Where Do We Go?

- Brandeis has over 300 approved programs in 64 different countries
- Approximately 40% of the junior class studies abroad
- Every major and minor studies abroad

Want more information? Here’s how to get started:

- Visit www.brandeis.edu/abroad
- Click “New Users”
- Complete the “Advising & Goals Questionnaire”
- Watch the Online Information Session and take a short quiz
- Connect with several advising resources:
  - Make an appointment with an Office of Study Abroad staff member
  - Speak with your Study Abroad Faculty Liaison about how to incorporate your academic plan into studying abroad
  - Talk with a Study Abroad Ambassador

Excite

- Conduct research on climate change in Mongolia
- Take economics classes in Cape Town, South Africa
- Gain expertise in Spanish in Santiago, Chile
- Learn about the film industry in Prague, Czech Republic
- Study Honors Psychology in Haifa, Israel

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Who We Are

The Office of Study Abroad, a unit of The Provost’s Office at Brandeis University, aims to help all students take advantage of the opportunity to live and learn in a new and different cultural context. The staff of the Office of Study Abroad work to ensure that students have access to educational experiences that foster their development as global citizens. We strive to provide students with opportunities to develop the skills required to address the challenges of our increasingly interconnected world.

Brandeis-Led Study Abroad Programs

Brandeis-Led Study Abroad Programs are either faculty-led programs abroad or programs that have Brandeis faculty oversight. Building on strong connections in Denmark, India, Italy and the Netherlands, Brandeis University has developed these unique academic programs for undergraduate students. The programs embody the distinctive elements of a Brandeis education, including the intense intellectual engagement students share with our cutting-edge faculty; rich experiential learning opportunities; and the university’s longstanding commitment to global engagement and social justice.

- Brandeis-India Science Scholars Program (spring)
- Brandeis in The Hague (spring & summer)
- Brandeis in Siena (summer)
- Brandeis in Copenhagen (summer)

Summer Programs

Each summer, Brandeis students spread out across the globe and take courses that help shape their academic career during the rest of their time at Brandeis. Some summer abroad programs include:

- An academic internship in a major international city
- Completing major/minor requirements
- Gaining hands-on experience in the community health field
- Fulfilling general university requirements
- Improving foreign language skills or completing a foreign language requirement
- Participating in an archaeological dig

Exchange Programs

Brandeis University proudly hosts exchange students on campus from our exchange partner institutions:

- Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Indian Institute of Science
- Korea University
- National University of Singapore

While Brandeis students go abroad to study at these institutions, students from our partners come to Brandeis for the semester or summer to study, helping foster greater intercultural exchange both abroad and on campus.

Midyear Programs

Each year Brandeis welcomes part of the incoming first-year class to campus in January. During the preceding fall semester about one-third of these students participate in a focused program with other incoming Brandeis students. Students take classes in London, England or Florence, Italy. These programs offer unique opportunities for students to explore a new culture, learn a language, and gain professional experience.

Students arrive at Brandeis in the spring with a semester of transfer credits, including having completed their University Writing Seminar requirement among other university requirements. They also have a cohort of peers, a strong sense of self, and an ability to hit the ground running.

Scholarships

During the last school year, Brandeis students were awarded over $140,000 in scholarship specifically for studying abroad. These students participated in competitive application processes for local and national scholarships, including Brandeis’ own Sachar Study Abroad Scholarships.

Study abroad scholarships help ease the financial costs of traveling and living abroad. The Office of Study Abroad works closely with students to promote scholarships, assist them in applying, and advise them throughout the process.

“I learned many things from my experience abroad. One would be how the greater sense of community in other societies plays a role in many aspects of life, including health. It was definitely worthwhile.”

– Joel Burt-Miller ’16; SIT/South Africa: Community Health and Social Policy; Spring 2015; Majors: Biology and Health: Science, Society, and Policy (HSSP)

“I learned how to inhabit my discomfort, dismantle and reshape it. I learned that in its unwillingness to make exceptions, the process of adjustment would demand growth in ways I couldn’t have anticipated. I learned what it meant to take risks that were significant to me, and to live vividly. I learned how to care better, and out loud, and that an absence of language can serve to create space for a more powerful communication. And I came to realize that however much of this place and these people I carried home with me, I would leave as much of myself behind to come back to. This has been a worth beyond words.”

– Leah Hastings ’16; IFSA-Butler/Chilean Universities Program; Spring 2015; Major: Psychology; Minor: Hispanic Studies