A PARENT'S GUIDE TO
STUDY ABROAD AT UVM

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UVM students participating in approved programs can continue to use federal and state aid to assist in financing their study abroad experiences.

Currently on an exchange program, Vermont resident students pay the UVM in-state tuition rate, and out-of-state students pay tuition at the "exchange rate" which is equivalent to a 40% reduction on out-of-state tuition. Financial aid, including UVM grants and scholarships can apply to exchange programs only. UVM grants and scholarships are proportionally reduced for out-of-state students to account for the reduction in tuition.

Additionally, there are numerous scholarships available for study abroad students, both general and region specific.

Students who study abroad continue to take a rigorous course load. Universities abroad offer a wide range of courses which may fulfill your student's major, minor, or other requirements. Students have the option to take classes in English, even in countries where English is not the native language.

Students who study abroad develop knowledge and skills that will help them stand out to employers. This includes second language skills that make students more competitive in a global economy. Other skills students develop while abroad include:

- Intercultural communication
- Problem-solving
- Independence
- Confidence
- Leadership
- Flexibility

Study abroad is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for most students. Never again will your student have the opportunity to experience a different culture, study in a different country, and make friendships that transcend global barriers, all while earning college credit.

At UVM, your student will have support every step of the way. The Office of International Education will be there to assist your student before, during, and after their time abroad.