

Study Abroad Planning Tool for Jazz Majors

OVERVIEW

With careful planning, it may be possible to take classes abroad to fulfill major requirements and/or elective units.

FRESHMEN & SOPHOMORE YEAR
EXPLORE & APPLY

- Complete Theory Sequence (MUCO 133ab, 131ab)
- Complete Aural Skills Sequence (MUCO 132ab, 232ab)
- Complete Jazz Elements (MUJZ 195)
- Complete MUHL 250 Music and Ideas and MUSC 496 Careers in Music (Sophomore year).

JUNIOR YEAR
STUDY ABROAD: fall or spring

- Best time to participate in a semester exchange!
- Discuss with Faculty & Thornton Academic Advisor how to complete Jazz performance classes and ensemble requirements.
- As an upperclassman, discuss with your faculty your aspirations as a performer. Consider exploring Host Institution faculty to develop your international professional network.

SENIOR YEAR
STUDY ABROAD: fall only

- Last chance to participate in a semester exchange!
- Complete Thornton Exchange Evaluation Form
- Verify that all courses were transferred over
- Complete SENIOR RECITAL

YOUR NEXT STEPS

EXPLORE
Research Your Options
10-14 months prior to departure

- Attend Thornton International Programs Information Session
- Research Program Options for your major
- Confirm if there is a language requirement needed to study at Host Institution (i.e., French, Norwegian, Swedish, or Finnish).
- For questions on how to find courses abroad, contact International Programs Coordinator, music.intl@usc.edu.

APPLY
Gather & Upload Forms
9-12 months prior to deadline

- Speak with Thornton International Programs Coordinator
- Complete Study Abroad Planning Tool
- Apply, or renew, your passport

When to Apply:

- Apply spring of sophomore, or junior, year to Thornton's Exchange Application:
 - Opens: November 15
 - Deadline: January 22
- Submit your Exchange Application on EASY by host institution's unique deadline

PREPARE & REGISTER
Finalize Plans Abroad
6-9 months prior to departure

- Complete Pre-Departure requirements
- Plan a budget
- Apply for study abroad scholarships

Complete the following the semester before your departure:

- Get you Academic Learning Agreement approved
- Register to appropriate section for USC 300 Overseas Block Enrollment
- Confirmed USC Financial Aid Package for semester abroad

Course Planning Tool

Student Name: _____
 Term Abroad: Fall Spring
 Current GPA: _____

Major/Emphasis: _____
 Host Institution: _____
 Academic Advisor: _____

This form is meant to help you familiarize yourself with the courses available in your chosen study abroad program and to help you understand the important considerations relating to your course choices. This is not course registration and does not guarantee any course's availability or approval for credit. Retain a copy of this form and all class materials until your courses have successfully been posted to your transcript.

| Course Number/Title at Host Institution | Type of Degree Requirement Anticipated <i>(Major or Elective Credit)</i> | Credits Abroad | USC Credits | Thornton Course Number / Equivalency | Notes |
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| Alternative Courses: <i>Note: It is important to identify alternate choices in case first choice courses are unavailable upon arrival/registration</i> | | | | | |
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Important Notes:
 Final courses approved by Thornton Academic Advisor should appear on Academic Learning Agreement when applying for Exchange Program
 All General Education requirements must be completed at USC