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
- 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
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
POWERS OF ATTORNEY AND TAXES!!

- POA: Financial Aid
- Banking Issues

- April 15: Spring Abroad
- Form 4868, Application for Automatic Extension

For more information, visit the IRS Web site
Housing Abroad

- Options:
  - Homestay
  - Dorm
  - Apartment

- External Program Details
  - 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/Scholarship_Opportunities.html](http://www.bc.edu/content/bc/offices/international/Scholarship_Opportunities.html)

- Visa Information by Country:

- Housing Chart:
  - [http://www.bc.edu/content/dam/files/offices/international/pdf/2011-2012%20estimated%20student%20budget%20w%20housing%20June%202011.pdf](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/international for more information on BC’s programs and to contact a BC study abroad advisor.

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