/SAE is responsible for the administration of the Baden-Württemberg state-to-state Exchange Program. We established this study abroad exchange partnership between North Carolina’s 15 university campuses and the nine 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. In addition, we offer exciting international internship opportunities (http://lpnc.uni-mannheim.de/english/internship%20in%20Baden-Wuerttemberg) in conjunction with exchange study at our partner universities and through affiliation with selected international internship providers in Baden-Württemberg.

The University of North Carolina International Recruiting Consortium (UNCIRC)

The University of North Carolina International Recruiting Consortium (UNCIRC) is dedicated to providing support for international degree-seeking student recruiting efforts on behalf of participating UNC campuses. UNCIRC offers its membership the opportunity to leverage shared resources for recruiting international undergraduate and graduate students from targeted regions throughout the world.

Committees

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

- Discretionary Funds Committee
- Global Leadership (GLP) Steering Committee
- International Students and Scholars Services Committee
- IPC Advisory Committee
• Scholars at Risk Committee
• Study Abroad Committee