



Education Abroad in ANTHROPOLOGY

Benefits of International Experience

For students in anthropology, an international experience can be an integral component to the discipline and their studies at U.Va. Education abroad can further provide students with the skills and intercultural competence that is becoming invaluable in our increasingly multicultural and interconnected world. Upon return from studying abroad, many students report that they are equipped with greater language proficiency, deeper knowledge and understanding of various cultures, as well as a broader, more global perspective that is often valued by employers.

There is a wide range of opportunities available for coursework abroad in anthropology. Students can integrate a semester, year, summer, or January-term program into their academic plan, earning both major credit and general elective credit toward their U.Va. degree.

Student Testimonial

"My time in Nepal was absolutely incredible and nothing short of the adventure of a lifetime. The stunning landscapes, friendly locals, and sheer weightless joy of traveling—all amounted to an experience I won't soon forget. As an anthropology major, my excursions abroad were further contextualized within a broader cultural framework. I was privileged with the tremendous opportunity to apply the abstract, theoretical knowledge gained in the classroom to a more concrete, real global setting." -*Helena Groves, Anthropology and American Studies major: SIT in Nepal*



Academic and Timing Considerations

The Department of Anthropology encourages students to take advantage of coursework offered abroad. Depending on the program you enroll in, you may receive either direct or transfer credit for the courses you complete abroad. Please note that some of the programs on this list have a language requirement. All students wishing to study abroad must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher, depending on the program you choose.

Up to six credits from abroad may be counted toward the anthropology major. The department will allow one course (three credits) to be counted toward the anthropology minor. To obtain course approvals for major or minor credit, you need to meet with the director of undergraduate studies in anthropology prior to committing to a program. Please note that ANTH 3010, ANTH 3020, or ANTH 4591 may not be substituted by courses taken abroad.

Planning ahead is key to finding a program that meets your academic and personal goals. The Department of Anthropology and the International Studies Office recommend planning for your international experience as early as first year, and encourage you to meet with an education abroad advisor, as well as your academic advisor.

Steps to go abroad

- Get a passport
- Complete the online Education Abroad Workshop
- Talk with your department about timing and course requirements
- Meet with an ISO education abroad advisor and explore opportunities
- Learn about funding resources (financial aid, scholarships)
- Research programs and apply online
- Participate in cross-cultural seminars (CORE)

For anthropology major or minor course approvals, contact:
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For more information on program options, make an appointment online with an education abroad advisor according to your country or region of interest.

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Interested in other disciplines?
Explore additional major advising sheets online at
educationabroad.virginia.edu/your-major

International Opportunities in Anthropology

This list is a starting point; you are *not* limited to these options.

Africa

- **Senegal**, University of Minnesota: Studies in International Development*
- **Madagascar**, School for International Training: Urbanization and Rural Development§



Asia

- **Bhutan**, UVA in Bhutan: Himalayan Experiential Encounters§
- **China**, IES Abroad: Contemporary China & Chinese Language
- **Hong Kong**, UVA Exchange: University of Hong Kong
- **India**, Alliance for Global Education: Contemporary India*§
- **India**, Alliance for Global Education: Summer in Pune*§
- **India**, UVA in India*§
- **Indonesia**, School for International Training: Arts, Religion and Social Change§
- **Japan**, CIEE: Tokyo

Europe

- **Greece**, College Year in Athens§
- **Netherlands**, UVA Exchange: University of Amsterdam
- **Spain**, UVA in Valencia

*Internship available

§Fieldwork/field study available

- **United Kingdom**, IFSA-Butler: Queen's University Belfast§
- **United Kingdom**, Mansfield College, University of Oxford
- **United Kingdom**, UVA Exchange: University of Edinburgh§
- **United Kingdom**, UVA Exchange: University of Nottingham§

Latin America

- **Argentina**, IES Abroad: Buenos Aires
- **Chile**, Arcadia: Valparaiso Summer
- **Chile**, School for International Training: Cultural Identity, Social Justice, and Community Development§
- **Costa Rica**, IFSA-Butler: Universidad Nacional in Heredia
- **Peru**, IFSA-Butler: Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú in Lima§

Oceania

- **Australia**, The Education Abroad Network: Monash University
- **Australia**, UVA Exchange: University of Queensland
- **New Zealand**, UVA Exchange: University of Auckland§

Multiple

- **Semester at Sea**§

