




Wartburg College

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Study Abroad opportunities at Wartburg include semester and May Term abroad. This document has been designed to assist you in advising students who express interest in semester study abroad.

Through a network of accredited centers and university affiliations, Wartburg College offers students international opportunities for undergraduate classroom courses, research opportunities, service learning, and internships abroad.

You can direct your advisee to explore and research programs at this web site: <http://www.wartburg.edu/study-abroad/studyabroad.aspx> The majority of Wartburg course credits can be obtained abroad: Study Abroad does not extend the length of the degree plan.

Student Profile:

- junior or senior at time of departure
- a GPA of 2.3

Academic credit is available through two types of programs:

- **traditional classroom settings** at colleges and universities
- **field experiences** that are site or region specific for which credit is awarded

Examples of affiliations that offer **traditional classroom settings**:

- Center for International Educational Exchange: <http://syllabi.ciee.org/Pages/default.aspx>
- Arcadia University: <http://finder.arcadia.edu/finder/site>
- American Institute for Foreign Study: <http://www.aifsabroad.com>
- Institute for International Education: <https://www.iesabroad.org/IES/home.html>

Affiliates that offer hands-on field experience where coursework often has a specific theme or topic:

- School for International Training: <http://www.sit.edu/studyabroad>
- Partnership for Service Learning: <http://www.ipsl.org>
- Center for Global Education: <http://www.augsburg.edu/global>

The Diers Program at Wartburg is an opportunity for students to participate in a service-related field with opportunity for internship or experiential credit. In addition, credit for an arranged study is possible as well as RE 373 and ID 373 if needed. Please contact the Study Abroad program for more information.

Wartburg Study Abroad is happy to assist your advisee in researching the program that will most benefit the academic career. Direct Students to Kathy Traetow in Study Abroad, WBC 118; email [kathy.traetow@wartburg.edu](mailto:kathy.traetow@wartburg.edu); Phone 319-352-8427.

If you as a faculty would like to discuss Study Abroad you can contact Kathy or Dr. Joyce Boss at 319-352-8223 or Dr. Chip Bouzard at 319-352-823.

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## REGISTERING FOR STUDY ABROAD

To be full-time, students must be enrolled in a minimum of three-and-one half (3.5) equivalent course credits per semester, which is 13 semester hours (or thirteen classroom contact hours per week). To earn credit at the rate of nine course credits per year, which is typical at Wartburg, students must enroll in the equivalent of four-and-one half (4.5) course credits per semester abroad, which is equivalent to 16 semester hours per semester.

If students expect certain courses taken abroad to fulfill specific major, minor, or essential education requirements at Wartburg, the content must be equivalent, and the course must also be worth at least four semester hours to be equivalent to one course credit at Wartburg.

The course choices made by you and your advisee will be reviewed and approved by Wartburg Registrar Sheree Covert before the student is allowed to depart for study abroad program.

While students will receive letter grades from their semester abroad, grades earned in course work offered through other institutions will not be factored into their Wartburg grade point average.

### Registration:

In March, students should complete the onsite registration form for VE 999 Venture Ed and include the country where they will be studying, i.e., VE 999 Venture Ed: Thailand. Students must also complete the Request to Earn Credit at Another Institution form and submit to the Registrar's Office. These forms may be obtained through the Forms link on My.Wartburg or in the Registrar's office.

## How students can apply:

Students need to submit an application to the Wartburg Study Abroad program by Feb. 1 of the year proceeding the year they plan to study off campus.

The online application can be found at:

<http://www.wartburg.edu/forms/studyabroad.aspx>

## COST AND ACCEPTANCE

For many programs, the cost is comparable to remaining on campus for a semester. Each applicant will receive a cost estimate sheet to consider helping them determine if study abroad is right for them.

The Wartburg Study Abroad program conducts an interview with each applicant. Once selected, applicants are required to attend mandatory orientation sessions. The Study Abroad program continues to be in contact with the student while they are gone, and conducts a reentry debriefing once they return to campus. In addition, each student completes an evaluation regarding their program with Study Abroad 101.

## BEFORE DEPARTURE

Each student will be required to submit the following:

- Health form
- Participation form
- Signatures from Advisor(s), Registrar, Financial Aid, Residential Life, and a "cultural advisor"( either a professor, international student, or returned study abroad student who had been immersed in their site abroad.)

*Study Abroad options, processes, and requirements can be overwhelming. We welcome your comments and questions. Please feel free to contact us or send your advisees our way.*

Students living and learning in countries and cultures other than their own learn important skills enabling them to acclimate in today's global workplace of constant change. Opportunities for study abroad facilitate a net gain of insightful cultural awareness, an affinity for the people and cultures in countries around the world, and the ability to hone essential foreign language skills through cultural immersion.