

Students receiving Federal financial aid can use it for up to four semesters abroad. For more information regarding financial aid contact UH Hilo Financial Aid Counselor, Ms. Kolby Santiago, at uhhfao@hawaii.edu.



AUDREY S. FURUKAWA STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIP

SEMESTER AT SEA SCHOLARSHIP

BENJAMIN GILMAN SCHOLARSHIP

➔ BOREN SCHOLARSHIP

ROTARY AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

U.S. STUDENT FULBRIGHT

➤ GERTRUDE E. MCVICKAR SCHOLARSHIP

Full-time and classified undergraduate students who graduated from Hawai'i island, Moloka'i, Lana'i or Ni'ihau. Applicant must have a declared major with a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above. Scholarship recipient must return to UH Hilo upon completion of the study abroad program.

Direct exchange programs allow UH Hilo students to pay UH Hilo's tuition. With affiliated study abroad programs students pay tuition to the host university or program.

No, as long as you have an approved study abroad course approval form and pass your classes abroad with an equivalent to U.S. "C" or better.

Yes, as long as you complete an equivalent to a minimum of 12 U.S. credits while abroad (does not include work study).

Because you will be on your own while abroad, it is in your best interest to complete all applications on your own and take responsibility for preparing to study abroad.

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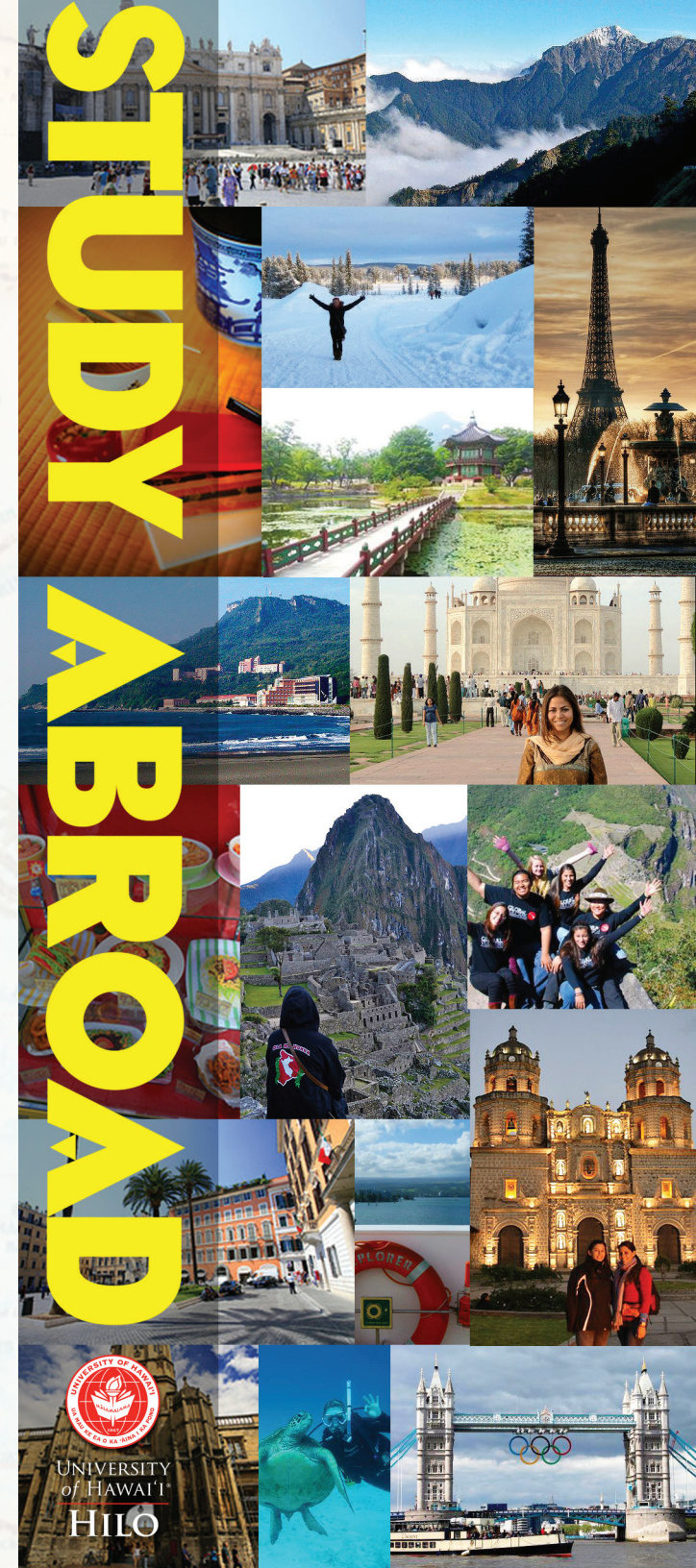
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ALOHA!



Welcome to the Center for Global Education and Exchange (CGEE) at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo (UH Hilo).

This brochure will help you learn about the CGEE and all of the exciting study abroad opportunities waiting for you! By going abroad, you will experience different cultures, see interesting places, meet new people, gain new perspectives, and broaden your academic education!

GETTING STARTED

Studying abroad in a foreign country can be both an enlightening and a challenging experience. In order to ease your concerns, talk with the CGEE about any worries you have about studying abroad. The CGEE will assign you a personal study abroad advisor who will help you find the best possible program. Are you ready to take the first step toward one of the best experiences of your life?

STUDY ABROAD BENEFITS

Studying abroad provides many advantages students can gain, such as:

- Broadening world views and ways of thinking by experiencing different cultures firsthand.
- Future career opportunities gained through life experiences and personal connections abroad.
- Complementing and accelerating fluency in speaking, reading, and writing foreign languages.
- An alternative academic experience by taking courses in another country.
- Opportunities for leadership development through interactions with different cultures.
- Personal growth and development by gaining self confidence and life experience.

STUDY ABROAD OPTIONS

UH Hilo offers many study abroad options outlined below.

➤ DIRECT INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE PARTNERS

(Students pay UH Hilo tuition costs)

- **South America:** Brazil, Peru
- **Asia:** China, Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Philippines
- **South Pacific:** Australia, New Zealand
- **Europe:** Belgium, Czech Republic, England, Spain, Norway, Scotland, Sweden, France

➤ AFFILIATED PROGRAMS

(Pay tuition directly to host school and program)

- **Semester at Sea:** Spend the semester on a ship traveling around the world while taking classes onboard.
- **Globalinks:** Provides more options for schools in Australia, New Zealand, and many other countries.
- **ISEP:** Worldwide program that sends students to any participating university.

➤ VARIETY OF SUMMER PROGRAMS

SERVICES PROVIDED

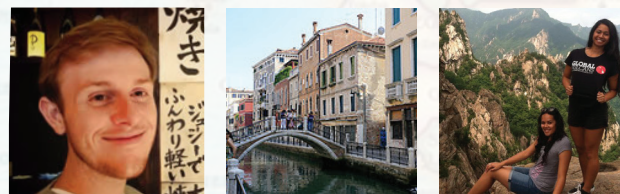
➤ **ADVISING** This is required of all students to be approved for study abroad. Advising is provided by faculty, staff, and peers who have not only been abroad but who have also excelled in international education and exchange.

➤ **COURSE APPROVAL SELECTION** The Study Abroad Course Approval (SACA) Form is completed before departure to ensure credits transfer without difficulty upon return.

➤ **PRE-DEPARTURE ORIENTATION** This required class includes information and skills to prepare students for a successful study abroad experience. It provides realistic expectations for their time abroad.

➤ **ONLINE STUDY ABROAD CLASS** This class is a continuation of the Pre-Departure Orientation course, taken while abroad to help students enhance their experience and stay connected with other UH Hilo students abroad.

➤ **SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW** Study abroad advisors can work with students to prepare the best possible scholarship application by giving insight as to what different organizations are looking for in an application.



HEALTH AND SAFETY

UH Hilo's CGEE would like to ensure that you will stay safe and healthy while abroad. Complete safety, however, cannot be guaranteed. To minimize risk, UH Hilo does not offer or recommend going abroad to countries listed on the U.S. Department of State travel warning list. Connecting with peers who have previously studied abroad allows you to address any concerns regarding studying abroad.

Although you may have U.S. health insurance coverage, it may not always be accepted internationally or cover travel incidentals. An International Student Identification Card is required for travel insurance. The ISIC insurance card is reasonably priced and issued at the CGEE. For further and more detailed information regarding insurance coverage visit: www.myISIC.com.

In the weeks before departure, family and students are urged to visit the following websites to obtain additional health and safety information: www.cdc.gov/travel and www.state.gov. It is up to the student to enroll himself at step.state.gov to receive travel-warning messages while abroad.

STAYING IN TOUCH

When you are abroad, the most effective way to put your mind at ease is deciding on a reliable form of communication.

➤ **SKYPE / INSTANT MESSAGING** This allows chatting and/or video calls, it is free to download, and typically free to use. However, web cameras will be needed for video calls.

➤ **PHONE CARDS OR INTERNATIONAL CELL PHONES** These can be more expensive, but allow for communication in places lacking internet connection.

➤ **SET A DATE** Choose a day and time during the week where you and your family can talk without being rushed.

➤ **HAVING FAMILY VISIT WHILE ABROAD** This is not highly recommended during the beginning of your journey, but once you have adapted to your new environment, family visiting is welcomed.

