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"The semester has really flown by but I had an incredible time, I went in optimistic but my experience surpassed my expectations."

Alex Green, Business Major, Semester Abroad, CUHK, China

Study Abroad in Accounting and Business

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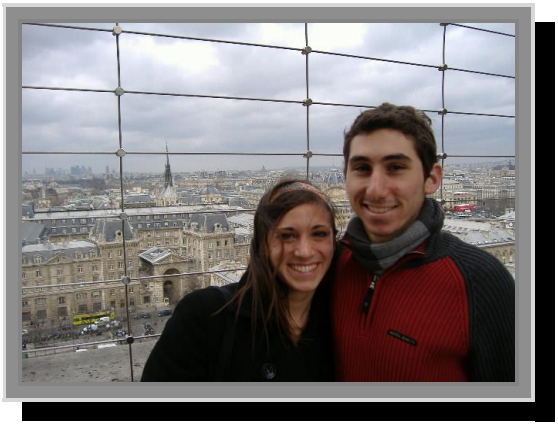
"The international experience for Bellarmine University business students differentiates it from other programs and contributes to the global perspective needed in today's business environment. Business students at Bellarmine recognize and value diversity as part of the development of leadership for future success."
Dr. John T. Byrd, III, Chair, Bellarmine Business Department

Study Abroad as an Accounting or Business Major and . . .

- Learn firsthand about global markets and international trade
- Experience world events through another culture
- Gain international perspectives in the field of business
- Acquire important intercultural skills for the increasingly diverse and international workplace
- Build your résumé by demonstrating your independence, flexibility, and willingness to take on new challenges



" I've come back to Bellarmine with a better understanding of myself and what I want in life."
Andy Coverstone, Business Major, Semester Abroad, Université de Grenoble, France

Plan ahead . . .

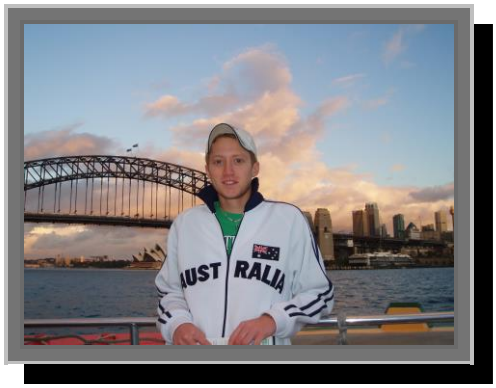
As an accounting or business student, you can study abroad as a sophomore, junior or senior. There are opportunities for elective credits in the major which gives you flexibility to study abroad and make progress towards your degree. Discuss study abroad options with your Academic Advisor and Faculty Liaison.

- Begin planning at least a year in advance of your study abroad program. Plan to meet with the Study Abroad Advisor and talk with faculty and students who have taught or studied abroad. It is never too early to start planning!
- Set some goals. There are many partners and programs abroad that offer business courses. The best one for you depends on what you plan to gain from your experience.
- Prioritize your goals. See the IPO handout on this subject and consider your long-term academic and professional goals, as well as your on-campus degree requirements.
- With proper planning, study abroad can help you prepare for the next step after college whether it is graduate school or starting a career.
- **Start saving now**! Consider saving for your time abroad when setting your spending priorities today.

Can I afford it?

YES! Now is the most cost-effective time in your life to spend an extended period of time abroad. Most undergraduate students do not have to balance a job, mortgage, family and car payments when saving for study abroad.

- Studying abroad for a semester on exchange will cost about the same as attending Bellarmine and living on campus.
- For exchange programs, financial aid and scholarships can be applied toward your semester or academic year abroad.
- There are many short-term programs with a wide range of prices to accommodate various student budgets.
- Bellarmine also offers scholarships for study abroad! For more information visit: http://www.bellarmine.edu/international/scholarships.asp



"I was given the opportunity to learn something of many cultures of the world …. If I could do it over, I would have spent an entire semester in Australia."

John Escosa, Accounting Major, CCSA Summer Program, Australia

Next steps?

Study Abroad Information Meetings and Highlight Sessions
Not sure how to start? There are general information meetings held weekly in the fall. See the BU student calendar or contact the IPO for dates.

The Study Abroad Fair
This annual fall event held in September is a great place to talk to program providers and students who have studied around the world on Bellarmine's programs. It is a wonderful time to ask returned students about their experiences abroad.

Browse Our Website
Find information on all Bellarmine study abroad programs, as well as application procedures and tips on preparing for your time abroad. http://www.bellarmine.edu/international/

What happens next?
Visit the International Programs Office in Miles Hall Suite 149 to learn more about the program and application deadlines. Talk with your Academic Advisor and the Faculty Liaison for study abroad information regarding your major. Learn what courses you will be able to take abroad, and plan ahead. Research the country and site where you wish to study. Find out as much as you can about your host site.

When should I go?

Summer programs are available to all students starting the summer after freshman year. Depending on a student's major and minor, certain times may be better than others for long-term study abroad. See below for tips on deciding when you should go.

Freshman

The best time to start planning for study abroad is your freshman year. If you hope to have two international experiences, it is a great idea to do a summer program after freshman year and then plan for a semester or year abroad junior year.

Sophomores

There are limited semester sites available for sophomores. However, mature applicants typically do not have trouble finding an appropriate site for study. The application to study abroad sophomore year is due in the fall of freshman year. Please work closely with the Study Abroad Advisor and your Academic Advisor to see what plan is best for you.

Juniors

Most Bellarmine students study abroad during their junior year. At this point, you may be more focused on upper division business courses and electives. See the descriptions on the next page for program suggestions.

Seniors

You can still study abroad during the fall semester of your senior year, although you will need to select your location carefully to ensure that you can take specific classes you need for graduation. You will also want to choose a site that matches Bellarmine's calendar so that you will be back in time to start the spring semester at BU.

How do I select a program?

Bellarmine has more than 150 international program sites. When selecting a program that will work best for you, consider your geographic interests and academic goals. Use this sheet, talk with your advisor, talk to past participants of study abroad programs, and work with the IPO to identify the best program for you. **These highlighted programs offer excellent options for you to earn credit in your major; however, depending on your flexibility, you may also want to explore other Bellarmine partners and programs.** As the Business School and the IPO work together, specific recommended programs may change. Check with the Study Abroad Advisor for the latest information.

Can I fulfill graduation requirements?

General Education: General education credits can be fulfilled on almost all study abroad programs. **Some excellent courses to take abroad include:** Fine Art requirement, English Literature requirement, Social Science requirement and the IDC 301 requirement. Occasionally approval is granted for the Theology elective requirement.

Major requirements: Business is offered in English at many of our partner universities. Some institutions have a broader selection than others and they are listed on this page. With advance planning, you will be able to earn credits for your business major. Plan on taking some elective credits in your major that are not offered on campus so that you can **enhance** courses you have taken at BU.

Minor requirements: Depending on your minor, you may also be able to take courses to fulfill those requirements abroad. Please consult with the Department Chair.

Study Business for a semester or an academic year at partner universities abroad

The list on this page contains links to view course catalogs and/or titles of business courses offered at BU bilateral partner universities abroad. Most links provide access to a course description. You should review this list with your advisor and faculty liaison to see which institution will provide you with the courses you need. If necessary, you will also want to discuss substitutions or waivers with the department chair.

Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK): Hong Kong, China
View from a dorm room

University of Kufstein Tirol: Kufstein. Austria

Bilateral Exchange Partners with Excellent Business Options:*

Al Akhawayn: Ifrane, Morocco
http://www.aui.ma./VPAA/SBA/index.htm
Business courses are in English. Some knowledge of French is highly recommended.

EM Strasbourg: Strasbourg, France
http://www.em-strasbourg.eu/
Some knowledge of French is recommended, however most business courses are offered in English.

University of Kufstein Tirol: Kufstein, Austria
http://www.hsk-edu.at/ger/International
Business courses are in English. Students may take German language classes.

Kansai Gaidai University: Kyoto, Japan
http://www.kansaigaidai.ac.jp/asp/03_academics/06.html
The Asian Studies Program combines **courses taught in English** with Japanese language courses at an appropriate level. Some knowledge of Japanese is recommended.

Chinese University of Hong Kong: Hong Kong, China
AACSB Accredited
http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/oal/

Lingnan University: Hong Kong, China
AACSB Accredited
http://www.ln.edu.hk/

Ewha Womens University: Seoul, South Korea
AACSB accredited
http://www.ewha.ac.kr/english/html/002/002.html
Open to both female and male international students

University of Strathclyde Business School: Glasgow, Scotland
AACSB accredited
http://www.strath.ac.uk/business/

University of Western Australia: Perth, Australia
AACSB Accredited
http://www.uwa.edu.au/

* For the most updated partnership options please check with the International Programs Office.

ISEP Exchange

Bellarmine is also a member of The International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) which provides access to many additional study sites around the globe. It is easy to do a search by subject on the ISEP website www.isep.org. For most sites, you can access course catalogs for these institutions online or in the IPO resource room. Students who have many electives will have greater flexibility in their choice of schools. Students who have a second major may also chose to focus on that subject area while abroad.

ISEP Exchange Partners with Excellent Accounting & Business Options:

The following ISEP institutions are a few of the many ISEP choices that BU students can explore.

American University of Sharjah
Sharjah, United Arab Emirates – AACSB accredited
http://www.isep.org/students/Directory/member_site.asp?CSID=256&ID=366

Brock University
Ontario, Canada – AACSB accredited
http://www.brocku.ca/webcal/index.php

ITESM
Monterrey, Mexico – AACSB accredited
http://www.mty.itesm.mx/rectoria/pi/internationalstudents/academic.html
This is an excellent ISEP institution where students have course options in both English and Spanish.

Korea University
Seoul, Korea – AACSB accredited
http://www.korea.edu/m02/m02_06.php

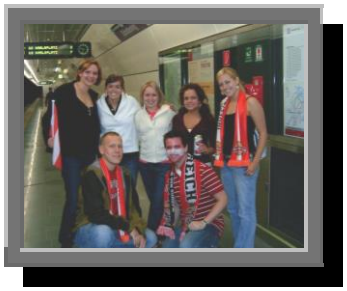
Universität Zürich
Zurich, Switzerland – AACSB accredited
http://www.isep.org/students/Directory/member_site.asp?CSID=221&ID=346
4-5 semesters of German language required

Universiteit van Tilburg
Tilburg, the Netherlands – AACSB accredited
http://www.tilburguniversity.nl/faculties/feb/organisation/dept/
This is an ISEP Focused Exchange option providing an excellent chance of placement for students with a 3.0 GPA.

Yonsei University
Seoul, Korea – AACSB accredited
http://www.yonsei.kr/eng/

International Internships and Service

In addition to summer/winter options listed on this page, there are many international internship and service opportunities available. Please consult the IPO for more information on these programs.



"This experience was an exceptional opportunity to gain knowledge of another country and culture, matchless work experience in a global marketplace, and more fun than I could've imagined."

Kelly Krucki, Accounting Major
KIIS Internship Program, Austria

Top summer and winter destinations specifically for Accounting & Business majors:

Bellarmine in Europe Business Program
This is a BU Faculty led program. Students may take 1-2 business courses during this program.

CCSA
www.ccsa.cc
CCSA offers summer and winter programs in English speaking countries. Students may chose from courses in a variety disciplines including business.

Chinese University of Hong Kong Summer Program
http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/osp/a/a1/a4.html

CIEE
www.ciee.org
CIEE has summer programs in English around the globe. The academic focus will vary by program.

Ewha Womens University
http://www.ewha.ac.kr/english/html/002/002001004003.html

KIIS
www.kiis.org
KIIS offers summer programs in non-English speaking countries. Most are conducted in English. The academic focus will vary by country.

Lingnan University
http://www.ln.edu.hk/summer/

BU Business students in Florence, Italy on the Bellarmine in Europe Program