

# TYPES OF STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

## **Exchange Programs**

Reciprocal agreements between ASU and an international institution provide for an equal exchange of students (i.e. we can only send as many as we receive). In an Exchange Program, ASU students pay ASU tuition, are assigned ASU course equivalencies for the work they do abroad, and the grades earned are factored into their ASU GPAs. Participants will be responsible for paying for flights, housing, books, food, travel, etc. in addition to their regular ASU tuition. Students will most likely be in regular university classes with students from the host country, and not in special classes designed for foreigners. Proficiency in the host language may be required. Programs are available for all majors, though some may be restricted to a specific department or school. Students should refer to specific program information for details.

## **Faculty Directed Programs**

Faculty Directed programs are study abroad programs led by an ASU faculty member. In a Faculty Directed program, students pay tuition for their courses according to their classification and degree level. Students also pay a program fee which generally includes accommodations, meals, local transportation, program related excursions, airfare, and other expenses. Each program focuses on a certain academic discipline with students earning direct ASU course credit, and incorporates excursions and field trips to give students the opportunity to explore and learn about their host country. These programs are primarily offered in the summer and winter sessions.

## **Partnership Programs**

Partnership Programs are offered by foreign universities, or study abroad organizations, that have an official agreement with ASU. As opposed to Exchange and Faculty Directed Programs, participants in an ASU Partnership Program DO NOT pay ASU tuition. Instead they pay a program fee, which includes tuition and MAY include additional features like accommodation, meals, dedicated on-site staff, in-country orientations, airport pick-up, insurance, overnight excursions, and local field trips as part of a comprehensive program package. Students participating in partnership programs may be taking courses with students from the host country, or only with other American or international students. Compare program details and costs carefully because not all programs include the same features. In Partnership Programs, ASU students are assigned ASU course equivalencies for the work they do abroad, and the grades earned are factored into their ASU GPAs.

## **Internship Programs**

ASU students interested in completing an internship overseas can do so by participating in an ASU Internship Program abroad. Participants can earn ASU credit by participating in these programs. Similar to ASU Partnership Programs, participants DO NOT pay ASU tuition. Instead they pay a program fee, which includes tuition and MAY include additional perks like housing and some excursions. Most programs require participants to take courses in addition to the internship.