3 Reasons International Relations & Political Science Students Should Study Abroad

1. Get firsthand insight into the political and economic climate of your host country. Study abroad allows you to observe life under different political and economic systems and experience what you may have only heard about in the classroom.

2. Become more effective at cross-cultural communication. Being able to engage respectfully with people from different cultural, religious, and political backgrounds is a valued skill in a range of career fields. Study abroad will give you more tools to effectively connect with people.

3. Fulfill major requirements while abroad. Few other academic disciplines accommodate a semester or summer study abroad program as well as international relations and political science. Get credit for coursework that enhances your knowledge of different political or economic systems.

Things To Consider

1. Is there a country or region that you’re really passionate about? Do you want to take courses with local students?

2. Studying the political, cultural, religious, or economic context of another country is enhanced by a knowledge of the local language. How will knowing another language enhance your studies and boost your future career?

3. Are there courses that are not available on your home campus that you’d like to be able to take while abroad?

Available Terms

- Academic Year
- Semester
- Quarter
- Short Term
- Summer
- J-Term
- Intensive Month

Program Options

- Host University Internship Course
- Host University Service-Learning
- Host University Research
- ISA Service-Learning Program
- Christian Study Abroad (ISA Veritas)
- Study Abroad + Research

COURSES IN ENGLISH UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

What follows represents only a sampling of available ISA programs. To get more information on the programs shown, as well as information on all other program options, go to studiesabroad.com.
African Studies

SOUTH AFRICA

Cape Town
University of the Western Cape: Political and Social Sciences, African Studies & Health

Port Elizabeth
Nelson Mandela University: Environment & Global Health

Asian Studies

CHINA

Shanghai
East China Normal University: Business, Chinese Studies & Language

JAPAN

Tokyo
J.F. Oberlin University: Business, Japanese Language & Culture

Tokyo
J.F. Oberlin University: International Studies, Japanese Language & Culture

Tokyo
Musashi University: East Asia Studies & Japanese Language

SOUTH KOREA

Busan
Pusan National University: Business, Global Studies & Korean Language

Busan
Pusan National University: Korean Language & Culture

Port Elizabeth
Nelson Mandela University: History, Culture & Community Service Learning

Port Elizabeth
Nelson Mandela University: Sustainable Development, Environmental Studies & Sport Science

Seoul
Hanyang University: Korean Language & Courses in English

Seoul
Hanyang University: Korean Language & Courses in English & STEM Research

Seoul
Korea University: Korean Language & Electives in English

Seoul
Korea University: Korean Language & Electives in English

Seoul
Korea University: STEM, Business, Social Sciences & Liberal Arts
European Studies

**CZECH REPUBLIC**

- **Prague**
  - Charles University: History & Culture
  - Charles University: History, Culture & Politics

**FRANCE**

- **Paris**
  - Institut Catholique de Paris: French Language & Liberal Arts

**GERMANY**

- **Berlin**
  - Freie Universität Berlin: German Language & European Studies
  - Freie Universität Berlin: German Language & European Studies

**IRELAND**

- **Dublin**
  - Maynooth University: Arts, Music, Social & Natural Sciences
  - Maynooth University: Irish Studies, International Business & Liberal Arts

**SPAIN**

- **Granada**
  - Universidad de Granada: Spanish Language, Culture & Electives
    *(Courses in English and Spanish)*

- **Madrid**
  - Universidad Antonio de Nebrija: Spanish Language, Hispanic Studies & Electives
    *(Courses in English and Spanish)*

- **Madrid**
  - Universidad Antonio de Nebrija: Spanish Language, Liberal Arts, Business & STEM
    *(Courses in English and Spanish)*

- **Seville**
  - Universidad de Sevilla: Hispanic Studies & Electives

Latin American Studies

**ARGENTINA**

- **Buenos Aires**
  - Universidad de Belgrano: Latin American Studies
    *(Courses in English and Spanish)*

**BRAZIL**

- **Florianópolis**
  - Universidade do Sul de Santa Catarina: Culture, Portuguese Language & Business
    *(Courses in English and Portuguese)*

**CHILE**

- **Valparaíso & Viña del Mar**
  - Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso: Spanish Language & Latin American Studies
    *(Courses in English and Spanish)*

**COSTA RICA**

- **Heredia**
  - Universidad Latina: Spanish Language, Latin American Studies & Courses with Locals
    *(Courses in Spanish)*
Latin American Studies  (continued)

**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

Santiago
Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra: Caribbean Culture & Spanish Language
*Courses in English and Spanish*

Santiago
Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra: Caribbean Culture, Spanish Language & Courses with Locals
*Courses in English and Spanish*

**PERU**

Cusco
Universidad de Salamanca: Cursos Internacionales en Cusco: Language, Literature & Culture
*Courses in English and Spanish*

Lima
Universidad de Piura: Lima: Business, Latin American Studies & Spanish Language
*Courses in Spanish*

Middle Eastern Studies

**MOROCCO**

Meknes
ISA Meknes Study Center: Arabic Studies, International Relations & Language

Pacific Studies

**AUSTRALIA**

Gold Coast
Bond University: Business, Communications, Built Environment, Health Science & Liberal Arts

**FIJI**

Suva
University of the South Pacific: Environmental Studies, Education & Liberal Arts

**NEW ZEALAND**

Auckland
AUT University: Design, Business, Maori Studies, Engineering, Tourism, Media & Communication

Wellington
Victoria University of Wellington: Business, Life Sciences, Social Sciences & Liberal Arts
International Relations

**ARGENTINA**

**Buenos Aires**
Universidad de Belgrano: Latin American Studies
*(Courses in English and Spanish)*

**AUSTRALIA**

**Gold Coast**
Bond University: Business, Communications, Built Environment, Health Science & Liberal Arts

**AUSTRALIA**

**Sydney**
University of Sydney: Business, STEM, Liberal Arts, Health & Social Sciences

**CHILE**

**Valparaíso & Viña del Mar**
Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez: Business and Culture in English & Courses with Locals
*(Courses in English and Spanish)*

**CZECH REPUBLIC**

**Prague**
Charles University: History, Culture & Politics

**ENGLAND**

**London**
Kingston University: Business, Computer Science, Exercise Science & Liberal Arts

**ITALY**

**Rome**
The American University of Rome: Business, Communications, International Relations & Liberal Arts

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**Meknes**
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**NEW ZEALAND**

**Auckland**
University of Auckland: Business, STEM, Social Science & Liberal Arts

**Wellington**
Victoria University of Wellington: Business, Life Sciences, Social Sciences & Liberal Arts

**SOUTH AFRICA**

**Port Elizabeth**
Nelson Mandela University: Sustainable Development, Environmental Studies & Sport Science

**SOUTH KOREA**

**Seoul**
Hanyang University: Korean Language & Courses in English & STEM Research

**Seoul**
Korea University: Korean Language & Electives in English

**Seoul**
Korea University: STEM, Business, Social Sciences & Liberal Arts

**SPAIN**

**Barcelona**
Universidad Pompeu Fabra: Spanish Language, Liberal Arts & Business
*(Courses in English and Spanish)*

**Bilbao**
Universidad de Deusto: Spanish Language & Liberal Arts in English and Spanish
*(Courses in English and Spanish)*

**Seville**
ISA Study Center with Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo: International Studies & Business
International Relations (continued)

SPAIN

Seville
ISA Study Center with Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo: International Studies, Business & Spanish Language

Seville
ISA Study Center with Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo: Spanish Language, Culture & Business

THAILAND

Bangkok
Mahidol University: Business, Hospitality, Social Science & STEM

International Studies

ARGENTINA

Buenos Aires
Universidad de Belgrano: Latin American Studies (Courses in English and Spanish)

AUSTRALIA

Sydney
University of New South Wales: Engineering, Natural Sciences, Business, Liberal Arts & Social Sciences

BRAZIL

Florianópolis
Universidade de Sul de Santa Catarina: Culture, Portuguese Language & Business

Florianópolis
Universidade de Sul de Santa Catarina: Culture, Portuguese Language & International Business

CHILE

Valparaíso & Viña del Mar
Pontificia Universidad Católica de Valparaíso: Spanish Language & Latin American Studies (Courses in English and Spanish)

CZECH REPUBLIC

Prague
Charles University: History & Culture

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Charles University: History, Culture & Politics

ENGLAND

London
Queen Mary, University of London: Arts, International Studies & Science

GERMANY

Berlin
Freie Universität Berlin: German Language & European Studies

Berlin
Freie Universität Berlin: German Language & European Studies
International Studies (continued)

IRELAND

Galway
National University of Ireland, Galway: Liberal Arts, Business & Irish Studies

JAPAN

Tokyo
J.F. Oberlin University: Business, Japanese Language & Culture

Tokyo
J.F. Oberlin University: International Studies, Japanese Language & Culture

Tokyo
Musashi University: East Asia Studies & Japanese Language

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NEW ZEALAND

Auckland
University of Auckland: Business, STEM, Social Science & Liberal Arts

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Korea University: Korean Language & Electives in English

Seoul
Korea University: STEM, Business, Social Sciences & Liberal Arts

SPAIN

Barcelona
Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona: International Studies, Business & Culture

Bilbao
Universidad de Deusto: Spanish Language & Liberal Arts in English and Spanish (Courses in English and Spanish)

Madrid
Universidad Carlos III de Madrid: Business, International Studies & Communication Courses with Locals in English

Seville
ISA Study Center with Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo: International Studies & Business

Seville
ISA Study Center with Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo: International Studies, Business & Spanish Language

Seville
ISA Study Center with Universidad Internacional Menéndez Pelayo: Spanish Language, Culture & Business

THAILAND

Bangkok
Mahidol University: Business, Hospitality, Social Science & STEM
Political Science

**ARGENTINA**

**Buenos Aires**
University de Belgrano: Latin American Studies *(Courses in English and Spanish)*

**AUSTRALIA**

**Brisbane**
University of Queensland: STEM, Business, Social Sciences & Liberal Arts

**Newcastle**
University of Newcastle: STEM, Liberal Arts & Education

**Sydney**
University of New South Wales: Engineering, Natural Sciences, Business, Liberal Arts & Social Sciences

**Townsville**
James Cook University: Environmental and Marine Science, Business, Psychology & Liberal Arts

**CZECH REPUBLIC**

**Prague**
Charles University: History & Culture

**PRAGUE**
Charles University: History, Culture & Politics

**IRELAND**

**Galway**
National University of Ireland, Galway: Liberal Arts, Business & Irish Studies

**ITALY**

**Rome**
The American University of Rome: Business, Communications, International Relations & Liberal Arts

**NEW ZEALAND**

**Dunedin**
University of Otago: Natural Sciences, Exercise Science, Social Science & Liberal Arts

**Wellington**
Victoria University of Wellington: Business, Life Sciences, Social Sciences & Liberal Arts

**SCOTLAND**

**Glasgow**
University of Glasgow: Business, STEM, Social Sciences & Liberal Arts

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Political Science (continued)

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What’s Next?

FIVE STEPS to studying abroad

STEP 1  Start perusing
there’s no better time than right now

We know that everyone starts from somewhere different. If you’re:
- Dabbling—follow ISA on Instagram for inspiration: @isaabroad
- Debating—call 512-645-1469 and talk with an ISA Program Advisor.
- Deciding—as in deciding when and where—visit: studiesabroad.com

STEP 2  Start planning
as soon as possible or 12 months ahead of travel

This is when you’ll finalize where and when you want to go abroad. You’ll also want to work with your study abroad advisor to confirm that the classes you want to take will count toward your degree and better understand how credits are transferred.

STEP 3  Start preparing
4-8 months ahead of travel

There are a few things that you’ll need to knock out during this step, including applications for your program, financial aid, and your passport. This is also when you’ll book your flight, and it all starts to get real.

STEP 4  Start packing
4-6 weeks ahead of travel

It’s go time!
Your prep work is done—just leave some room in your suitcase for souvenirs. We’ll give you all the info you need as you’re getting ready to go.

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