Education Abroad Programs in The School of Interiors: Planning / Strategy / Design

UK Education Abroad offers a variety of programs that allow you to study interiors in an international setting. Immerse yourself in another culture, expand your knowledge of design, and explore what the world has to offer with any one of the exciting opportunities available to you!

Why study abroad?

Education abroad can help you...
- Experience design first-hand in other places
- Globalize your world view
- Expand your intercultural understanding and problem-solving skills
- Prepare to work in an increasingly diverse and international workplace
- Gain new insight into the world and yourself
- Increase your language skills

As a student of design, the best way to increase your knowledge is to immerse yourself in different cultures and learn about design all over the world. There is no substitute for the experience that a semester, year, summer, or winter abroad will give you.

Do I have to speak a foreign language to study abroad?

Absolutely not. There are plenty of programs in English-speaking countries. Furthermore, students can find classes taught in English in practically every country. Of course, there are also plenty of excellent programs for students who prefer to study in a foreign language.

Where can I study abroad?

There are many opportunities to study all over the world! From the historical architecture of Sao Paolo, UK offers a wide array of programs that allow students to study in all parts of the globe.

UK is a member of ISEP, an international network of more than 300 universities in 50+ countries. ISEP offers affordable exchange and direct programs for a variety of academic majors.

What are my next steps?

Attend a First Step Session.
Find out what you can study abroad and where, and ask questions about the application process, financial aid and scholarships, etc. First Step Sessions are held on Mondays and Tuesdays from 4-5p.m. and Wednesdays and Thursdays from 3-4p.m. in 207 Bradley Hall.

Explore the programs available.
Search online or visit the Education Abroad Resource Center in 315 Bradley Hall.

Talk to an Education Abroad advisor.
Each UK Education Abroad advisor has expertise in specific majors and geographic regions. Check the website and make an appointment with the advisor who is an expert on the programs in which you are interested.

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When should I study abroad?

Most UK students study abroad during their sophomore or junior years. However, there are programs available for freshmen and senior students as well.

Another important decision to make is what time of year to study abroad. Programs are available for the academic year, the Fall and Spring semesters, Winter Intersession, and the Summer sessions. It is also possible to take a spring-embedded course, which is a class taught at UK with an international component during spring break or early summer.

Because many foreign institutions follow different academic calendars, it is important for students to consider the specific dates of the program far in advance. For example, many "fall" semester programs in the Southern Hemisphere may run from July to November and from February to June during the American spring semester.

Similarly, it may be difficult for students to study at some European institutions for the fall semester. Final exams may be scheduled in early January, and many programs do not make allowances for US students. Please be sure you consider this issue in advance.

Many students choose to study abroad during the Summer or Winter sessions. There are two summer sessions available: Summer I and Summer II. Summer I programs typically occur during May and early June, while Summer II programs tend to start late in the summer and end in late July or early August. The Winter Intersession occurs between the fall and spring semesters.