

Education Abroad Checklist

PERSONAL INFORMATION	
First Name:	
Last Name	
UHCL ID#	Level at UHCL
Cell #	
Social Media Handle(s)	
Physical Address:	Street _____
	City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Study Abroad Country or Countries:	
Name of UHCL Program or Program Provider	

CHECKLIST	TIMELINE
<input type="checkbox"/> Plan Early! Attend Education Abroad 101 Information Session. Plan Early!	Learn about various study abroad programs, financial aid, and application process
<input type="checkbox"/> Search and apply for Education Abroad Programs Online via our Educationists abroad web-page (https://ea.uhcl.edu/) Submit application at least 2-3 semesters prior to the program start.	At least 1 year to 6 months in advance
<input type="checkbox"/> For partner provider and exchange programs, apply for the program through their required application (two applications are required for program provider and exchange programs).	Upon immediate submission of UHCL Education Abroad Application
<input type="checkbox"/> Research your degree plan and find the program and courses you would like to take.	Upon identifying desired education abroad programs
<input type="checkbox"/> Contact your academic adviser or College to get your courses reviewed, approved, and make sure your cours(es) will transfer back to UHCL. Submit an Course Approval Form .	Upon immediate submission of UHCL Education Abroad application and partner provider/exchange program application
<input type="checkbox"/> Obtain admission to the education abroad program.	Once you receive the admission letter, forward it to Education Abroad
<input type="checkbox"/> Apply for International Education Fund Award scholarship.	Check the deadlines
<input type="checkbox"/> Apply for external scholarships and grants .	Boren Awards, Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship, etc.
<input type="checkbox"/> Apply for a passport and visa (if required). Submit a copy of passport biographical page to Education Abroad.	Upload a copy to upon immediate possession of passport to our Education Abroad Terradotta to complete your application. Apply for visa 3-5 months in advance.
<input type="checkbox"/> Read all the emergency guidelines and resources from U.S. Department of State. Register for State Departments STEP Program .	Prior to departure

<input type="checkbox"/>	Purchase airline ticket (if applicable).	Upon admission into the program
Pre-Departure		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Attend a mandatory Education Abroad pre-departure orientation .	1-2 months prior to departure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Visit your primary care physician regarding travel and advisement for medications and overall health.	1-3 months prior to departure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Research local culture and customs.	1-3 months prior to departure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Contact banks and credit card companies notifying them that you will be traveling outside of the U.S.	1 month prior to departure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Make a copy of your passport biographical page and email yourself along with your emergency contact a copy of your passport.	Prior to departure

In Country & Upon Return to UHCL		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete a course approval form and have signed approval by your academic advisor and college dean. All course changes must be approved in writing by your advisor and college dean. Failure to obtain approval may result in loss of financial aid and course transfer.	Before your education abroad classes begin
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ensure you update Education Abroad, family, and friends with your in-country contact information – educationabroad@uhcl.edu .	Upon arrival
<input type="checkbox"/>	Upon completion of cours(es) have your transcript mailed directly to: University of Houston–Clear Lake C/O Education Abroad Box 225 2700 Bay Area Blvd. Houston, TX 77058-1002 281.283.2740	Upon program completion, confirm the mailing of your transcript. Confirm receipt of your grades/transcript by checking your UHCL transcript. Please note that some institutions can take up to four months to send official grades and transcripts.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get involved and showcase your Education Abroad experience upon return to UHCL	At UHCL

Frequently Asked Questions

Who can study abroad?

Any student can study abroad. Most programs have a GPA requirement (2.5 or higher).

Will financial aid apply towards my tuition abroad?

It may, as you are remaining enrolled at UHCL (upon course transfer approval). Tons of scholarships and grants are also available. Contact [Financial Aid](#) if you have any questions.

What if I only speak English?

No problem! You can study in an English-speaking country or, if you would like to study in a non-English speaking country, you can take classes to improve your skills. Some programs also offer intense language classes to help you while abroad.

Where can I study?

There are programs all over the world. Pick any country, and you will probably find a program suited for you to study there by searching for programs [here](#) or <http://https://ea.uhcl.edu>