



Independent Study Abroad Credit Transfer Information

Students must first review all of the approved study abroad programs offered through the Office of International Affairs (OIA) before pursuing an independent education abroad experience.

If you have reviewed those options and still need to pursue an independent experience, please continue.

More information can be found at <https://oia.osu.edu/getting-started/ways-to-go-abroad.html>

Please Note

- The student is responsible for providing the Transfer Credit Center with complete and accurate information about the program and institution of study. Failure to provide sufficient information may result in processing delays.
- The Transfer Credit Center will determine transferability of the courses listed on the Transfer Form. Students are responsible for consulting with their OSU advisor to determine applicability of the credit and, if necessary, initiating Departmental Credit Evaluations from the appropriate department in order to determine equivalency.
- Credit earned through independent programs is awarded “K” credit – not native OSU course credit – and does not impact your OSU GPA. However, you must earn at least a C- for credit to be awarded.
- Upon completion of the study abroad term, the student must send an official transcript from the registrar (or similar designee) of the institution of higher education. If the school offers secured electronic delivery, that option should be selected to avoid processing delays. Secured transcripts should be sent directly to esue-studugt@osu.edu (for undergraduate students) and gpadocs@osu.edu (for graduate and professional students). If electronic delivery is unavailable, transcripts should only be mailed to the following addresses:

Undergraduate Students:

The Ohio State University
Undergraduate Admissions
PO Box 182646
Columbus, OH 43218-2646

Graduate/Professional Students:

The Ohio State University
Graduate/Professional Admissions
PO Box 182004
Columbus, OH 43218-2004

Express Mail:

The Ohio State University
Undergraduate Admissions
Student Academic Services Building, Room 604
281 W Lane Ave
Columbus, OH 43218-2004

Certificates of completion or other documents issued by a third party provider or an office other than the institution’s registrar (or similar designee) will not be accepted for transfer credit.

If you have further questions regarding Independent Study Abroad, please contact the Office of International Affairs, oia-educationabroad@osu.edu or the Office of the University Registrar’s Transfer Credit Center, ESUE-TransferCreditCenter@osu.edu.