study abroad

LET THE FOREIGN
BECOME FAMILIAR
University of Chicago Students in Paris Visit the Château de Vaux-le-Vicomte (France) by Arnaud Coulombel

Enjoy the intellectually charged conversations you have on campus, but with a larger vocabulary. Encounter the same life-changing discoveries, through a new culture. And experience it all with incredible UChicago faculty and students by your side. Your major or language doesn’t matter—our programs range from Asian civilizations to astrophysics. You can also study alongside local students at one of our partner schools. Either way, you stay registered at UChicago and keep your financial aid. Can’t decide? How about an international internship? Or build your own summer program, customized to your research or language goals, with the help of one of our grants. Whatever path you choose, through UChicago faculty-led programs, direct enrollment, language immersion, or summer grants, you have a world of opportunity.
1 Climbing Up to the Tian Tan Buddha on Lantau Island (Hong Kong)
by Jacob Walter, Class of 2021

2 UChicago Takes Delphi (Greece)
by Rebecca Cho, Class of 2019

3 Views from the Pyramid of the Moon (Mexico)
by Brianna Pinder, Class of 2018

4 Presenting on Senegalese Transportation Systems in Our Outdoors Classroom in Dakar (Senegal)
by Associate Professor Emily Lynn Osborn
Faculty-Led Programs

UCHICAGO TRANSPORTED

Our distinctive faculty-led programs bring the UChicago classroom to the world. In cities that have engaged their passions and research for decades, faculty discuss important texts with students, then plan excursions to locations that bring the curriculum to life: the Oracle at Delphi, the Musée de l’Homme, the Israeli Foreign Ministry. Fulfill your civilization studies requirement in Europe, Africa, Asia, Latin America, or the Middle East and immerse yourself in the new—plus the ancient and medieval. Take courses in your major field through one of our subject-specific thematic programs. Make the most of September in an intensive three-week course abroad. Whatever you choose, UChicago-style learning in an overseas location brings you the best of both worlds.

Learn the Language
Every student studies the local language during these programs, so you can confidently navigate the city and access the social contours of your chosen culture. Your prior skill level doesn’t matter—except for the French- and Spanish-language civilization programs, there is no language prerequisite.

“...the program is structured to build the excursions back into the classroom, and we spend a lot of time discussing what we learned, reflecting upon it, debating the value of what we have done and seen. And that is something unique to this sort of study abroad experience.”

Emily Lynn Osborn, Associate Professor of African History, African Studies, and the College

Build Community Abroad
Being abroad with fellow UChicago students doesn’t just lead to great ideas—it creates a great community. Together you’ll explore the city and region, taste the local cuisine, discuss the art, hear the music—and make lifelong friendships in the process. You also establish lasting relationships with the faculty, as they share the city they know and love. Cities with active alumni associations offer further opportunities for engagement.

Retain Financial Aid
Participants remain fully registered in the College and retain their financial aid eligibility while participating in a College study abroad program. A student’s aid package may also be enhanced to include funding for the program fee, living expenses, and airfare. Odyssey Scholars receive additional funding.

Faculty-led programs include Athens, Barcelona, Beijing, Cairo, Dakar, Florence, Hong Kong, Istanbul, Jerusalem, London, Marrakesh, Oaxaca, Paris, Pune, Rome, and Vienna. Explore our full range of program locations at studyabroad.uchicago.edu.
Raking Leaves – Golden Pavilion, Kyoto (Japan)
by Laura Parker, Class of 2020
Direct Enrollment and Other Opportunities

IMMERSE YOURSELF

From Great Britain and Ireland to Santiago to Seoul, choose from more than two dozen opportunities to study at one of our select partner universities abroad. These programs offer access to diverse intellectual perspectives and immersive cultural engagement while providing credit toward graduation requirements.

Direct Enrollment Programs
For a deeper engagement with another culture, directly enroll into one of UChicago’s partner universities abroad. You will complete up to a year of coursework in your chosen field while studying alongside local faculty and students. Two years of the relevant language are required for some programs, while others offer courses in English.

Language Immersion Programs
Take the next step toward fluency by spending a quarter fully immersed in the local language. These programs, taught by local scholars, are designed to advance you beyond intermediate-level competency.

Foreign Language Proficiency Certifications & Global Honors
Participation in UChicago Study Abroad programs may help you learn a new language or continue studying a language you already know—with the possibility of gaining significant proficiency levels. Visit languageassessment.uchicago.edu/flpc for information about the Office of Language Assessment’s Foreign Language Proficiency Certifications (FLPCs). Engagement with both Study Abroad and FLPCs will earn points toward Global Honors, the College’s recognition of exceptional global engagement. For more information, visit languages.uchicago.edu/global-honors.

“The entire Berlin program is run in German. Everything from preparing for the trip to the foreigner’s office to directions for the language course’s weekly excursions becomes an opportunity to dive deeper into German and Berlin culture, while of course learning new vocabulary every step of the way!”

Robert Belin, Class of 2022

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1 Monte Albán, Oaxaca (Mexico)
by Emilio Balderas, Class of 2021

2 Friends in the Sahara Desert! (Morocco)
by Andrea Ochoa, Class of 2021

3 Boat Trip on the Seine, Autumn 2020 (France)
courtesy of the Center in Paris

4 Impressed by Edfu Temple (Egypt)
by Jacob Walter, Class of 2021

5 At the Mutianyu Great Wall (China)
y by Ben Ross

6 Dean Boyer Teaching in Vienna (Austria)
y by Sebastian Freiler

7 Together We Can, Roman Colosseum (Italy)
y by Jala Conley, Class of 2019
International Centers and Campuses

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The World Through UChicago

As anchors for teaching and research in Europe and Asia, our University centers and campuses host exciting and innovative academic programs, conferences, and public lectures, as well as events that offer opportunities to meet alumni and other friends of UChicago. As academic homes for our students and faculty, as well as alumni, visiting scholars, and the public, the centers and campuses are forums for exchange, dialogue, and collaboration that extend our connections to institutions of excellence worldwide.

Center in Paris
The Center in Paris is the centerpiece of international activity for UChicago undergraduates. Our faculty-led programs span disciplines, from the humanities to the social sciences to, most recently, the natural and physical sciences. Excursions lead students from their classrooms to sites of importance in France, Eastern Europe, the Middle East, and Africa. All programs take advantage of the unique surroundings while maintaining the high academic standards of the College.

中心 in Paris

中心 in Beijing
The Center in Beijing enhances the University’s traditionally strong ties to Chinese thought and culture. Located in the bustling, university-rich Haidian District, the Center is a home for UChicago faculty, researchers, and students, hosting an undergraduate program in East Asian civilizations. Students also have the opportunity to enroll directly in elite partner universities in Beijing, which offer courses across the full disciplinary spectrum.

Center in Delhi
The Center in Delhi is an intellectual destination, a place to explore ideas across institutions and disciplines. It serves as a base for UChicago students and faculty who want to study and work in India, and it expands opportunities for collaboration with Indian universities, research institutes, cultural organizations, and our local alumni network.

Yuen Campus in Hong Kong
UChicago’s newest campus, in Hong Kong, is a gateway to the University’s wider engagement in Asia and supports the growing opportunities for learning and research collaborations in a city known for its “East meets West” cosmopolitanism. The Hong Kong Jockey Club University of Chicago Academic Complex | The University of Chicago Francis and Rose Yuen Campus in Hong Kong hosts students in the College’s Colonizations program, the Gender and Sexuality in World Civilizations program, and an Economics major program.

“The Center in Paris has come to serve as a model for University-wide global engagement, featuring robust participation by faculty and students, stimulating discourse, and strong relationships with local educational and civic institutions.”

John W. Boyer, Dean of the College and the Martin A. Ryerson Distinguished Service Professor in History and the College

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"I bettered my Arabic language skills tenfold but more importantly was fortunate to experience a culture and connect with Jordanians, Palestinians, and Arabs in a deep and meaningful manner."

Henry Branch, Class of 2024
Make the most of your summer. Learn a language, conduct research, or intern abroad with one of our funded opportunities.

**Summer International Travel Grants**

Born out of the College’s commitment to cross-cultural experience, international research, and foreign language learning, the Summer International Travel Grants give you the freedom to design your own summer experience abroad. During the summer, you’ll travel independently to a location of your choice and carry out original research or study the local language.

In the past, students have conducted independent research in all corners of the world, from field archaeology in Peru to molecular dynamics in Sweden. Often this work leads to a BA paper. With language grant support, students have studied nearly 50 languages, from Arabic to Zulu. These grants are ideal for students who may not be able to study abroad during the academic year.

**International Career Experiences**

UChicago Career Advancement provides international internship opportunities and other professional development programs for students interested in working abroad.

**Metcalf Internships**

The Metcalf Internship Program provides substantive, paid internships exclusively to University of Chicago College students.

Metcalf opportunities abroad have included internships at McKinsey & Company in Shanghai, the Royal Botanic Gardens in London, JP Morgan in Hong Kong, the Biomedical Research Academy in Athens, the Collège de France in Paris, and the Center for Global Health in Panama.

**Jeff Metcalf Fellowship Grant Application**

This selective fellowship is available to students who have independently obtained an internship or research experience abroad and are seeking funding. Applications will open during Autumn Quarter.

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**SUMMER INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL GRANTS**

Awards of **$5,000**

Approximate number of grants awarded each year: **100**

Number of languages studied abroad by College students with the support of summer grants: **49**

**Treks**

Treks are career exploration experiences that bring groups of 20 to 25 students to meet face to face with potential employers throughout the United States and around the world. Each trek highlights professional opportunities in a particular field in a particular city—from media and entertainment in Los Angeles to investment banking in Hong Kong.

Career Advancement offers over 25 treks annually, and international destinations include Madrid, Hong Kong, London, and Tel Aviv.

**International Innovation Challenges**

International Innovation Challenges are networking events that give students the opportunity to meet face to face with top employers in a variety of industries. Participating students connect with industry experts, develop their interview skills, and network with established professionals.

Explore all of the Summer International Travel Grant programs at studyabroad.uchicago.edu/sitg and the Jeff Metcalf Fellowship Grant Application, Treks, and International Innovation Challenges at careeradvancement.uchicago.edu.
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65 programs
31 cities in Europe, Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the Middle East
10K+ study abroad program alumni
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Above
Autumn 2021 Excursion to the Medieval Town of Provins with Professor Daisy DeLogu (France) courtesy of the Center in Paris

On the cover
Tlacolula Market in Oaxaca (Mexico) by Alice Tay, Class of 2023

“Fundamentally true but useless advice: it won’t be what you expect. Less useless advice: be adventurous! Travel around Europe, explore everything Paris has to offer, and don’t be idle! Practical advice: the crepe stand outside of the FEU is open 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. every day.”

Jialin Yang, Class of 2023