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students
ABROAD

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Study Abroad SCHOLARSHIPS



A guide to funding your semester or summer abroad

It's no secret that finances are the number one concern of students wanting to study abroad. The good news is there are many opportunities to easily chip away at the cost of studying abroad, some of which require little more effort than a one-page essay.

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Study Abroad Scholarships 101

Else-Marie Nelson in Oslo, Norway. Nelson received a scholarship sponsored by the Telemark, Norway county mayor's office.



While there are hundreds of scholarships available to college students hoping to go abroad, only a small percentage of applicants actually pursue them. Scholarships can be federally funded, university-specific, or offered through different organizations.

To help Minot State students seize every opportunity to finance their transformative experience abroad, we've compiled this scholarship list with deadlines, eligibility and application information. The only thing standing between you and the semester of a lifetime is your willingness to apply!

Existing Scholarships: Almost all academic scholarships can be used to cover the cost of study abroad as long as you take the required number of credits. Be sure to verify with the MSU Financial Aid Office to ensure that your already-awarded scholarship(s) will apply.

Other ways to fund your semester abroad:

- Set up a GoFundMe page and post it on your social media sites
- Ask family or friends to contribute to your study abroad costs in lieu of a birthday gift
- Host a bake sale or a car wash

TYPES OF STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIPS

FEDERALLY FUNDED

BENJAMIN A. GILMAN SCHOLARSHIP
Deadline: March 6
Amount: \$5,000
Eligibility: Pell Grant recipient and U.S. citizenship.
GilmanScholarship.org

BOREN AWARD
Deadline: February 8
Amount: \$8,000 - \$20,000
Eligibility: U.S. citizenship with plans to study abroad in a country other than Western Europe, Canada, Australia, or New Zealand.
BorenAwards.org

HOST UNIVERSITY

ISA HOST UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline: April 30

- Korea University in Seoul, South Korea - \$1,000 - \$2,000
- University of Canterbury, in Christchurch, New Zealand - Up to \$10,000
- Kingston University in London, England - £500 GBP

Visit StudiesAbroad.com for a full list of host university scholarships and requirements.

PROGRAM SPECIFIC

ISA SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline: April 30

Amount: 8 different scholarships, each offering up to \$2,500.

StudiesAbroad.com

SEMESTER AT SEA SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline: Rolling

Amount: \$5 million given annually:

- Merit Grants: \$250 - \$2,500
- Need Grants: \$250 - \$10,000

SemesterAtSea.org

OTHER AVAILABLE FUNDING

DIVERSITYABROAD.COM
 A collection of scholarships for underrepresented student populations: minority, low income, first generation, etc.

FUND FOR EDUCATION ABROAD
 An independent study abroad scholarship provider offering \$1 million in scholarships.
FundForEducationAbroad.org

STUDY IN SWEDEN
 Scholarships, competitions and grants for students planning to study abroad in Sweden.
StudyInSweden.se

Scholarship websites:

- StudyAbroadFunding.org
- IEFA.org
- StudyAbroad.com
- GoOverseas.com



Apply before the deadline. Most scholarships require you to be accepted into a study abroad program before applying.

Business Programs Abroad

Six international universities with approved business course equivalencies



Dear MSU College of Business majors,

We are excited to provide you with the opportunity to study business all over the world. Study abroad is an important part of your development as a future leader, particularly in the increasingly globalized field of business. Experiencing the different dimensions of business from a unique cultural perspective will positively contribute to your broader understanding of marketing, finance, economics and business administration. I hope that you take advantage of these programs around the globe and truly allow your experience to grow you personally, professionally, and academically.

Dr. Deanna Klein

*Business Administration Dept. Chair
& Professor at Minot State University*

Featured Business Schools

University College of Southeast Norway
Telemark, Norway

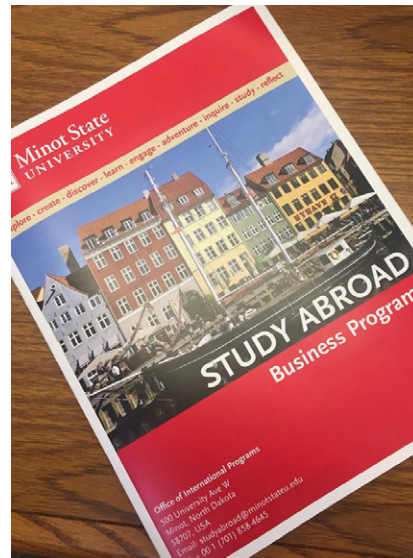
Kristianstad University
Kristianstad, Sweden

Aalborg University
Aalborg, Denmark

Menéndez Pelayo International University
Seville, Spain

Kingston University
London, England

Semester at Sea
10 - 12 different countries



Pick up your free copy of the featured business programs guide from the MSU College of Business student advisor, Eileen Solberg, in Old Main 307B, or from the Office of International Programs located in the Multicultural Center.



Studying abroad doesn't have to set you back financially. Selecting an affordable program can help you have the experience of a lifetime without a financial burden. The following programs offer an amazing experience at an affordable price. All programs below (other than those located in Scandinavia) also offer 4-6 week programs during the summer semester.

LOCATION	DURATION	COST*
Asia		
Seoul, South Korea	Mid Aug. - Late Dec.	\$11,895
Bangkok, Thailand	Early Sep. - Mid Dec.	\$9,975
Europe		
Prague, Czech Republic	Aug. 31 - Dec. 15	\$12,495
Seville, Spain	Mid Sep. - Mid Dec.	\$11,250
Scandinavia		
Kristianstad, Sweden	Late Aug. - Early Jan.	\$6,409
Telemark, Norway	Mid Aug. - Mid Dec.	\$8,689
Latin America		
San Jose, Costa Rica	Sep. 29 - Dec. 22	\$9,295
Pacific		
Newcastle, Australia	Early July - Late Nov.	\$11,550

**Program prices are approximate and only reflect the cost of tuition, program fees, insurance, and housing. Cost of transportation, books and personal expenses are additional.*

Tips to keep study abroad affordable

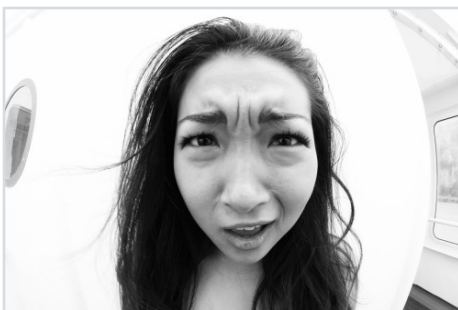
- Choose a program that offers a homestay as a housing option. You'll save money on food and laundry services.
- Consider a summer program instead of a full semester.
- Apply before the deadline! This will give you plenty of time to apply for scholarships and potentially save money on your flight.

“Just Be At Sea”

A photo compilation showcasing the impact of Semester at Sea

Each study abroad experience touches and shapes every student differently, but for Ari Gootnick, the fall 2015 Semester at Sea voyage in which he participated was particularly life changing. His experience inspired him to document how the voyage has changed the lives of others within the community onboard. Gootnick launched the JustBeAtSea project via Tumblr at the end of his voyage as a way to honor his experience and the experiences of others he sailed with. Throughout the last month of the voyage, Gootnick wandered around the ship and found students, faculty, staff and crew to ask them one question: “How has traveling around the world changed the person you are today?” The responses show a diverse range of growth that can typically take place on a study abroad program. Some highlights are presented here.

Visit Ari’s full blog at www.justbeatsea.tumblr.com

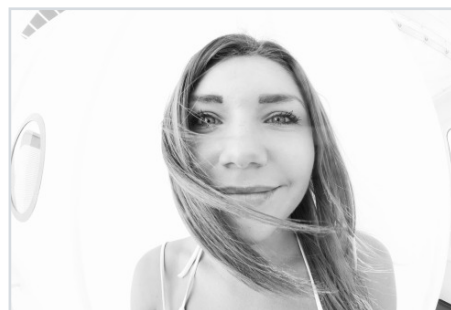


Julianne Yamate: *“Traveling the world has made me a more culturally aware and open minded person. Traveling has also (and most importantly) made me conscious.”*



Madeline Engelking: *“Life doesn’t need to revolve around plans. While traveling in unfamiliar places, things don’t always go the way you expected. I’ve grown to relax and let life take me in the direction it flows.”*

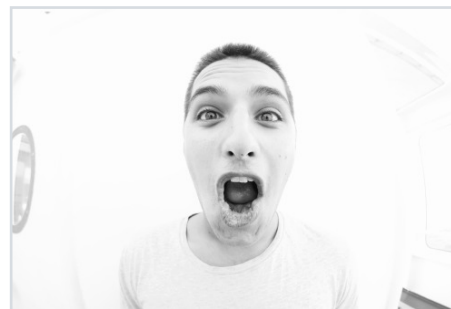
Content originally published on SemesterAtSea.org.
Photos and quotations courtesy of Ari Gootnick: AriGootnick.com, @AriGoot



Claire Goldner: *“It’s made me realize how small of a corner of a world we actually occupy, but that making that corner as beautiful as we can is the most important thing we can do.”*



Chann Little: *“Traveling the world has made me realize that I am capable of taking the steps to change the world. I am a first generation college student and statistics said that I would not even make it to college, but now I am studying in places that I have never dreamed of. The world is my university and I am blessed to be setting an example for the next generation of young black men.”*



Adam Wiviott: *“It has made me more aware of who I am as a person and has allowed me to figure out what direction I want to take my life in.”*

Want to travel the world with Semester at Sea ?

Email:
StudyAbroad@MinotStateU.edu
to set up an appointment.

Next Stop: Sweden

Why one Minot State student will be studying in Kristianstad, Sweden this spring semester



Austin Feist exploring in Zermatt, Switzerland before starting his semester abroad at Kristianstad University.

Instead of weathering Minot's negative temperatures this spring semester, junior and marketing and management major, Austin Feist (AF), will be exploring new terrain and taking classes toward his degree in the idyllic town of Kristianstad, Sweden. To find out what Austin has planned for his semester abroad at Kristianstad University, we interviewed him before he set out on his adventure of a lifetime!

Q: As a business major, there are a lot of study abroad options. What led you to choose the program in Sweden?

AF: I've always wanted to explore and experience the Scandinavian culture and this was a perfect opportunity. Kristianstad is also a well-established business school and I felt like it spoke to me!

Q: You've traveled abroad before but never officially studied abroad yet. What made you take the leap?

AF: I have always known that I would want to live abroad at some point in my life. The opportunity that Minot State gave me was the perfect timing that allowed me to follow my dream!

Q: While there are probably several, what's one thing you're looking forward to the most?

AF: I'm looking forward to [experiencing] the culture and [learning] how the Swedish people live their lives compared to the United States. Of course I'm also looking forward to traveling and making lifelong friends.

Q: What are some bucket list items you're hoping to check-off while abroad?

AF: I would love to kayak the fjords in Norway, swim in the blue lagoon in Iceland, visit old historic castles in Germany, see the Alps, and that's just to name a few! But I'm also just excited to check off the box stating that I lived and studied abroad!



5 Reasons to Study Abroad in Sweden



1 Creativity is central

When you study in Sweden, you're encouraged to think independently, creatively and critically. You'll develop your ability to question the status quo by assessing information, seeking new perspectives and coming up with well-informed opinions. You'll be free to think creatively because of the informal and non-hierarchical nature of Swedish society, where everyone is encouraged to contribute ideas and opinions.

2 Coursework is challenging – in a good way

Sweden has a long and proud history of academic excellence and despite its relatively small population, it's home to some of the world's best universities. The entire Swedish higher education system is ranked as one of the best in the world, and several Swedish universities are ranked by the Times Higher Education.

3 Sustainability and the environment are in focus

If you're concerned with sustainable development you'll feel right at home in Sweden. Environmental issues are high priority here, and Sweden has been named the most sustainable country in the world for its use of renewable energy (it has the highest percentage of renewable energy in the EU).

4 Equality and diversity are central to Swedish society

Swedish society is known for its inclusiveness and equality – you may have heard Sweden referred to as the most equal country in the world. The belief that everyone is of equal value contributes to Sweden's consensus approach to getting things done, where everyone takes part in the decision-making process.

5 You'll learn skills for a global career

What's the most important thing you'll need for success in your career? According to a global study of CEOs, it's creativity. And creativity is exactly what studying in Sweden will foster, along with other in-demand skills such as how to combine theory and practice, and how to navigate complex situations where there's no easy solution.

Interested in studying abroad in Sweden?

Visit MinotStateU.edu/international/study_abroad.shtml or e-mail StudyAbroad@MinotStateU.edu to set up an appointment.

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Notes From the Field

Reflections after social work internships in London



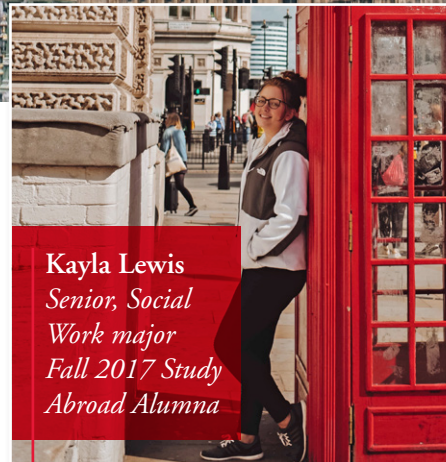
Alyssa Kadrmaz
Senior, Social
Work major
Fall 2017 Study
Abroad Alumna

"I'm amazed by all the things I have been exposed to by leaving North Dakota and going abroad. I would highly recommend interning or studying abroad to everyone because it opens your eyes to the world and everyone in it. I think I will continue to grow in many different areas. Personally, I will continue to grow by being able to do things outside of my

"...it opens your eyes to the world and everyone in it."

comfort zone and tackling things that I set my mind to. Getting to London was definitely not an easy task for anyone [and] that taught me perseverance and to keep striving for what I want to accomplish.

Professionally I will continue to grow in the fact that I now have [social work] training with a population that few have in North Dakota. It will set me apart from other social workers in the respect that I have experience working with people from a different country and culture. Overall I'm so thankful to have interned abroad and to have gained the cultural experiences that I did."




Kayla Lewis
Senior, Social
Work major
Fall 2017 Study
Abroad Alumna

"Throughout the internship I had the opportunity to work with people from over a dozen nationalities, most of which I would be unlikely to come across in North Dakota. These included Syrian, Afghani, Nigerian, Sri Lankan, Algerian, and many more. Many of these people spoke very little English, so in order to successfully communicate with them I had to be

creative and adapt my communication style to match their needs. Every person that came through the door had varying levels of English so this forced me to constantly be on my toes and to be flexible. I also had to be culturally competent, which includes being aware of my own culture, biases, and prejudices in order to avoid discrimination. These experiences opened my eyes to many different cultures and types of living. It gave me a broader view of the world."

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on Interning Abroad?**

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Experience/Internships](https://www.studiesabroad.com/experience/internships)
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STUDY ABROAD

Summer +
Fall 2018

APPLICATIONS DUE:
February 15th

(September 15, 2018 for all Spring 2019 programs)

Requirements

- 2.5 Cumulative GPA
- 24 credit hours completed by departure

Length

- Summer: 4 - 6 weeks
- Fall: 12 - 16 weeks long in duration

Locations / Programs

- Norway
- Sweden
- Denmark
- Semester at Sea
- England
- Costa Rica
- Ireland
- Italy
- Australia
- New Zealand
- France
- Spain
- Czech Republic
- South Korea
- Thailand
- AND MORE!