During your study break, why not take advantage of the short courses and study tours offered overseas?

If you’re unable to go on exchange, a short course during your break may be the ideal way for you to get a taste of living and studying overseas.

As a UNSW student there are a number of short courses, studio, study tour, field trips and summer and winter school opportunities available that are offered by UNSW schools and faculties, or by overseas partner institutions.

What opportunities are available?

Short study opportunities are promoted regularly on our Global Notices.

We recommend you Subscribe for updates via email or RSS.
Transfer of credit

Before you apply, we recommend you also talk to your Faculty Office about how to transfer credit units from a short course to your degree. These courses may be able to be counted towards your degree program as credit transfer or as part of your general education requirements. You will need to seek approval of this from your Faculty.

For more information see Applying for credit for your overseas short course.

Costs and financial assistance

Most short courses require full fees for the courses taken and generally are around $2,000 - $3,000 for 4-6 weeks. However, some of our partner universities offer discounts on the tuition fees for UNSW students participating in their programs.

UNSW Scholarships

UNSW may provide travel scholarships to selected students wishing to undertake global mobility programs that sit outside the formal semester exchange program.

OS-Help

UNSW students receiving credit for their short course may be eligible to apply for the Australian Government OS Help Loan. OS-HELP provides Commonwealth Government financial assistance to eligible students, to help pay a range of overseas study expenses. Students may receive loans from AUD$1000, indexed annually, for up to two non-overlapping six month study periods.

German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

The DAAD is Germany's largest scholarship awarding organisation and runs several programs to support academic exchange between Germany and other countries.

Centrelink payments

If you receive Youth Allowance, you can usually arrange to have your payments continue while overseas. You must notify Centrelink before leaving Australia otherwise payments may be stopped.

How to apply

The application process varies from program to program. You will need to check each individual program for deadlines. UNSW will have an internal application period as outlined below:

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All students should register their travel with UNSW. You should also undertake a risk assessment before heading overseas. For more information see How to prepare for departure.

Contact us
On my last day I was sad to leave. I wish I had chosen the University of Lausanne for my actual exchange abroad!" French Summer Language course, Switzerland.

The highlights of summer Uni at the University of Navarra: meeting fantastic people and being taught in small classes by interesting and prominent professors in their field.
The U21 Undergraduate Research Conference was one of the most inspiring things I have attended. Everyone was extremely passionate about their field of study. It's incredible.