Law, Ethics & Human Rights Study Abroad

Why study abroad?

Studying abroad expands your understanding of the world and helps you develop usable skills, such as adaptability and intercultural communication, that are in high demand by employers and graduate programs.

Can I afford it?

Absolutely! Program fees vary greatly depending on the program, but with good planning an affordable study abroad experience is possible. Most types of financial aid can be applied to UW-approved programs, and there is a list of scholarships available to students studying abroad on our website. Be sure to plan ahead! Make an appointment with us and we can help you start your scholarship search, both Study Abroad Advising and the UWB Writing and Communication Center can help polish up application essays.

What kinds of programs are there?

With over 500 programs approved for UW students you are bound to find something that fits your needs.

**UW Faculty-Led Programs:**
- Short-term (2 weeks)
- Early Fall Exploration Seminars (3-4 weeks)
- Summer Term A or B (4-5 weeks)
- Quarter-long

**Partner Programs:** Summer or semester programs organized by non-UW organizations

**University Exchanges:** Semester / year long programs at UW partnering universities

**Internships:** Quarter long professional placements through IE3, Omprakash,

Do I need to know a foreign language?

Not necessarily. While many exchanges and partner programs may have a foreign language requirement, there are plenty of programs primarily in English. Study abroad does provide a fantastic chance to start learning a new language as you will practice the native language when speaking with locals. A lot of programs also incorporate introductory language lessons into their curriculum.

When can I study abroad?

You can study abroad any time during your college career and we have programs ranging from a couple weeks to a full year, all of which guarantee UW credits. We encourage students to consider studying abroad early in their college career so the opportunity is available to study abroad again if they desire. There may be more flexibility in course scheduling during a student’s first couple of years while they complete the general area of knowledge requirements. It is important to meet with your academic advisor to make sure your study abroad credits will fit well with your academic schedule. If you love it the first time, you may want to consider an IE3 internship.

How do I start?

Explore! Follow the link at the bottom of this page to review the tips and resources, search for programs, or set up an appointment to meet with a Study Abroad Advisor. Questions to consider when looking for a program:

- What do I want to study?
- How long do I want to go?
- Do I prefer to go with a UW group or have an independent experience?
- What degree requirements can study abroad fulfill?
Law, Ethics & Human Rights Programs of Interest

Please note that the programs listed are just a sample of what the UW offers

Gender, Culture and Human Rights in India
UWB Faculty-Led Program  |  Spring Break  |  India
This 5-credit program explores the most current gender and human rights issues in various contexts in India. The experience begins with Winter Quarter classes at UWB, followed by 2 weeks of site visits in Delhi and Mumbai in India, and ends with some online assignments and a couple of meetings in Spring Quarter.

The Politics of Soccer in Spain, France, and Beyond
UWB Faculty-Led Program  |  Summer Term A  |  Europe
Students approach soccer as a political and cultural phenomenon examining the ways in which the sport functions as a site for political contestation on regional, national, and international scales. This program also explores the politics of soccer elsewhere, including human rights violations, corruption surrounding recent and future world cups, and the exploitation of athletes from across the globe.

History, Memory and Human Rights in Central Europe
UW Faculty-Led Program  |  Fall or Spring Quarter  |  Europe
This program offers UW students a unique and specific study abroad experience not available elsewhere: it is all about the immersing of students into Central European cities in order to develop a complex understanding of the dynamic historical, cultural, and political life of Central Europe as a whole. Strongly anchored in both theory and hands on application, students experiences will vary from academically rigorous seminar-style courses, to international field trips aimed at provoking personal reflection and exploration, to cultural events that transform student understanding of community.

Gender, Human Rights, and Peacebuilding in Exile
UW Faculty-Led Program  |  Winter Quarter  |  Thailand
This program explores the human rights, livelihoods, conflict, and the peacebuilding process in Myanmar by examining the dynamics of ethnicity, gender, and power on the Thailand-Myanmar border. Based primarily in Chiang Mai, Thailand, with a field trip to the border town of Mae Sot, Fang, and Chiang Rai, the program collaborates with several local organizations that work on social services, livelihood support, and human rights advocacy.

CIEE Community Development, Language + Culture
Partner Program  |  Semester  |  Tanzania
Embark on an exploration of challenges facing Tanzania, including hunger, poor education, gender inequality, climate change, HIV, and deforestation. Through fascinating coursework and activities with locals, learn about issues impacting Tanzanian communities, design and carry out an original research project, volunteer at a local organization, and gain a basic proficiency in Swahili.

IES: Law + Criminology in Amsterdam
Partner Program  |  Semester  |  Netherlands
Are you considering attending law school after graduation? Learn about comparative law in an international context by taking classes with Dutch and international students. Past courses that students have taken include Human Rights & Migration, Politics of International Security, and Ethics & Integrity of Governance, among others.

SIT: Human Rights + Movements, Power, and Resistance
Partner Program  |  Semester  |  Chile, Jordan, Nepal +US
Investigate the historical and social contexts of human rights movements, including the roles of culture, identity, political economy, and international law in four different countries. Students will learn how grassroots activists, individuals, and communities are giving meaning to human rights movements at the local level by meeting with activists, students, grassroots organizers, indigenous communities, and refugees, before meeting with Parliament members and UN officials.

IE3: Ruwwad an Arab Foundation for Sustainable Development
IE3 Internship  |  Jordan
Ruwwad works with the under-developed community of Jabal Natheef to bring much needed services such as police, mail, and health services while constantly evaluating its needs. Interns with Ruwwad assist with event planning, content development, curriculum development, project management, research, and teaching.

IE3: Tenaganita and the Promotion + Protection of Human Rights
IE3 Internship  |  Malaysia
Tenaganita has been working to protect and promote human rights in Malaysia since 1991. The organization conducts research, provides legal aid services, awareness building activities, advocacy, and supports other organizations interested in the rights of women, migrants, and refugees in Malaysia and beyond. Interns from a wide variety of academic backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

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