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Advising Process for Fourth Year

Interior Architecture Off Campus Required Options

Our students’ design and planning studies are enriched by frequent interaction with the world outside Seaton/Regnier Hall. Many participate in an education abroad experience or complete an internship. Other students choose to study urban issues at the Kansas City Design Center. All Interior Architecture students after finishing their third-year must complete one or more of the following:

- Education Abroad
- Internship
- Kansas City Design Center (KCDC)
- Off-Campus Studio
- On-Campus

Please refer to your curriculum guide and academic advisor as you consider your future off campus academic plans and what is required by your particular discipline. Materials may be found on the APDesign Website, under “Current Students” “Off-Campus Activities”:
https://apdesign.k-state.edu/current-students/off-campus-study/index.html

### Interior Architecture Students

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Have additional Questions?

- Please reach out to your Academic Advisor.
- For Education Abroad Questions, please reach out to APDesign’s Director of International Programs Katrina Lewis and Education Abroad Advisor Katelin Christianer-Donkers.
- For KCDC Questions, please reach out to KCDC’s Academic Programs Director Vladimir Krstic.
- For Internship Questions, please reach out to Professor Vibha Jani.
2023-2024 Education Abroad Options for IA Students

Why Education Abroad?

- **Academic challenge**—considerable variation of studio and lecture or seminar classes.
- **Professional growth**—experience places seen in history classes to gain inspiration of ancient and modern designs to strengthen design skills.
- **Personal enrichment**—knowledge of self and foster independence.
- Opportunity to appreciate and learn about other cultures and people.
- Broaden perspective of the US and its role in the world.
- **Once in a lifetime experience** while a student, you are accepted as a student in a manner that is not found when you are traveling as a tourist or businessperson.
- Opportunity to spend an extended period of time and have an *in-depth experience* that is not possible in other circumstances.
Education Abroad Challenges

- Language of instruction may not be English but language proficiency is not required.
- Start and end dates of the semester may not be published and may be more fluid.
- Minimal interaction with professors.
- Hierarchical relationship within the university and with professors.
- Homesickness and culture shock.
- If you elect to study at a foreign university, you must be prepared to accept the challenges with the opportunities.
- K-State and APDesign have excellent relationships with our partners but we do not influence their policies or procedures.
### Anticipated Opportunities for Education Abroad – 2023-2024

All programs, except Italy, are administered by K-State Education Abroad in the Office of International Programs.  

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**Exchange** = tuition paid to K-State  
**Direct Enroll** = tuition paid to that institution

* Requires response to pre-endorsement questions  
**for fall semester only  
***for spring semester only  
****for fall OR spring semester

Minimum GPA for all Exchange and Direct Enroll programs is 3.0

Alternative Education Abroad experiences must be approved by your department. Endorsement by ISC does **NOT** guarantee admission by the partner institution.  

ALL Education Abroad experiences must receive endorsement from the APDesign International Studies Committee.  

Program availability and number of participants is subject to change.
APDesign Italian Studies Program
Orvieto, Italy

- IA Students for Spring
- Min. GPA 2.50 (approximately 30 student for Spring for all disciplines)
- Language of instruction is English.
  - Studio and classes taught by K-State and Italian professors.
  - Studio meets two days per week.
  - Projects focus on issues/concerns pertaining to the local community.
  - Field trips are related to studio and history course.
- Housing in apartments in Orvieto.
- Need to be motivated and flexible.
• IA Students for Spring

• Min. GPA 3.00 (max. of 3 students)

• Language of instruction is German.
  • Students take an interior design studio.
  • Studio meets one day per week.
    • Planned field trip to Milan.

• There is an international student center and a helpful German class.

• Student housing is not close to the school.

• Need to have confidence and language proficiency.
Trier University of Applied Sciences
Trier, Germany

- IA Students for Spring
- Min. GPA 3.00 (max. of 3 students)
- Language of Instruction is German.
- Not a great deal of organization at any level.
  - Studio meets one day per week.
  - Very flexible and less organized.
  - Professors are relaxed and helpful.
  - Ability to communicate in English varies from professor to professor.
- International student housing is recommended, but you must be organized to access housing.
- Travel opportunities provided by the school.
- Need to be flexible and self-directed and have language proficiency.
• IA Students for Spring

• Min. GPA 3.00 (max. of 6 students for all disciplines)
  • 2-4 weeks to decide which studio to take.
  • Studio meets one day per week.
  • Each professor’s command of English will vary.
  • Projects will range from very conceptual to very realistic (may include structural calculations, for example).
  • Some lectures are very good and will include opportunities to learn more about Prague.

• Very good support for international students; have an International Student Club.
• International group provides travel opportunities.

• Housing in international residence hall, which has good proximity to the architecture building.

• Need to be self-disciplined.
Danish Institute for Study Abroad (DIS)
Copenhagen, Denmark

• IA Students for Spring

• Min. GPA 3.00 (max. of 5 students for all disciplines)
  • Studio professors are distinguished practicing Danish designers.
  • Studio meets three days a week.
  • Students work in studio.
  • Field trips are related to studio and well planned.

• Offers highly organized orientation.

• Very good support for international students.

• Good assistance with housing.

• Need to be inquisitive, motivated, and hard-working.
- Education Abroad options during Spring semester must include an approved studio experience.

- Summer education abroad is not required to include a studio experience. Options are subject to change based on enrollment and availability.
Summer, Fall, and Spring

There are Office of International Program (OIP) Scholarships available to all students participating in education abroad.

- Complete the university scholarship application to be considered.

- For more information visit http://apdesign.k-state.edu/current-students/activities/
Alternative Education Abroad Program

- Research potential programs.
- Talk to Katelin Christianer-Donkers, your Education Abroad Advisor, regarding program availability, use of financial aid, etc.
- Obtain “Guidelines for Petitioning for an Alternate Education Abroad Program” available online.
- Department faculty must approve program and proposed program of study.
Education Abroad Questions

- See your Academic Advisor.
- See your Education Abroad Advisor Katelin Christianer-Donkers.
- Talk to a member of the International Studies Committee:
  Jessica Canfield, LA Rep.
  Huston Gibson, RCP Rep.
  Katrina Lewis, Chair
  Byungsoo Kim, IAID Rep.
  Adriana Molina, ARCH Rep.
Internship

Why Internships?

- Introduction to the professional world.
- Establish contacts with other professionals.
- Gain entrée to a firm through the internship experience.
- Gain real-world work experience prior to graduation.
- Acquire a better understanding of a work-related culture.
- Have an opportunity to assess a firm in a “safe” circumstance.
- Have an opportunity to test living in a new place.
KCDC

Why KCDC?

- Be part of a unique learning laboratory located in the downtown Kansas City that provides students to fully immerse themselves in on-site project studies.

- Actively explore current urban design issues facing Kansas City’s future development.

- Learn in an interdisciplinary urban design studio that forms partnerships with local client groups, community members and professional firms.

- Develop design visions and proposals addressing major architectural, urban design and urban planning issues throughout metropolitan Kansas City.

- Participate in critical dialogues about architecture, planning and design issues with public agencies and local community organizations.
What we do:

Who we are:

Questions & Answers