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Study Abroad Through Prairie State College

Australia
Why Study Abroad?

Here are a Few Reasons:

Study abroad programs give students a chance to travel during college and PSC offers a variety of programs to help you make the most of your undergraduate experience.

- **Learn about another culture** – By living in another country, you’ll have the opportunity to learn the aspects of that country.
- **Learn another language** – Learning a second language is easier when studying it in its native country. There are also additional languages you can learn that are not available at PSC.
- **Enhance your résumé** – Studying abroad will set you apart from other applicants because it shows that you are adaptable to new situations and adventurous.
- **Earn credit** – Take classes in another country that will count towards your degree. You can learn about Shakespeare in England or study Buddhism in China.
- **Travel** – Studying abroad during college is cheaper than traveling after you graduate.
- **Learn about your own culture** – You can reflect on your own culture as you interact with people from different backgrounds.
- **Make friends** – You can make lifelong friends around the world!

### Study Abroad Opportunities:

- **Australia** (Summer Semester) – Learn about the Outback studying in Sydney.
  
  **Program Description:**
  - This History and Culture program is designed to give participants an immersion experience in the history and culture of Australia.
  - Students will have the opportunity to learn from the area experts and enjoy historic, cultural, and environmental sites.
  - Instruction related to the program will entail both classroom instruction on the ICMS campus and numerous field trips and immersion experiences. There are lectures on the history of Australia in the mornings and field trips to the historical and cultural sites each afternoon. There are also some overnight excursions to the Blue Mountains and Outback.
  - All students participate in a History of Australia classroom course with specific readings and a final exam. Student wishing to earn 6 credits will be required to select a topic of specialization based on course topics and/or field trip experiences and complete a 20 page research paper on their area of interest.

  **The Program Fee is $2,800*, and will cover:**
  - Tuition
  - Lodging
  - Meals
  - Sydney area tours and regional excursions

  **The fee does not include:**
  - Airfare
  - Health insurance
  - Passport
  - Personal expenses
  - Tuition at home institution

  **Application Deadline:**
  Applications are available through your institution's ICISP Representative. You must apply through your home institution, applications submitted directly from students will not be accepted.

  More information can be obtained by visiting www.icisp.org

*Prices subject to change

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### Am I eligible to study abroad?

- All programs have the following requirements that you must meet to study abroad:
  - 2.75 or higher GPA, based on 12 or more credits of college study
  - Two faculty recommendations
  - English Composition completed with a grade of C or better
  - An essay outlining your goals for participation in the program
  - International Health Insurance Package (cost variable)

*additional requirements may be necessary depending on the program

### I’m interested. Now what?

- Visit Teresa McCann, Study Abroad Representative for PSC.
- Determine why you want to study abroad - Do you want to learn a language or do you need additional credits?
- Research the different opportunities available to you.
- Decide a location and a semester - Most programs need at least one semester’s advance notice to participate. All programs require a deposit and all fees must be paid in full before the trip.
- Money - While there are scholarships available, most of the time scholarships do not cover the full amount. Financial aid is available to those who qualify.
- Fill out the application - You also need a doctor’s release. You may need to write an essay about why you want to study abroad.
- Send in the application and the deposit.