Study Abroad
Through
Prairie State College

Australia
China
England
Mexico

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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.
- **Austria** (Fall, Spring, and Summer Semester) – Study German and other courses including art and history in the city where The Sound of Music was filmed.
- **China** (Fall Semester) – Introduce yourself to the Chinese culture and language.
- **Costa Rica** (Summer Semester) – Learn or enhance your Spanish speaking skills while viewing beautiful beaches and waterfalls.
- **England** (Fall and Spring Semester) – Canterbury offers endless options. Study Shakespeare and learn about Westminster Abbey.
- **Ireland** (Fall and Spring Semester) – Explore the Emerald Isle while earning credit!
- **Spain** (Fall and Spring Semester) – Dance the Flamenco and watch bullfighting at its finest!
- **Japan** (Summer Semester) – Konnichiwa! Learn Japanese and experience Japanese culture in Kyoto!
- **Morocco**  – (Pending)
- **Mexico** (Summer Semester) – Immerse yourself in the language and culture to become bilingual and bicultural.

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

### 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.