

What our students say

STEVEN GREGORY

Music Education — Viterbo, Italy

“ This experience is everything that I hoped it would be and more. Besides the amazing architecture and famous landmarks, studying abroad has given me the ability to be more sociable and less introverted.”

SARAH DEAN

International Affairs — Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria

“ I wanted to go completely out of my comfort zone and immerse myself in an unfamiliar culture. Living in Eastern Europe has been equal parts difficult, educational and awe-inspiring. I'll always be grateful for this experience and encourage anyone interested in studying abroad to be brave and venture off the beaten path.”

ERIC LEVASSEUR

Biology — East Anglia, England

“ I've had the chance to experience my major from a different course environment, meet some amazing friends and get involved with organizations on campus.”

JON GATTI

Wildlife Ecology — Aberdeen, Scotland

“ I've spent almost my entire life in Maine. Studying abroad was the perfect opportunity to travel and immerse myself in a whole different culture and environment.”



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STUDY ABROAD

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Studying abroad

WHY STUDY ABROAD?

Studying abroad can be the most rewarding, exciting and challenging experience in your college career. Gaining international academic or career experience is essential in our globalized world.

WHO CAN STUDY ABROAD?

Programs are available for all majors. With proper planning, students take courses related to their degree and remain on track academically. Most locations offer courses in English. Programs for foreign language acquisition are available as well.

WHEN CAN I STUDY ABROAD?

Students can study abroad for one or two semesters, or during the summer.

WHERE TO START?

Check out the website (umaine.edu/international/study-abroad), then stop by the Office of International Programs (OIP) to chat with a Peer Advisor about your ideas.

ELIGIBILITY

- Sophomore standing at departure
- 2.5 minimum cumulative GPA
- Good disciplinary status
- Language proficiency (if required)



Broaden your horizons

COST

The cost of studying abroad consists of tuition, fees, housing, meals, air and ground transportation, passport and visa fees, vacation period travel and personal costs. Many programs are similar in cost to attending UMaine for a semester or a year. Some programs are more expensive than a semester at UMaine.

FINANCING YOUR TIME ABROAD

Most federal, state and institutional aid can be applied to approved study abroad programs. Additional scholarships are available. Review the list of available scholarships on our website.

TRANSFER CREDITS

All study abroad programs approved by UMaine are fully accredited. All credits transfer back but are not computed in the UMaine GPA.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

All study abroad programs offered by UMaine have excellent health and safety procedures. The OIP staff continuously monitors health and safety issues in all countries where UMaine sends students.

APPLICATION

First, create an account in AbroadOffice (umaine.abroadoffice.net) to submit a UMaine application. Once you're approved, you can apply to your chosen program or university.

DEADLINES

Apply to OIP by Feb. 20 for summer, fall or academic year programs abroad and Oct. 15 for spring programs abroad.



Experience the world

DIRECT EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

UMaine has exchange agreements with universities in Australia, Bulgaria, Canada, England, Germany, Japan, Scotland, Spain and Wales. Students pay their tuition and fees at UMaine, and pay their room and board at the host institution. This is a good option for the independent student. UMaine students are fully integrated with local students.

RECOMMENDED PROGRAMS

UMaine has a list of approved study abroad recommended programs which add more locations and courses beyond the direct exchange opportunities. All program costs are paid directly to the program. Financial aid applies as well.

GEORGE J. MITCHELL PEACE SCHOLARSHIP

This is a full scholarship for one semester open to UMaine undergraduate students with 3.0 GPA to study at University College Cork, Ireland. Preference is given to a resident of Maine.

INTERNSHIPS ABROAD

Students can complete an academic internship as part of their study abroad program or as a stand-alone summer or semester program in many locations.

