THE AMERICAS

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WELCOME TO STUDY ABROAD!

As you explore opportunities to study abroad in the Americas, I invite you to consider the benefits of this life-changing experience. We continue to learn that global challenges need global leaders, and as you challenge yourself to discover new places and people, you will gain the knowledge, skills, confidence, and passion to contribute to your community and your world. New Paltz has a broad portfolio of programs to meet the needs of students in every major. Our advisors can point you to resources that support your plans including scholarships, financial aid, international internships, and service-learning opportunities and will guide you as you consider:

- What you hope to gain from the study abroad experience;
- How a specific program's course offerings fit in with your academic and career plans;
- Timing of programs according to your degree requirements; and
- How the learning, social, physical, and cultural environments will impact you.

You should also consider how the benefits of education abroad will play a key role in your future. Employers hire graduates with international experience who are prepared to join the globally competitive workforce and recognize that skills developed while studying abroad are essential for management and leadership positions. Student safety is a primary concern in Study Abroad, and SUNY New Paltz prioritizes the health and security of its students through:

- One-on-one student advising;
- Pre-departure orientation;
- Direct communication through Alert Traveler and other real time applications as students prepare to leave and while they are abroad;
- Collaboration with accredited international partner institutions and providers assures the safety of students; and
- Comprehensive emergency and mental and physical health insurance.

The Study Abroad Advisors update emergency protocols through ongoing risk assessment, consultation with the SUNY Office of Global Affairs, US State Department, CDC and other agencies.

New Paltz is committed to providing a high-quality, affordable, global education experience to all students. Whether that is in the Americas or another part of the world, opportunities await you.

What are you waiting for?

Best regards,
Beth Mugler Vargas
Executive Director,
Center for International Programs
Buenos Aires is said to be the most European city in South America. Its residents are descendants of Italian, German, Spanish and other European heritages and the city sits on the banks of the Rio de la Plata, a culturally rich port city.

The Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina (UCA) has the most modern urban campus in Argentina, made up of four impressive buildings, the first of which opened in 1996. There are five computer labs with full Internet access for the students, four university cafeterias, and a beautiful esplanade along the Rio de la Plata. All the buildings are connected by an underground tunnel. The University also has a strong focus on “internationalization” throughout their programs.

YOUR CLASSES

Academic Year and Semester Students:

You can study abroad at Pontificia Universidad Católica Argentina if you are a second-semester freshman, sophomore, junior and senior with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.

- The university offers courses taught entirely in Spanish in the following disciplines:
  - Economics Business Administration
  - Psychology
  - Education
  - Political Science
  - International Relations
  - Journalism
  - Advertisement
  - Law
  - Agriculture
  - Engineering
  - Philosophy
  - History
  - Literature
  - Music
  - Theology

- The Latin American Studies Program (PEL):
  - Courses are taught in English and/or Spanish with the understanding that students enrolled may not speak Spanish as their native language.
  - The program offers coursework focused in:
    - Spanish
    - International Relations
    - History
    - Business
    - Literature

YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Academic Year and Semester Students:

Host Family

Students participating in SUNY New Palz Study Abroad program in Argentina are required to live with a host family arranged by “EnjoyBA”, a local company specialized in providing housing for foreign students at a reasonable price.

- You can get more information on the EnjoyBA website. The company will also provide airport-pickup and a short orientation to the city.

- Most meals are provided by the student’s host family.
DISCOVER YOUR WORLD AT
PONTÍFICA UNIVERSIDADE CATÓLICA DO RIO DE JANEIRO

Rio de Janeiro, known for its beautiful beaches, rainforests, and mountains, provides many cultural, sporting and historical attractions to experience in your free time. Maracanã, site of the Opening and Closing Ceremonies for the 2016 Summer Olympics, Carnival, Christ the Redeemer on Corcovado, are just a few of the places you can visit during your study abroad time in Brazil.

PUC-Rio is internationally recognized as one of the top five universities in Brazil and one of the two best in Rio de Janeiro. PUC-Rio is widely known as a high-level education center in Brazil, with emphasis in Law, Engineering, Psychology, Economics, Business and International Relations.

PUC-RIO is located in Gávea, a charming neighborhood near the forest and beaches of the Zona Sul area of Rio de Janeiro. Classes are held on a campus - beautifully situated within a tropical forest, surrounded by lush trees, a small stream and wildlife including small monkeys and squirrels.

YOUR CLASSES

Academic Year and Semester Students:

You can study abroad at PUC-RIO if you are a second-semester freshman, sophomore, junior and senior with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, and if you have either two years of university level Spanish language study or one year of university level Portuguese language study.

- The university offers a selection of courses taught in English in the following disciplines:
  - Economics
  - Business Administration
  - Communications
  - Engineering
  - History
  - Political Science
  - International Relations
  - Mathematics
  - Philosophy
  - Psychology
  - Sociology

- Extensive coursework is also available to proficient speakers in Portuguese.

Summer Students:

- You can study abroad at PUC-RIO if you are a second-semester freshman, sophomore, junior and senior with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.

- Summer program participants study Portuguese as a second language.

YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Academic Year, Semester and Summer Students: Host Family

- You will live in a family homestay, which guarantees a true Brazilian immersion experience and an opportunity to strengthen your language skills.

- You will have access to the kitchen and laundry facilities. Internet may or may not be available in lodgings but is available on campus.

Summer Students:

- You can study abroad at PUC-RIO if you are a second-semester freshman, sophomore, junior and senior with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.

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DISCOVER YOUR WORLD AT
UNIVERSIDAD DE
ESPECIALIDADES
ESPÍRITU SANTO

Located on the Guayas River, this urban area is Ecuador’s largest city, with a population of approximately 2,500,000 inhabitants. Within an hour’s drive by car from Guayaquil, there are several important ecological areas - mangrove swamp land, desert, tropical dry forest, cloud forest and pristine beaches.

Ecuador is located on the Pacific Ocean while spanning the Equator in the Northwestern part of South America and serves as an ideal site to learn about the realities of Latin America. The country includes a wide variety of geographical features including the Andes mountains, the coastal plains, jungles, and the Galapagos Islands. The Universidad Espíritu Santo is the youngest and fastest growing Ecuadorian university. The mission of the Universidad Espíritu Santo is to prepare Ecuadorian men and women for leadership in business and in the public life for their country. Academic standards are high and admission is selective. UEES enrolls more than 3,000 undergraduate and graduate students in all its divisions.

YOUR CLASSES

Academic Year and Semester Students:

You can study abroad at Universidad de Especialidades Espíritu Santo if you are a second-semester freshman, sophomore, junior and senior with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, and at least two semesters of university level Spanish.

- Classes are taught in Spanish and/or English.
- Participants in this program have the option of participating in a three credit service or internship program.
- Students who demonstrate a high degree of proficiency may enroll in the following colleges:
  - Architecture and Civil Engineering
  - Communications and Marketing
  - Law, Politics and Development
  - Liberal Arts and Education
  - Economics and Business Management
  - Tourism, Hotel Management and Culinary Arts
  - Computer Systems 
    Telecommunications and Electronics
  - Medical Sciences
  - Languages

Summer Students:

- You can study abroad at Universidad de Especialidades Espíritu Santo if you are a second-semester freshman, sophomore, junior and senior with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, and at least two semesters of university level Spanish.
- The program combines an in-depth exploration of Ecuadorian history and culture and intensive Spanish language instruction with travel and intercultural learning with service placements in community-based organizations in the city of Guayaquil.

YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Academic Year and Semester: Host Family

- Homestays provide an opportunity to improve your Spanish skills, learn about Ecuadorian culture, and have a home away from home.
- Host families provide a private room, most meals, and light laundry.
- Some of the host families provide internet access. Internet connections are available at select locations on campus as well.

YOUR CLASSES

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FACTS ABOUT STUDYING ABROAD

It's Affordable
We strive to make study abroad affordable to the whole student population. There are many scholarships and funding opportunities.

Your Funding Travels With You
Did you know that if you’re a SUNY student, the following automatically applies:
• Financial Aid
• Federal Pell Grant
• New York State TAP Grant
• Excelesior Scholarship
• Any scholarships already received by student

*Some conditions apply. Please consult Financial Aid.

You Can Graduate On Time
Yes, you can! Talk to your academic advisor and the study abroad staff on campus.

You Don't Need To Know A Second Language
Study abroad opportunities are available throughout the English-speaking world, and programs with courses taught in English are available in non-English speaking countries.

Studying Abroad Enhances Your Degree and Education
Today’s employers want to hire graduates with international experience and cross-cultural understanding.

It’s Never Too Early To Plan
First-year students can take part in winter intersession and summer programs. These opportunities, as well as semester-long and academic year study abroad experiences, are available.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FUNDING

The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship
Award amounts up to $5,000

Freeman Asia Scholarship
Award amounts up to $7,000

Bridging Japan Awards up to $4,000

SUNY Diversity Abroad Honors Scholarship
Award amounts up to $2,000

For a listing of all scholarship and funding opportunities, please visit www.newpaltz.edu/studyabroad/students/financesandscholarships.

SUNY New Paltz College Foundations Scholarships
Award amounts varies

Global Scholar Program
Award amount varies

EOP Travel Grant
Award amounts up to $750

Go! Study Abroad Scholarship
Award amounts up to $1,000
DISCOVER YOUR WORLD AT INSTITUTO TECNOLÓGICO Y DE ESTUDIOS SUPERIORES DE MONTERREY

The Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey has campuses throughout Mexico. Students who study abroad for a semester in Mexico will most often study on the Guadalajara campus.

Guadalajara is considered by many to be the cultural center of the country. Located in the central region in the Western-Pacific area of Mexico, Guadalajara is the 10th largest city in Latin America and the second most populous metropolitan area of the country. The city is named after the Spanish city of Guadalajara, meaning “Valley of stones”.

YOUR CLASSES

Academic Year and Semester Students:
You can study abroad at the Tec de Monterrey if you are a second-semester freshman, sophomore, junior and senior with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, and at least two semesters of university level Spanish.

- Classes are taught in Spanish and/or English.
- Courses in English are offered in the following disciplines:
  - Architecture and Design
  - Accounting and Finance
  - Computing
  - Economics
  - Business
  - Humanistic Studies
  - Engineering
  - Political Science
  - Engineering

- Coursework is completed on Guadalajara campus during the semester.

Summer Students:
Courses in English are offered in the following disciplines:

- Coursework is completed on various campuses during the summer.

YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Academic Year and Semester Students:
University Residence Halls

- Students are provided on-campus accommodation in a residence hall.
- All options are fully furnished.

Summer Students:

- Classes are taught in Spanish and/or English.
- Courses in English are offered in the following disciplines:
  - Architecture and Design
  - Accounting and Finance
  - Computing
  - Economics
  - Business
  - Humanistic Studies
  - Engineering
  - Political Science
  - Engineering
DISCOVER YOUR WORLD AT
UNIVERSIDAD LATINA
DE COSTA RICA

Located in San Pedro, ULatina, is the largest private university in Costa Rica. The university offers an extensive variety of coursework in both English and Spanish, with internship opportunities also available. Popular among international students is the university’s Spanish language coursework and its well-known Hospitality focused business and sustainability coursework.

The country’s territory takes up only 0.03% of the world’s land, but despite the relatively small area, it is home to more than 5% of the total biodiversity in the world. There are several iconic rainforest animals living in Costa Rica, and the government is also working hard to preserve the rainforests and national parks around the country. Due to Costa Rica’s proximity to the equator, sunrise and sunset are to be expected at the same time every day. Tourism and a smart government have saved much of nature, and now more than 25% of the country is protected as national parks, reserves, and refuges for wildlife.

YOUR CLASSES

Academic Year and Semester Students:
You can study abroad at Universidad Latina de Costa Rica if you are a second semester freshman, sophomore, junior and senior with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher, and at least two semesters of university level Spanish.

- Classes are taught in Spanish and/or English.
- Courses in English are offered in the following disciplines:
  • Business
  • Education
  • Engineering
  • Health Sciences
  • Social Sciences

YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Academic Year and Semester: Host Family

- Homestays provide an opportunity to improve your Spanish skills, learn about local culture, and have a home away from home.
- Host families provide a private room, most meals, and light laundry.
- Some of the host families provide internet access. Internet connections are available at select locations on campus as well.
DISCOVER YOUR WORLD AT THE SUNY GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM IN NEW YORK CITY

The SUNY Global Engagement Program is designed to provide students with interests in global issues with internationally focused field experience through unpaid internships along with a rigorous academic program. The program will be carried out at the SUNY Global Center in New York City. New York City offers a wealth of opportunities for students to gain hands on experience in the world of international affairs.

The SUNY Global Engagement Program in New York City is an important center for international diplomacy and has been described as the cultural capital of the world. The presence of the United Nations Secretariat and offices of all UN related organizations will provide openings for students in many fields of study related to global affairs including education, the arts, the social and natural sciences, and business.

YOUR CLASSES

Semester Students:

You can study as part of the SUNY Global Engagement Program in New York City (SUNY GEP) if you are a second semester freshman, sophomore, junior and senior with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.

- The course will integrate academic works related to global governance particularly focusing on the relationship between international governmental organizations and international non-governmental organizations as well as international relations between states and regional dynamics.
- The semester long program will carry a course load of 12-15 credit hours total.
- Internships are conducted in English (6-9 credits)
- With assistance from the Program Director, students are expected to secure an internship of minimum of 20-25 hours per week.
- The internships are expected to be relevant to international affairs in organizations that foster global engagement.
- Students are expected to participate in a weekly seminar on international affairs at the SUNY Global Center (3 credits)
- Colloquium is taught in English (3 credits)

Students conduct a major research project during the colloquium.

- The goal of this course is to gain field experience in international affairs. The program offers many opportunities to network, participate in events at the UN, and other major venues in NYC as well as offer alumni connections through workshops and training sessions.
- Students will be able to demonstrate multicultural and interpersonal communication skills and become fluent in the current state of international relations including UN and affiliated organizations as well as international non-governmental organizations.
- Each room has one standard twin-size bed, a desk, chair, dresser and a closet which locks. Double rooms have two of each, except for small double rooms which only have one closet.
- Every floor has a large communal bathroom with semi-private or private showers, sinks and toilets.
- Bed linen, pillows, blankets and bedspread are supplied. Students should bring their own towels.
- There is a kitchen/dining area on each floor with all appliances, including a microwave; however, cooking and eating supplies are not provided.

YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME

Semester Students:

New York City is a large, cosmopolitan and diverse city. As such, short-term housing tends to be rather expensive. The SUNY Global Engagement program plans for student housing at 92Y.

- Our goal is to provide students with safe, clean, and conveniently located housing while in New York. Your room will be clean, safe and accessible by public transportation. Students are welcome to make their own arrangements for housing.
- Students will be able to demonstrate multicultural and interpersonal communication skills and become fluent in the current state of international relations including UN and affiliated organizations as well as international non-governmental organizations.

- Bed linen, pillows, blankets and bedspread are supplied. Students should bring their own towels.
- Each floor has a large communal bathroom and all appliances, including a microwave; however, cooking and eating supplies are not provided.