Study abroad opportunities
Studying abroad as part of your Nottingham degree

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Studying abroad – why, what and where

Why study abroad?
Those who have chosen to study abroad often say that their time abroad was the highlight of their time as a student. Studying abroad will help you to:

• add something unusual to your CV and make yourself more attractive to potential employers
• expand your horizons and develop as a person
• meet new people and make new friends from across the world (which can often mean forming lifelong friendships!)
• improve your language skills and discover a new culture
• make contacts that might help you in the future

The University of Nottingham has one of the biggest and most diverse study abroad programmes in the UK. Each year more than 20% of our undergraduate students spend time overseas studying or working as part of their undergraduate degree.

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What can I do?
We offer literally hundreds of opportunities, which range from summer schools to year-long campus exchanges. These include:

A compulsory year abroad as part of your course. Degrees which require you to spend time studying abroad include language courses, four-year courses in the Department of American and Canadian Studies and four-year biosciences courses with a Certificate in European Studies.

An optional semester or year abroad at our campuses in China or Malaysia, at a European university through the Erasmus scheme or at one of our international partner universities. We currently have opportunities in Australia, Canada, Hong Kong, Singapore and the USA.

Summer schools and short-term programmes
In 2014, over 100 students participated in summer programmes across Europe and in Australia, China, South Korea and at our international campuses.

Where can I go?
For more information on current destinations and options within degree paths, visit our website: www.nottingham.ac.uk/studyabroad
“I was fortunate enough to spend the third year of my chemistry degree at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia. I believed that travelling abroad to study would have an everlasting impact on the rest of my life, allowing me to adapt to new situations and become highly independent and confident.

Australia really is an amazing place to visit, and being selected to study abroad meant that I had the best excuse to move out there for a year of my life. I made some lifelong friends and visited some of the world’s most spectacular sites. Studying in Melbourne not only allowed me to excel in my academic studies, but also, employers love candidates who have that little bit extra above the standard cohort of applicants.

Studying abroad has opened my eyes to a new culture and way of life, but it has also allowed me to progress through my degree and succeed in graduate interviews. To anyone considering studying abroad, I’d say it’s an opportunity not to miss out on.”

Robert Smith
MSci Chemistry with an International Study Year
Spent a year studying in Melbourne as part of his chemistry degree

“Living abroad and my time at university enabled me to seriously question who I am and what I value. That gave me a sense of purpose and drive that I have no doubt would have helped me, not just in interview processes; but also to choose which companies I wanted to apply to in the first place.

The University supports you enough for you to be safe, happy and to complete the year abroad. They strike the delicate balance between ensuring you are safe and supported while allowing you the space and freedom to tailor the experience to your own learning needs. This teaches you independence within the safer, university-supported framework. It’s a great intermediary step between being a school pupil and an independent, working adult. I feel particularly confident to live and move abroad now as a working professional because of the balance support the University provided.

To this day, I’m great friends with people I met on my year abroad.”

Rob McGinty
BA English and Russian
Spent a year in Moscow as part of his English and Russian studies degree
One of the most common concerns about studying abroad is the cost of going away. At Nottingham, we are working hard to ensure that study abroad is affordable for everyone.

Many students find that day-to-day life overseas is no more expensive than staying in Nottingham – in fact, in some cases it can be cheaper – but budgeting your money well and knowing the financial facts are key to enjoying all that the time abroad can offer.

**Reduced tuition fees**
All students on a study abroad programme pay reduced tuition fees to Nottingham and no fees to the host university/campus. If you are a home/EU student this could reduce your fee to Nottingham to only £1,350 for a full year spent abroad, and for international students, your fee will be reduced by up to 50%.

**Bursary entitlement**
If you receive a University bursary or scholarship when studying in the UK, and your circumstances do not change, you will be entitled to the same level of bursary when you are studying abroad.

**Erasmus grants**
Scholarships are available for all students undertaking a minimum study or work period of three months under the Erasmus European exchange programme. In 2014-15, this is expected to equate to at least €350 a month.

**International scholarships**
To support students in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, the University and BP are offering 10 scholarships worth £3,500 each for students from our UK campus who study for a year at our campuses in China or Malaysia during the 2014-15 academic year.

To support students studying at an approved Latin American university as part of their Nottingham degree, Santander are offering 15 scholarships worth £1,000 each for students from our UK campus during the 2014-15 academic year.

The University of Nottingham has made every effort to ensure that the information in this leaflet was accurate when published. Please note, however, that the nature of the content means that it is subject to change from time to time, and you should therefore consider the information to be guiding rather than definitive.

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**Costs**

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