Junior Study Abroad Programs

Junior Year programs are offered through the College of Engineering in Australia, Ireland, New Zealand, Singapore and Turkey. These programs require significant work during the approval process. The course approval process can take weeks, so plan accordingly. The steps outlined below are meant to guide you through the process.

The GPA requirements determined by the institutions abroad are: Sydney 3.0, Dublin 3.0, Auckland 2.8, Singapore and Istanbul—no specific GPA but courses are challenging. To get started:

1. Visit the website for your location of interest and search courses that seem to be the equivalent to courses required for your ENG program. Do NOT just look at courses equivalent to those offered here in the relevant semester of the junior year (look for electives that you would normally take as a senior, or other ways in which you can manipulate the curriculum). You should identify equivalents for 5-7 courses. Students interested in Dublin must have 7 approved courses. Students may not be able to enroll in their first choice class, so options are essential.
   - Auckland: [http://www.calendar.auckland.ac.nz/courses/prescriptions/engineering/](http://www.calendar.auckland.ac.nz/courses/prescriptions/engineering/)

2. Complete the Course Substitution Form and attach course descriptions for courses that interest you. Your faculty advisor and the Undergraduate Associate Chair must review your packet:
   - ME  Prof. Nagem, nagem@bu.edu
   - BME  Muhammad Zaman, Zaman@bu.edu
   - ECE  Mark Horenstein, mnh@bu.edu (submit to ECE Department for review)

3. You must present a plan for the courses you will take abroad AND a plan for how you will complete your remaining degree requirements. For example, if you miss a 2nd semester junior course, when will you complete it?

4. Bring the signed Course Substitution Form to Ruthie Jean in ERB 107. When it has been reviewed, notification will be sent to you.

5. You may only be accepted into one of these programs after ENG approves your courses, and notifies the Study Abroad Office that your paperwork is approved. Such approval will be given via the Advisor Support of Participation Form, which Ruthie Jean must sign before you submit it to BU Study Abroad.

6. **For Students Applying to Dublin**: Credits for courses taken in Dublin (called units) can vary. Units translate to credits as follows: 5 units = 3 credits, 7.5 units = 4 credits and 10 units equal 5 credits. You must take the equivalent of 16-20 credits while you are abroad. You may need to take 4 or 5 courses at DCU to accumulate the required number of credits.

7. **Please Note**: All study abroad applications must be completed on-line. When you push “submit” you will be automatically charged a non-refundable fee of $50. You can complete your application on-line but, to avoid the non-refundable fee, you may want to wait to actually submit the application until you know your courses are approved.

8. **For Sydney Only**: once admitted, Study Abroad will require you to get a CORI form notarized. ENG students can get documents notarized in ERB B15 by Joe Precopio (email Joe at jsp@bu.edu to schedule an appointment). You’ll need your passport, a copy of your Passport photo and your completed CORI form.

9. **All Programs**: when you are abroad, you will be required to submit all syllabi of courses in which you are enrolled to Ruthie Jean, ruthiej@bu.edu.