

INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

Global awareness and intercultural competencies are important aspects of a modern liberal arts education. Overseas experiences enhance students' capacity for global understanding through an examination of the ways history, culture, politics, economics, commerce, science, and the arts shape our shared world, our worldviews, and the views of others. Washington College encourages students to enrich their education by spending one or two semesters in a foreign country studying at one or more of our many partner institutions abroad and/or joining a short-term abroad program sponsored by faculty, staff, and other partner organizations over winter or summer breaks. The Global Education Office (GEO) coordinates academic semesters abroad, full-year study abroad, visiting exchange programs, and short-term faculty-led programs. Any student considering studying abroad should talk with their academic advisor, attend an information session on study abroad, and meet with the Assistant Director for Study Abroad in the Global Education Office. Reviewing the GEO web page information is a great first step in exploring the College's study abroad options: washcoll.edu/people_departments/offices/global-education-office/index.php (http://washcoll.edu/people_departments/offices/global-education-office/).

College-Authorized International Student Travel

Washington College seeks to promote safe, healthy, and secure international travel for its students. The College requires students who are engaged in international travel (i.e., study abroad, faculty-led program, an academic trip with a faculty or staff member) that is sponsored, recognized, or organized by the College to adhere to the *Student International Travel Policy* and ensure that they complete the *Education Abroad Program Agreement: Assumption of Risk Waiver of Liability and Indemnification* form and its accompanying *COVID-19 Addendum*. The policy and form access details are online under the "College Sponsored International Travel" section at <https://washcoll-sa.terradata.com>. Additionally, the College encourages all students traveling abroad for educational or other purposes to thoroughly review and familiarize themselves with the political, health, crime, and other safety-related conditions prevailing in the country (or countries) they intend to visit.

Billing and Payment Terms

See Fees and Expenses, Off-Campus Study Fees.

Short-Term Summer and Winter Abroad Programs

Washington College faculty and staff organize and lead several short-term programs during the summer and winter months, typically for two to three weeks. Short-term programs are open to all students in good academic and social standing at the College. Students should contact the program leaders regarding their summer and winter-sponsored programs. Recent trips include short-term programs in Bermuda, Cuba, England, and Ireland. The departments sponsoring the short-term programs have additional information on these short-term global engagement opportunities.