STUDY ABROAD IN:
VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

Art History · Art Studio · Cinema and Digital Media · Design · Music · Theater and Dance

WHY STUDY ABROAD?

“It is all about perspective, and sometimes one learns more about one’s place by going away”
— Professor Pablo Ortiz, Music, UC Davis

⇒ Strengthen your creative portfolio with international perspective
⇒ Expand your worldview by experiencing another culture firsthand
⇒ Improve your imagination, creativity, and flexibility
⇒ Bring your coursework to life out in the “real world”
⇒ Enhance your resume and/or application for graduate school

HOW DO I BEGIN?

DEFINE YOUR ACADEMIC GOALS
While abroad, would you want to:
• fulfill major or minor credit
• do lab research or an internship
• master a second language
• Take GEs or something just for fun?

PLAN EARLY
the sooner you plan your study abroad experience, the more options you have. Program deadlines can be very early.

TALK TO A STUDY ABROAD ADVISOR
Study abroad has over 400 programs. Some are specifically for arts and design; others allow a combination of major content and other courses. Let us help you find the perfect one!

TALK TO YOUR MAJOR ADVISOR
What classes should you complete while abroad? Does your department have any specific requirements you must complete before you go? How long can you be away from UC Davis?

DID YOU KNOW?

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CAN I AFFORD IT?

Financial aid goes with you. Once you narrow down programs you are interested in, meet with our Study Abroad financial aid advisor to see how your aid will be adjusted for study abroad. Aid will vary depending on your package and the type of program chosen.

Scholarships are available — check out the “Finances” section of our website for a list of program-based or prestigious scholarships.

“If I had one word of advice for anyone, it would be to travel. Exposure to new cultures and the visual world is particularly relevant for those interested in the creative design process...explore the design of the ‘narrative environment’ from museum exhibitions to cultural, commercial and entertainment experiences.”
— Tim McNeil, UC Davis Design Instructor
Sample Programs for Visual and Performing Arts Students
*The following programs are suggestions. Many more programs are available; come talk to an advisor at Study Abroad!

**SUMMER PROGRAMS**

**UC Davis Summer Abroad** courses are 4 weeks and taught by UC Davis faculty. Students receive 8 units for two courses from the general catalogue. 8 programs in Visual and Performing Arts. **Examples include:**

- **World Cinema and the European Film Festival** – CTS 125: Topics in Film Genres & CTS 198: Directed Group Study
  Attend an entire A-level film festival in the Italian-Swiss Lake region, with preparatory film studies in Cannes, France.

- **Filmmaking in Ireland** – TCS 104 & 198 Documentary Production & Group Study
  Learn about film production and make your own film on this “Grand Tour” of the Emerald Isle.

- **Spanish Art** – SPA 143: Spanish Art & SPA 198: Directed Group Study
  Study Romanesque art in a Monastery, Renaissance painting in a 16th Century Palace, and more.

- **Buenos Aires-Music, Film and Culture in the Global City** – SPA175 & 198: Topics in Spanish American Culture Studies
  Experience the vibrant “Paris of Latin America” through the abundance of its music and film festivals, street fairs and more.

**QUARTER & YEAR PROGRAMS**

**UC Davis Quarter Abroad** courses are 10 weeks long and take place in fall or spring quarter. Students receive 15-24 units for four to six courses from the general catalogue. **Examples include:**

- **Internships in Sydney (Fall) or London (Spring)** – UWP or English courses with a 6-unit internship in almost any field.
  Immerse into these iconic cities for 10+ weeks while completing an internship in design, visual art, theater, or more, with unforgettable excursions all along the way.

**UC Education Abroad Program (UCEAP)** courses are one semester or one full year at world-renowned universities. In most cases, students on spring programs are absent from Davis for both winter and spring quarters. All courses are UC units, but students must take course descriptions to their major advisor to ensure any major credit. **Examples Include:**

- **UCEAP UK, University of London, Royal Holloway**
  Immerse and learn drama from the best at this world-renowned drama school.

- **UCEAP Singapore, National University of Singapore**
  The School of Design and Environment offers excellent selections in sustainable architecture design.

- **UCEAP New Zealand, Massey University**
  Spend a semester studying design, photography, visual communication or fashion with local “Kiwis.”

- **UCEAP UK, University of Edinburgh, School of Design**
  Edinburgh’s School of Design offers tons of design electives in the fairy-tale capital of Scotland.

**MORE OPTIONS EXIST!**

- Check out the Major Advising Pages and see recommended programs for your major at studyabroad.ucdavis.edu
- Try out the “Study Abroad Builder” advanced program search for hundreds more UCEAP programs at eap.ucop.edu
- Consider GE's or other subject areas. Seminars Abroad are great for Arts and Theater—only two weeks over winter break!
- Check out goabroad.com, studyabroad.com and iiepassport for non-UC options and come talk to us!