



🔍 START YOUR SEARCH

- **Use Your Resources:** Learn more about all the global learning opportunities via the [Center for Global Education \(CGE\) website](#) and the [CSBSJU-Global Portal](#), connect with faculty, academic advisors, [CGE staff](#), [Study Abroad Ambassadors](#), and attend the Study Abroad Fair.
- **Make Your Academic Plan:** Talk with your advisor about how to fit an international experience (or multiple experiences!) into your 4-year plan.
 - Which program might work best for my major/minor?
 - What Integrations Curriculum requirements can I fulfill abroad?
 - Do I have another interest or a complementary subject area that I want to focus on while abroad?

📌 NEXT STEPS

1. Create your [CSBSJU-Global Portal Profile](#) to identify the programs that most fit your needs and goals.
2. Develop your academic, personal, & professional **GOALS** for study abroad to **determine your WHY?**
3. Talk with a faculty/academic advisor to help build an **academic plan** with study abroad.
4. Attend a [Study Abroad 101 or 201 information session](#) to learn from student peers about options and applications process or schedule a make-up in the [HIVE](#).
5. Go to the **Study Abroad Fair** to learn more about different global learning options.
6. Schedule a **meeting in the HIVE** with a CGE program manager to discuss your goals & help narrow down your search.
7. Connect with [XPD – Experience & Professional Development](#) for more self-exploration tools & strategies.
8. Think through **potential challenges** like eligibility requirements, family, extracurricular activities, other commitments, & money.
9. Maintain the **minimum GPA** required for study abroad and keep a clean **disciplinary record** since they are considered during the selection process.

💰 FINANCING STUDY ABROAD

- Program costs vary by type, location, and length of program.
- 100% of your CSB+SJU, state, and federal scholarships, grants, and loans apply to study abroad (except student employment).
- Scholarships available with [CSB and SJU and outside sources](#).
- Contact the Financial Aid office to discuss options for you.

🌐 GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

SEMESTER PROGRAMS

FALL: Austria*, Chile*, France, Greece*, Italy*, Japan*, UK-London* (*faculty-led programs w/10 student minimum)

SPRING: Australia, Ireland-Cork, South Africa*, Spain*, UK-London* (*faculty-led programs w/10 student minimum)

SHORT-TERM PROGRAMS

EMBEDDED COURSES: Take a 2 to 4-credit course during the semester that includes an international component during the term or after it ends.

- **Fall 2023:** E-Scholars-Vietnam, UN Climate Change Conference-United Arab Emirates, Community-Based Nursing Care-Zambia, Community-Based Nursing Care-St. Lucia
- **Spring 2024:** Topics in Biochemistry: Fermentation-Belgium & Netherlands, Inequality, Race, and Gender-Brazil, Community-Based Nursing Care-Costa Rica, Christianity & Colonialism-Ireland, Social Movements, Spanish Language, Solidarity-Mexico, Ecology and Evolution of the African Serengeti Ecosystem-Tanzania, Children’s Literature-United Kingdom

VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY ENGAGED LEARNING:

These short-term international programs allow you to experience a different country through service, typically sponsored by student clubs or organizations.

EXTERNAL STUDY ABROAD

If you wish to participate on a program not otherwise provided by CSB and SJU, you may apply independently through an external program. To get started, meet with CGE to discuss your program ideas.

10 GREAT REASONS TO STUDY ABROAD

- ✈️ 1. Expand your worldview
- ✈️ 2. Enhance your career opportunities and grow your network
- ✈️ 3. Learn another language and improve your multilingual skills
- ✈️ 4. Experience another culture firsthand
- ✈️ 5. Make new friends from around the world
- ✈️ 6. Discover new things about your own culture
- ✈️ 7. Learn more about yourself and gain self-awareness
- ✈️ 8. Strengthen your communication, team building, & adaptability skills
- ✈️ 9. Boost your confidence & independence
- ✈️ 10. Become a savvy traveler

✓ CHOOSING A PROGRAM

ACADEMIC:



- What type of credits would I like to earn abroad? (Major/Minor, Integrations Curriculum, General Electives, Upper Division)
- Do I want to complete an internship or community engaged learning abroad?
- Would I prefer to take classes with only Bennies and Johnnies, with other international students, or a mix?
- Do I want to study abroad in a university or study center setting?
- Am I able to adapt to different learning styles? (i.e. independent, guided learning, lecture-based)
- What co-curricular activities are included as part of the study abroad program?

CAREER PATH:



- How do I want my experience abroad to impact my career and professional development?
- What skills do I want to develop while abroad that are important in my intended field?
- Can I complete an internship abroad in English, or do I have the language skills to do an immersed internship?
- What activities abroad will help my graduate school applications or make my résumé stand out?

LENGTH & TIMING:



- What year and semester does study abroad fit best in my 4-year plan?
- Does a short-term program work better for my schedule?
- Can a southern hemisphere semester work better for me? (the dates are different!)

GEOGRAPHIC INTERESTS:



- Am I interested in a particular region of the world or a specific country?
- Is there something happening in the world today that I want to learn about first-hand?
- Am I looking for a program in a big city or a smaller city?
- How would program excursions in this location enhance my learning?
- How far am I willing to step outside of my comfort zone?

LANGUAGE:



- Are there language prerequisites for the program I am looking at? (2 semester programs have a language pre-req.)
- Do I want to be in a country where the primary language spoken is English, or would I like to surround myself with a second (or third) language?
- Can I take some or all of my classes in a second language?
- Can I challenge myself to take one class in a second language and the rest in English?

PERSONAL/OTHER:



- Do I want to explore family roots?
- Are there historical or current factors in place around the world that may impact my experience there?
- Do I want to study abroad more than once?
- How immersed in the culture do I want to be?

HOUSING & FOOD ARRANGEMENTS:



- What type of housing is available? (i.e. homestay, apartment, residence halls)
- Will I live with other Bennies and Johnnies?
- Will I live with other U.S. students (non-CSB+SJU) and other international students?
- Will I be able to cook my own meals, or will meals be provided?
- What other program facilities are available (i.e. library, fitness center)

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:



- What are the expenses included and not included in the program fee? (i.e. food, airfare, visas, personal spending)
- How does funding differ from semester to short-term options?
- What is the general cost of living on-site & how much do I need to budget for this program?
- What are the scholarships & financial aid options for this program?
- How can I save some money now?