

COM / Study Abroad Fact Sheet

Non-Internship, Non-COM Internship-Based Programs or External (Non-BU) Study Abroad programs

To be eligible to apply to participate in a Boston University Study Abroad program that does not offer a COM internship or to apply to participate in an external study abroad program, students must meet all of the requirements described on this fact sheet. All decisions regarding which students are accepted into a Boston University Study Abroad program are made by the Boston University Study Abroad office. Decisions regarding which students are accepted into an external study abroad program that has been approved by Boston University are made by the specific program to which they are applying.

Students must meet the following requirements:

- Minimum Rising Junior standing. Rising sophomores may go abroad the summer between their first-year and sophomore years but not during a fall or spring semester.
- Good academic standing required to apply or attend.
- Overall BU GPA of 2.0 or better and COM GPA (COM courses only) of 2.0 or better.
- Meet with a COM Academic Advisor for the advisor approval portion of the abroad application.
- Transfer Students are not allowed to apply for a study abroad program until they have a BU GPA on their record and meet the other requirements listed.
- Students that land on academic probation after receiving COM approval to participate will have that approval rescinded.
- The BU External Programs Study Abroad Transfer Credit Approval Form should be signed by BU Study Abroad and also have proposed coursework pre-approved prior to meeting with a COM Undergraduate Affairs advisor.

COM strongly encourages juniors or seniors to be enrolled in, or have completed, the introductory courses required for their COM major(s) as they are applying to any non-internship, non-COM internship-based or external (non-BU) study abroad program as listed below.

B.S. Film & Television	B.S. Journalism	B.S. Advertising	B.S. Public Relations	B.S. Media Science
FT201 and FT 310 3.0 COM GPA required	JO200 and JO205	CM217 and CM331	CM215 and CM331	CM280 (pre-req CM180) and CM331

Please note: COM courses completed through external (non-BU) programs can only transfer as general electives. Internships completed on external (non-BU) programs cannot transfer for credit at BU. A minimum grade of a “C” is required for any course on an external (non-BU) program to be eligible for transfer. Transfer course work will not fulfill any BU Hub general education requirements.

CGS Students Continuing to COM as Rising Juniors

COM encourages students continuing from CGS to COM to be enrolled on the Boston University Charles River Campus their first semester at COM (typically fall of the junior year). Any CGS students who decide to apply to study abroad during their first semester in COM are required to speak with a COM Undergraduate Affairs advisor prior to making a decision to go abroad and also have their Advisor Support of Participation Form completed at COM. A full advising meeting is required (not eligible for Study Abroad Express). CGS to COM continuation applicants must meet all other requirements listed to be eligible to study abroad as a COM student.