



Dear Students,

I am writing to update you on the 2025-2026 study abroad application review. The Office of Global Education (OGE) has spent the last month reviewing and placing students into study abroad programs. We appreciate your patience, and we expect to release decisions in the next few days. We are just confirming a few final details to ensure a smooth process.

First and foremost, thank you for the care and consideration you demonstrated in selecting study abroad programs. Students selected fall and spring semester options more evenly than in years past. You took the Office of Global Education's message to heart, and on behalf of the entire OGE, I sincerely thank you for your effort.

Before decisions are released, I wanted to share some statistics and information with all students who applied to study abroad:

- 1,176 students applied to study abroad for the 2025-26 academic year, an increase of 143 students from last year. This is the largest number of study abroad applicants ever!
- Across all six choices, students selected between the fall and spring semesters fairly evenly, with spring slightly more favored.
- The balanced selection has allowed OGE to approve 95% of applicants for one of their six choices.

A small percentage of students, less than 5%, will be assigned to a semester they did not list on their application or, in rarer cases, were approved to study abroad but not assigned to one of their six programs. For the students not assigned a program, a study abroad advisor will contact you directly with up to three options. The options are based on the availability of the program and your major, as well as attempting to place you close to a program you selected. I remind students that the OGE has stated that we cannot guarantee a particular program or term, but a program will be offered if a student is deemed eligible to study abroad.

As decisions are released, please consider the following:

- If you received one of your top 6 choices yet have questions or concerns, please contact your Study Abroad Advisor in the OGE or, if it is a specific application question, the OGE Applications Team. Your Study Abroad Advisor's name and the application team's contact information will be in your notification email.
- We will not accept walk-in appointments; appointment slots will be available to book online. Appointment slots will open on Monday afternoon. If you have immediate concerns, please email your Study Abroad Advisor directly.
- Please note that e-mail is our preferred communication method.
- Due to privacy regulations and [FERPA](#) policies, the OGE cannot share information directly with your families. This is for your privacy. Please inform your parents or guardians that the OGE will not respond to parent inquiries about the study abroad approval process. We will only be working directly with students. This is your experience, and we expect students to take ownership of the process.
- There will be a waitlist for spring 2026 programs only. It will be available in approximately two weeks. We are working to finalize the programs that will be on the waitlist. More information regarding the waitlist will be available when decisions are announced.
- Be sure to inform yourself of your program's cost, plan ahead to apply for funding, and consult with the OGE Scholarships & Montserrat Advisor and your assigned Financial Aid Advisor in Student Services if you have any questions.
- The abroad journey continues post-OGE approval. Please continue to monitor your email for updates and instructions.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact OGE directly.

Regards,

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