

Communication



Why Study Abroad?

As a communication major, you can explore a foreign language and experience how people create and interpret meaning within a dynamic cross-cultural setting through education abroad.

Students have studied in:

Chile
Italy
Korea
Netherlands
Norway
Thailand

*This is not an exhaustive list!

Deadlines & Requirements

For spring: October 15th
For summer: April 1st
For fall/yearlong: April 15th
2.5 GPA

*Deadlines may vary!

When is the best time to study abroad?

Students are eligible to study abroad as soon as the summer after their freshman year. For Communication majors, the timing of study abroad is not especially important. While abroad focus on taking disciplinary lens courses, elective courses and pre-approved communication requirements.

Potential Internship Opportunities

Hotel communication in Santiago
CityLife Magazine in Chiang Mai
Teach English as a second language in Viterbo

This advising sheet will help you plan for a study abroad experience. You should begin the process of planning for your study abroad program now. Courses are subject to change depending on the semester and **these are not the only options. Contact ILO for an advising appointment.*

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Courses required for the Communication major or minor are offered in a number of different locations. The lists below by no means represent an exhaustive list of locations where courses are available. If there is a place you are interested in going that is not listed, contact the ILO Office to see what courses might be available in that location.

Boise State Communication Courses available abroad

COMM 273 Introduction to Journalism	Canberra
COMM 351 Intercultural Communication	Aarhus, Chiang Mai, Lüneburg, Lyon – USAC, Reggio Emilia, Torino
COMM 361 Organizational Communication	Auckland
COMM 413 Public Relations Case Studies	Auckland

Examples of Communication Electives Offered Abroad*

- Contemporary Italian Cinema (Viterbo, Italy)
- Storytelling (Aarhus, Denmark)
- Social Media and Digital Culture (Auckland, New Zealand)
- Film and Politics (Madrid, Spain)
- Food Journalism (Viterbo, Italy)
- Health and Wellness Communication (Reggio Emilia, Italy)
- Professional Communication (Bilbao, Spain)
- 20th Century Latin American Cinema (La Habana, Cuba)

*Many of these courses may satisfy requirements for the emphasis area of your degree.

Other Upper Division Communication Electives

The list above is just a few of the many Communication courses offered abroad. Often, even if a course is not the direct equivalent of a Communication course offered at Boise State, it can still count towards credits required for your emphasis area. Any upper division Communication elective can count towards the upper division Communication elective credits required for the major or minor.

Disciplinary Lens Courses (DLs)

It is also possible to fulfill some of the disciplinary lens requirements while abroad, particularly the DLN (Non-Lab Science), DLL (Literature and Humanities), DLS (Social Science), and DLV (Visual and Performing Arts) requirements. Even if the course is not equivalent to a course on the approved list, you can contact Foundational Studies to see if they will approve a substitution.

Course Finder

A full list of all pre-approved courses can be found on the ILO website: <http://international.boisestate.edu/academic-information/coursefinder/>. Be aware that not every course is offered during every term, so you should consult both the program website and the Course Finder when planning your courses. It is also important to meet with your academic advisor, to ensure that you are staying on track with regard to your academic plan.

Approval Process

It is possible to take courses that are not listed on the Course Finder. If you would like a course to count as an equivalent to a specific Boise State course, you must take a course description or syllabus to the chair of the appropriate academic department. If the course is not something Boise State offers (i.e., Italian History), the course will simply count as an elective.