EDUCATION ABROAD IN CHEMISTRY

WHAT'S NEXT?

• Complete the online Education Abroad workshop
• To discuss program options, make an appointment online with an education abroad advisor according to your country or region of interest.

BENEFITS OF AN INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

For students in Chemistry, an international experience can be an integral component to the discipline. With the growth of international trade and globalization, it is critical for students to gain international experience and develop intercultural skills, such as cross-cultural communication, critical thinking, empathy, and tolerance for ambiguity. You are able to develop professional skills in a multicultural setting, as well as deepen your knowledge of other countries and cultures. This can better prepare you to interact with people from backgrounds different from your own. Students with international experience and global perspective often are most valued by employers.

ACADEMIC & TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

Depending on the program you enroll in, you may receive either direct or transfer credit for the courses you complete abroad. All students wishing to study abroad must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher, depending on the program. Planning ahead is key to finding a program that meets your academic and personal goals. The Chemistry program 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.

Previous Chemistry students have found the fall of third year as the best term to study abroad. The spring of second year may be an option for some students. Summer and January term programs are also available. Remember that courses must be preapproved by the DUP to fulfill CHEM major requirements.

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

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International Opportunities in Chemistry

This is just a starting point and you are not limited to these options.

Asia
- China, UVA Exchange: Fudan University
- Singapore, UVA Exchange: National University of Singapore

Europe
- Ireland, UVA Exchange: University College Dublin
- Ireland, IES: Ireland: Dublin: Trinity College Dublin
- Spain, UVA in Valencia: Pre-Health
- Spain, St. Louis University in Madrid
- United Kingdom, UVA Exchange: University of Bath
- United Kingdom, UVA Exchange: University of Edinburgh
- United Kingdom, UVA in St. Andrews: Science for Health Professions

Oceania
- Australia, IES: Australia: Sydney: University of Sydney
- Australia, TEAN: Australia: Sydney: University of Technology Sydney (UTS)

STUDENT TESTIMONIAL

“Chile was the best study abroad experience I could have asked for. I learned about and worked in the fascinating health system of Chile during the week and then traveled to amazing places during the weekend... The knowledge that I gained in Chile has changed the way I view public health and has allowed me to understand that there is no one correct way to do anything in health care. This awareness has been beneficial in a field that constantly changes every day and I know will keep influencing my life in the health profession for years to come.”

-Sarah Elkin, CHEM major