THE PROGRAM
Currently, 48% of Gonzaga students study abroad, compared with about 9% of American college students nationally. Gonzaga ranks in the top 20 Master’s colleges and universities nationally for the number of students who study abroad.

Students who study abroad can maintain their academic progress with advance planning. In addition to classroom academic experiences abroad, Gonzaga study abroad programs offer internships, research, and service-learning opportunities. We encourage students to explore the variety of countries available for studies, internships, research, and volunteering by visiting the Gonzaga Study Abroad website: studyabroad.gonzaga.edu.

The programs differ in admission requirements, location, course offerings, emphasis on language proficiency, and housing arrangements. Students work with the Study Abroad Office and their advisor early in their college career to select programs appropriate to their personal interests and major.

Studying abroad can be as affordable as studying in Spokane. Students who participate in Gonzaga-sponsored study abroad programs are allowed to take their Gonzaga scholarships and aid abroad with them. The Study Abroad Office also helps students find additional scholarship opportunities to specifically help fund a study abroad experience.

GONZAGA-IN-FLORENCE
In 1963, Gonzaga developed a program in Florence, Italy, which was designed to immerse students in both Italian and European life and culture. Gonzaga chose Florence because the city is central to Italy’s past and to European civilization itself. Her intensely loyal citizenry produced the people and ideas that served as models for a Europe in transition from the medieval to the modern. Florentine museums are brimming with paintings that transformed European taste in the 15th century. Her streets are lined with buildings that initiated modern architecture. And yet, the city is more than a museum piece. It is intensely alive—a center of modern art, fashion, and refinement.

Gonzaga-in-Florence offers programs for students across a multitude of areas of study, including business, engineering, and education. Students can opt to study in Florence for the entire academic year, a semester, or a summer session, and instruction is in English. Previous study in Italian is not required for admission but is strongly encouraged. With the exception of engineering majors, all students who did not take Italian prior to acceptance into the program are required to take the language while in Florence. Composed of professors from both Gonzaga and Italian universities, the Florence faculty represents a diversity of subject areas and cultural experiences. Junior-standing (except for students in the engineering and teacher education tracks) and a minimum GPA of 2.8 is required for admission. Gonzaga business students must be admitted to the School of Business Administration prior to acceptance.

The program is located in the heart of Florence, not far from the Cathedral of Santa Maria del Fiore. Students live in nearby hotels, called pensioni, operated by Italian families, or may choose a homestay.

Gonzaga students have the opportunity to pursue scholarships specifically for the Gonzaga-in-Florence program. Interested students are encouraged to inquire about these scholarships in the Study Abroad Office during their sophomore year.

GONZAGA-IN-PARIS
Long considered the paragon of style, Paris is perhaps the most glamorous city in Europe. The city’s reputation as a magnet for writers, artists and dissidents lives on, and it remains at the forefront of Western intellectual, artistic, and literary life. The most tangible and immediate pleasures of Paris are found in its street life and along the banks and bridges of the River Seine. Cafés, bars, and restaurants line every street and boulevard, and the city’s compactness makes it possible to experience the individual feel of the different quarters.

Gonzaga-in-Paris is a year- or semester-long program for students who want to attain advanced proficiency in French language and a deeper understanding of French culture. The Gonzaga-in-Paris program, designed for juniors with a background in French (three semesters or the equivalent), offers complete immersion in the French culture and language with the

THE PASSION
Study abroad is a critical component of students’ international education and is important in today’s global society. Study abroad is not just about a cultural immersion experience—it is also a résumé-building opportunity. Many students find studying abroad to be a life-changing experience. It broadens their perspective about their place in the world and becomes one of the highlights of their time at Gonzaga.
specific goal of achieving fluency. Students walk away with immeasurable personal growth, self-confidence, and the satisfaction that comes with having mastered a language and a culture.

Students take up to 15 credits at L’Institut Catholique or La Sorbonne. Courses include French language and civilization, art, music, and more. The program maximizes interaction between students and the French people and culture. The program is challenging, but students receive continuous, personalized support from the director in Paris and the director in Spokane.

**FACULTY-LED PROGRAMS**

Gonzaga faculty-led study abroad programs for students range from 2-10 weeks during the summer or winter sessions. Faculty-led programs are particularly beneficial to first-time travelers as they tend to be the most structured programs and offer a wide variety of Gonzaga classes. These programs typically offer credit for one or two courses per program.

**SPONSORED PROGRAMS**

Students who participate in sponsored programs take courses from the university or institute associated with that program. Gonzaga has approved all sponsored programs for academic rigor, safety, security, housing, and meals to determine if they meet Gonzaga standards. Sponsored programs charge a program fee, which includes housing, some or all meals, transportation in the host country, and books. Students are typically responsible for airfare and miscellaneous spending.

**EXCHANGE PROGRAMS**

An exchange program enables Gonzaga students to enroll directly into a foreign university for a semester or year at the same cost as the student would be paying at Gonzaga. This option provides the best opportunity for authentic cultural immersion. Students enroll in the host university’s courses as regular students and usually take their classes in the native language. In recent years, many universities around the world have added courses in English for the benefit of their students, so this may be possible depending on where a student chooses to study.

**PLANNING**

Students are encouraged to start planning for studying abroad at the beginning of their freshman year. Course lists for each Gonzaga program are available in the Study Abroad Office, so students can plan schedules around their potential term overseas. Specific information and requirements for each program are available in the Study Abroad Office and online: studyabroad.gonzaga.edu.

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**GU STUDY ABROAD LOCATIONS**

- **Africa**
  - Benin
  - Ghana
  - Kenya
  - South Africa
  - Tanzania
  - Zambia

- **Europe**
  - Austria
  - Belgium
  - Denmark
  - England
  - Finland
  - France
  - Germany
  - Ireland
  - Italy
  - Northern Ireland
  - Netherlands
  - Scotland
  - Spain
  - Sweden
  - Switzerland

- **Asia**
  - China
  - India
  - Japan
  - Thailand
  - Taiwan

- **Latin America**
  - Argentina
  - Brazil
  - Chile
  - Colombia
  - Costa Rica
  - Ecuador
  - El Salvador
  - Mexico
  - Panama

- **Middle East**
  - Jordan
  - Turkey

- **Oceania**
  - Australia
  - New Zealand

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**THE PEOPLE**

Gonzaga’s Study Abroad Office regularly updates materials on sponsored programs. In addition, the office provides orientation and support services to students going overseas. Many professors assist students in choosing one of Gonzaga’s study abroad programs. Students are encouraged to solicit these professors’ input in conjunction with the advice of the Study Abroad Office. For more information about Gonzaga’s study abroad opportunities, please visit studyabroad.gonzaga.edu or contact the Study Abroad Office at studyabroad@gonzaga.edu or 509-313-3549.