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Study Abroad Destinations 2018/2019

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- Netherlands
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Overview

Brexit: everything we say today is subject to the UK’s decision on Brexit and whether there is a no-deal or deal.

https://www.erasmusplus.org.uk/brexit-update
The rules for travel to most countries in Europe will change if the UK leaves the EU with no deal. After 29 March:

• UK nationals should have at least 6 months left on their passport from the date of arrival. This applies to adult and child passports.

• If you renewed a 10 year adult passport before it expired, extra months may have been added to your passport’s expiry date, making it valid for more than 10 years. Any extra months on your passport over 10 years may not count towards the 6 months that should be remaining for travel to most countries in Europe.
The following countries are within the Schengen area:

- Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland.

For countries that are in the EU but not in the Schengen area, you’ll need to check the entry requirements for the country you’re travelling to before you travel. These countries are:

- Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus and Romania. Travel to Ireland is subject to separate Common Travel Area arrangements which will remain the same after the UK leaves the EU.
Brexit: The Future of Erasmus+ Funding

• In a ‘no-Brexit’ deal, the government may not underwrite Erasmus+ funding for students outbound in 2019

• We confirm that Warwick will still apply for February 2019 funding in the expectation that the no-deal Brexit will not be the case.

• Universities UK International are in negotiation with the Treasury to commit to underwriting this funding in a no-deal scenario. There is no guarantee on central funding at this time (30 Jan 2019)
  
  – Universities UK International (UUKi) are running a ‘social media campaign’ for you to upload your views - #savestudyabroad

• We cannot guarantee the 2019 outbound Erasmus+ bursary.
If a no-deal scenario takes place, Warwick has agreed to underwrite the Erasmus+ bursary for work and study placements for 2019-20.

The bursary would be paid in accordance with the same criteria as the current Erasmus+ project.

You will be responsible for completing all documentation as if the Erasmus+ programme was still in place.

Any change in your circumstances (change in study plan etc.) would require you to repay the bursary as with the current Erasmus+ programme.

Non-EU exchanges will not receive a bursary for 2019-20.

All details will be provided once the overall position is clearer.
European Health Insurance Card


- If you have a regular EHIC, you must return it and apply for a student EHIC

- You are not entitled to use a **student EHIC** if you are on a work placement (this includes British Council Language Assistantship students)

- An EHIC application will require a letter from Warwick confirming you are a student, address of where you are studying overseas; your qualification, start and end dates.

- A withdrawal agreement should enable the current EHIC rights to continue, however, a no-deal scenario may result in the end of the EHIC rights.

- We would advise you purchase private health insurance (the Business Travel Insurance is for emergency cover) in the event the EHIC is no longer in place (no-deal).
Travel Insurance – Study Abroad
February 2019

Richard Campbell-Kelly – Insurance Services Manager, University of Warwick
Introduction

- Travel insurance for students studying abroad.
- Automatic cover at no cost to the student – value to you c£200
- Non-EU students – personal letters available for visits to Schengen Area to assist with visa applications.
- Keep up to date with Foreign Office advice.
- Post Brexit?
Key Policy cover

• Emergency medical expenses and repatriation – unlimited.

• Personal belongings and money - £10,000.

• Cancellation/curtailment/rearrangement - £250,000.

• Personal liability - £5m.

• Political or natural disaster evacuation £250,000.

• Loss of travel documents - £2,000 – (keep good quality copy documents with you and originals safe, if allowed, to reduce risk of loss and inconvenience)
What is not covered

• Personal travel unless incidental – 1 day per week abroad capped at 7 days
• Travel after medical advice has been given not to travel.
• Personal health cover (non-emergency) - students to source and pay for own cover.
• Travel to areas where the Foreign and Commonwealth Office state travel should be avoided and, if without justification, areas where essential travel only is recommended.
• Travel over 12 months must be referred to the Insurance Services Office.
What is not covered continued

• Motor – watch out for local licence requirements

• Accommodations scams

• Airline failure

• Liability for third party injury/damage as a result of the use of firearms, wilful acts, part of a criminal act or being under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

• Loss of or accidental damage to mobile phones, tablets or laptops.

Insurers will review carefully each claim submitted.
Recent Issues

• Internships

• Gatwick drone

• France rioting – Yellow jackets

• Pickpockets - replacing documents – photocopies?

• Allergy awareness for airlines

• Accommodation scams

• Car hire – correct driving permit and insurance

• Brexit exclusions

• Flights post 30 March 2019

• EHIC card use
Assistance

• Aviva 24/7 helpline.
• Warwick Insite - https://warwick.ac.uk/services/finance/insurance
• Claims forms online.
• Insurance Services Office – Argent Court (near Tesco).
Applying
Throughout your preparation use the Study Abroad website as your source of information.

The team will post information on the Outbound section (front page)
eVision Study Abroad portal

Study Abroad Student View

My Details
- Placement 1: Contacts

Application Status
- Semester 1: Karl-Franzens-Universitat Graz - Approved
- Semester 2: Not submitted

Notifications
- Please remember to keep checking back to this page after submitting your application for further updates and information on your placement. You can visit the following link for more information and support - Study Abroad

- My Placements
- Host Application Status
- To Do Before Placement
- To Do During Placement
- To Do After Placement
- Additional Documents
Applications - Study

Study
• Nomination

• Reciprocal exchange (or one in one out!) Academic fee paid to home university.

• Deadlines vary: January through to early summer

• Keep in contact with your partner university and ensure you send all requested documents in good time.

Work including British Council Language Assistantship

• Research the requirements

• Your department must confirm your job description

• Deadlines will vary for response

• Deadlines for you to respond can be strict
Two Placements

If you intend to spend your time at two destinations, remember to:

• Check the term dates are compatible.

• Do not make assumptions: check the second university/work place has accepted you.

• Leave time for visa applications. This can take time.

• Check you have all the documentation you require.
Language

• Recent years have seen an increase in the number of study abroad students who are asked for evidence of language ability in the form of:
  • online testing
  • request for certification
  • confirmation from a tutor
• This will be part of the application process and you must action the request
• Evidence must be provided in the form specified by the partner
• Not all hosts ask for this, but it is becoming increasingly common
Confirmation of your Place at the Host University

- Confirmation of your place at the partner is subject to their approval
- The host will send you confirmation of your placement, by email or hard copy
- Warwick will confirm your end of year results – remember there is an overall expectation that you are at 2:1 level. If you have any concerns about this please get in touch with your departmental/academic contact
- Book your travel when you have received final confirmation from the host.
Accommodation

Study:

• On campus accommodation may be offered particularly for worldwide exchanges.
• European universities may offer support but you must actively secure accommodation as soon as possible.

Work:

• Speak to your host, see if they have any ideas about accommodation and can support you with this.
• WATCH out for scams: Last year scams cost Warwick students £1000’s in lost deposits. Even links from partner university websites may be compromised.
Tuition

https://warwick.ac.uk/services/academicoffice/finance/fees/ugtuitionfees2017/

- No tuition fees to your host: you may need to pay ancillary fees
- A change during the year in study or work placement may affect your tuition fees.
- Visit the Finance Office Fees/UG Tuition Fees for a list of updated fees
Funding

• Eligibility for funding and bursaries does not change because you will be abroad - apply as normal and make sure that you meet the Funding Companies deadline dates

• Warwick’s student finance team informs the funding companies who will be going abroad for the coming academic year, they include Host institution term dates. If the Host academic year starts more than a month before the Warwick academic year, the funding company will try to make payments earlier, for all other students payments will be made in accordance to Warwick's academic year - Early payments are NOT guaranteed

• We advise that alternative arrangements are made to cover the time between the start of your placement and receipt of funding
If you are currently being sponsored for your degree; a government scholarship; Institution sponsorship; other kinds of bursaries, you MUST check the terms of your funding.

Not all schemes allow you to undertake study abroad
Student Finance

• England

https://www.gov.uk/student-finance

Travel Grant: https://www.gov.uk/travel-grants-students-england

• Scotland

https://www.saas.gov.uk/

Travel grant - please contact Students Award Agency Scotland directly.

• Wales

https://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/

Travel Grant: https://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk/undergraduate-students/continuing-students/what-financial-support-is-available/travel-grant.aspx

• Northern Ireland

https://www.studentfinanceni.co.uk/

Travel Grant: https://www.studentfinanceni.co.uk/types-of-finance/undergraduate/full-time/northern-ireland-student/extra-help/travel-grant/what-is-it/#main
Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO)

Foreign travel advice

Search for a country or territory

Countries or territories

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Afghanistan
Algeria
Andorra
Anguilla
Argentina
Aruba
Austria

Albania
American Samoa
Anapa
Antigua and Barbuda
Armenia
Australia
Azerbaijan

Australia

Foreign travel advice

Summary
Safety and security
Terrorism
Local laws and customs

Entry requirements
Health
Natural disasters
Travel advice help and support

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Summary
Still current at:
Updated:
Latest update:

25 January 2018
17 January 2018

Health section: Two outbreaks of hepatitis A have been reported in the states of New South Wales and Victoria; for more information and advice, see the TravelHealthPro website.

https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice
We're proud of the strengths and values our diversity represents.

We strive to achieve fair and equal representation for all, allowing everyone in our community to contribute and reach their full potential.
Travelling
Visa’s

• If you require a visa to enter your destination country, you will receive support and information from your host.

• Timings- make sure you plan in sufficient time for this

• Investigate the process, some countries take longer than others, remember it could mean an appointment over the summer vacation

• Make sure you have all of your documentation together for your appointment

Tier 4 Visa compliance

Monitoring plans are essential for students holding a Warwick Tier 4 visa.

You will receive information on how you are required to meet your monitoring points nearer the time of your placement.
Wellbeing

You are always a Warwick student

Your personal tutor is able to support you while you are on your study abroad placement
• Remember to register at a medical centre as soon as you arrive

• Research your destination: not all countries allow all medications into the country

• Speak to your own doctor to arrange for your medication to cover your time overseas, or at least until you plan to return, they may need to find an alternative for you that is allowed in your destination country

• Research cost of dental or eye treatment. Book appointments before you go
Placement
Many partners will hold a week – month prior to the start of the academic year:

Orientation

Welcome

This can be a simple way of learning about the culture of your destination, of practising your language skills and of meeting your colleagues and developing your friendship groups:

• some hosts charge for this’ some don’t

• some include cultural, historical and social events
Module selection – Work plan

Select modules
• talk to your academic co-ordinator about your choices
  • You will need to achieve sufficient credit whilst on placement as advised by your department.

• Your academic co-ordinator will need to see a copy of your job description so that they can assess its suitability (the level and type of work that you will be doing) They may wish to see further evidence of your duties or confirmation that you will be working at the required level.

• Full-time attendance is expected.
• Your academic co-ordinator must authorise your plans, including any changes to your original plan.
Support and communication

You need to re-enrol for Warwick in September before you leave

- keep your Warwick email address
  - All communications from Warwick will be sent this way
    - Next years’ accommodation
    - Next years’ modules choices

- have access to all student support services

- be able to register for the Study Abroad modules (usually 120 CATS) at Warwick which will be recorded on your HEAR.
Transcripts will be required by your academic department at Warwick and the study abroad team

Study
- Your host university will be able to provide you with a transcript of your studies – you may need to ask for this, it may not be an automatic process

Work
- Your host may provide you with a reference for your work placement, but to be able to assess your placement more accurately your academic department should receive a transcript of work. The template for this can be downloaded from the study abroad website https://warwick.ac.uk/study/studyabroad/outbound/allforms/transcript_of_work
Feedback

Your views and experiences are very valuable.

Please participate in the different opportunities wherever you feel able to.
Intercultural Training

warwick.ac.uk/interculturaltraining
Intercultural Training

1. Before you go abroad
   - Intercultural Awareness Workshop

2. During your time abroad
   - Online modules and reflective exercises to help you learn from your experiences

3. When you return
   - Workshop: Articulating your intercultural competency to employers

warwick.ac.uk/interculturaltraining
For reference the link to the Moodle for this presentation is https://moodle.warwick.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=25241

Good luck with your Study Abroad!