Study Abroad Programs Guide

Why study Sociology abroad?
To compete in an ever-globalizing, competitive job market, no college education is complete without the skills and experiences that studying abroad can offer. International education and experiences bring academic variety and challenges, personal growth, and professional and networking opportunities to the table.

Getting started:
1. Explore programs at global.utulsa.edu
2. Attend a Study Abroad 101 Session (times and locations at global.utulsa.edu)
3. Visit with a Peer Advisor in Hardesty Hall if you have any questions
4. Start applying to both the CGE and Host Program

Semester Core Programs
- IES Cape Town, South Africa
- CIEE Cape Town, South Africa
- University of Auckland, New Zealand
- ISA Kingston, England
- IES Buenos Aires, Argentina
- University of Leicester, England
- Univ. New South Wales, Australia
- ISA Madrid, Spain

Summer Core Programs
- CIEE Beijing, China

Semester Sociology Programs
- CIEE Beijing, China
- SIT: Media | Arts Social Change
- SIT: Peace Human Rights Social Movement
- SIT: Development Economy Inequality
- SIT: Migration Identity Resilience
- SIT: Climate Environment
- SIT Programs

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Guidelines for Sociology Majors Studying Abroad
- The sociology department will accept up to 6 credit hours abroad toward the major at TU.*
- The sociology department requires that majors studying abroad take the core sociology courses (1033, 2023, 4113, 4123, 4193) at TU. This does not prohibit a student from taking a research course abroad because research courses abroad will likely differ from ours. Students who take research courses abroad will still be required to take our core research courses at TU.
- The sociology department encourages majors who are studying abroad to take courses that are not offered at TU, for example, courses on society, culture, and institutions in the country where they are studying.
- Majors who are studying abroad can also take for credit toward the major upper-level substantive courses, even if the sociology department has an equivalent course. If a student takes a substantive course abroad that is equivalent to a course offered in our curriculum (e.g., Sociology of Education or Sociology of Poverty), they will not be able to take the same course at TU.
- The sociology department needs to approve courses that will be taken abroad. When seeking approval, students should show the course syllabi to their sociology faculty adviser.

Guidelines for Sociology Minors Studying Abroad
- The sociology department will accept up to 6 credit hours abroad toward the minor at TU.
- Because the sociology minor is only 12 hours and does not include “core courses” (except that Soc 1033 is required for most of our upper-level courses), the sociology department does not restrict the courses that sociology minors can take while abroad. However, if a sociology minor takes a course abroad that is equivalent to a course offered in our curriculum (e.g., Sociological Imagination, Sociology of Education, or Sociology of Poverty), they will not be able to take the same course at TU.

*Sociology majors who take sociology courses abroad for credit toward the major should keep in mind that TU allows no more than 39 credit hours in the major. (Sometimes students who have earned 6 credit hours toward the major while studying abroad have approached the 39 hour limit more quickly than they realized once they returned from abroad.) However, if a student graduates from TU with more than 124 hours, the student may earn additional hours in the major over the limit of 39 to the extent that those additional hours are over the 124 minimum needed to graduate.