History Intercalated Year Briefing

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What is the Intercalated Year?

Study Abroad

Work Placement

A combination of both

Study Abroad - Overview

- The History Department offers its undergraduate students the opportunity, on a competitive basis, to spend a full academic year at one or two of our partner universities through our exchange programmes. A combination of Study Abroad and Work Placement is also an option.
- All single-honours and joint-honours History students on a three-year course (i.e. History, History & Politics, History & Sociology, History & Philosophy, History & Global Sustainable Development, English & History) are eligible to apply for a Year Abroad during the first term of their second year of study.
- Students who choose to go to Venice as part of their degree are eligible to apply for the Year Abroad and will continue to Venice in their final year.
- The year is pass/fail based on completion of the Year Abroad Reflective Assignment
- All students must have an average grade of 60 (a 2.1) or above for their first year of study in order to be eligible to apply for any of the Year Abroad places offered by the History Department. Mitigating Circumstances will be taken into consideration. In exceptional circumstances, students without an average of 60% in the first year might be interviewed.

Study Abroad - Destinations

- You can find a list of History destinations on our website: https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/arts/history/studenthub/international/yearabroad/apply/destinations/
- Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Hong Kong, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, Singapore, Slovenia, Spain, USA
- Some regions and institutions tend to be more popular than others – in the event that we have more applications than available spaces, year 1 mark profiles will be taken into consideration when allocating places.
- Make sure you check language requirements (listed on the website). Some host universities will require an external certificate of competency.
- You can apply for split placements if you wish unless it explicitly states on the website you can not (some universities only accept students for the full year).
- Some destinations are still TBC. If you want to put these as your choices, you MUST ensure you submit back-ups as well.
- If you are joint honours student, your joint degree department will also have a list of destinations, for which you would be eligible.

Study Abroad – Applications

- You need to apply via a web form. We will circulate the link on Monday 16th November.
- You **MUST** be logged in to submit the form, otherwise it will submit the form without your name and ID and the application will not be valid.
- You will need to submit your personal information, your choice of destinations (max. 3), and a personal statement detailing the rationale for your application and the reasons behind your choice of destination(s).
- Key dates:
  - Monday, 16th November 2026 at 12:00 (Term 1, Week 7) – Application form will open for students to apply
  - Wednesday, 2nd December 2026 at 12:00 (Term 1, Week 10) - Application form closes
  - w/c Tuesday 22nd December 2026 (Winter Vacation - Week 3) - latest date for outcomes
  - No later than Friday 8th January 2027 at 12:00 (Term 2, Week 1) - Applicants need to confirm their acceptance in an email response to history.abroad@warwick.ac.uk

Personal Statements – 4000 Character Limit

Why this country? Why this University?

Your academic interests

Your career goals

Your language skills

Personal growth

Work Placements

- An opportunity to develop new skills and learn from non-academic professionals in the commercial, industrial, not-for-profit, or voluntary sectors.
- Reinforce your employability and further prepare you for the next stage of your career after graduation.
- Assessed through regular reflective pieces of writing during placement, and a 3,000-word written summary afterwards reflecting on experiences, skills developed, etc.
- Can combine half a year on work placement with half a year of study abroad (although single-term placements are usually more limited).
- **Placements are the responsibility of students to arrange for themselves and require departmental approval.**
- For advice on looking for placement opportunities, please visit the University's Careers pages (https://warwick.ac.uk/services/careers) and advertisements on myAdvantage.
- History Department's Placements Page: https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/arts/history/students/currentug/placements/#find-placement

Useful Links and Information

Student Mobility webpages - recordings of autumn briefing sessions and links to all the information you need about applications, funding, wellbeing support, visas…

Student Mobility run a daily online drop-in

History Application Information page

History Destinations page

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