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COLLEGE LIFE: STUDYING ABROAD

BC APPROVED PROGRAMS

- A semester or year abroad with a BC program is integrated into the BC curriculum and course of study.
- Students continue to pay BC tuition.
- Students remain eligible for all financial aid they would generally receive at BC.



APPROVED EXTERNAL PROGRAMS

- Pay External Tuition
- * \$1,000 BC administrative fee
- Forfeit BC financial aid
 - + federal and state aid remain



FACTORS THAT AFFECT YOUR TOTAL PROGRAM COSTS:

- * Home university tuition policies
- Costs of external program
- Currency Exchange Rate
- * Location
- * Hidden Expenses



BUDGET CHECKLIST

- Travel to study abroad country
- Passport
- Visa Fees, Entry and Exit Taxes
- Insurance
- Immunizations
- Housing Deposits
- Meals
- Student ID/Registration Fees
- Personal Travel

- Room and Board for Vacation Periods
- × Cell Phone
- Computer
- Entertainment
- Other Personal Expenses
- Emergency Funds
- Miscellaneous Fees



WAYS TO FINANCE YOUR TRIP

- Scholarships/Grants
- International Scholarship Opportunities
- x Loans:
 - + Financial Aid Associate
 - Third Party Loans
 - + Federal Loans

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

MAKING ARRANGEMENTS

- Some suggestions:
 - + Studentuniverse.com
 - + Kayak.com
- Utilize a flight price predictor, like the one at www.bing.com/travel
- Proof of travel arrangements may be required for your visa application, so book your flights accordingly!

THINGS TO BUDGET FOR:

- Housing deposit fees
- × Flight
- Passport fee
- Visa fee (vary by country)
- Visa Information by Country

INSURANCE

- * HTH Worldwide Insurance
- Coverage dates are set by BC but can be extended for an additional fee
- Waiving HTH
- HTH as supplement to primary insurance coverage



POWER OF ATTORNEY AND TAXES!!



- April 15: Spring Abroad
- Form 4868,Application forAutomatic Extension
- For more information, visit the IRS Web site

- × POA: Financial Aid
- Banking Issues



HOUSING ABROAD

- Options:
 - + Homestay
 - + Dorm
 - + Apartment



- ExternalProgramDetails
 - + Housing Chart

CURRENT AND RETURN HOUSING

On Campus Housing:

+ ResLife Intent Form

Off Campus Housing:

- Paying for your current housing
- + Vacating your current housing
- + Subleasing your space



BANKS, CREDIT CARDS, CASH & CHECKS



- Banking
 - + Abroad status
 - +International partnerships
- Currency Exchange
 - +Xe.com
- Traveler's checks
- × Handling Cash

CALLING HOME

- Contact Cell Phone Provider
- In-country Phone
- Skype





WHILE ABROAD



- **×**BC activities
- ***Student Discounts**
- × Museums (FREE!)

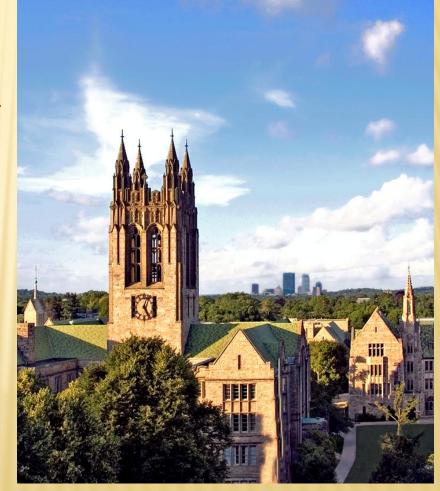


HELPFUL WEBSITES

- International Scholarships:
 - + http://www.bc.edu/content/bc/offices/international/S cholarship_Opportunities.html
- Visa Information by Country:
 - + http://www.travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_4
 965.html
- Housing Chart:
 - + http://www.bc.edu/content/dam/files/offices/international/pdf/2011-2012%20estimated%20student%20budget%20w%20housing%20June%202011.pdf

QUESTIONS?

You can visit www.bc.edu/offices/inte rnational for more information on BC's programs and to contact a BC study abroad advisor



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