



First Year Abroad

Top 10 Frequently Asked Questions

1 What is the First Year Abroad (FYA) Program?

The First Year Abroad program allows students to complete the first twelve months of their Florida State careers studying abroad with International Programs. Depending on one's intended academic major, students may choose to spend their first year at any of our four study centers: London, England; Florence, Italy; Panama City, Republic of Panama; and Valencia, Spain. Students can opt to change their location to a different study center for the summer term, though visa restrictions may apply.

2 How do students benefit from participating?

Benefits at our study centers include small classes, engaged faculty, co-curricular cultural experiences, and exceptional student support systems. Benefits continue on the main campus, too. Out-of-state students who successfully complete the program with an overall 3.0 GPA in their overseas courses, and have no judicial infractions, qualify for out-of-state waivers - allowing them to pay in-state tuition rates for the remainder of their first undergraduate degree at FSU in Tallahassee. Florida residents, after earning 14 credits for one semester with a cumulative FYA GPA of 3.0 or better, receive a \$1,500 discount toward the next semester. (A savings of \$3,000 if earned for both the Spring and Summer semesters!)

3 What is the price of the program?

What is included?

The FYA program has one fee regardless of location: \$41,995. Program fees are comprehensive, including: up to 49 credit hours; housing; international health insurance; cultural excursions and activities; full-time academic support; 24/7 student support; some meals or food vouchers (London, Florence, and Valencia); and visas (Florence, Panama, and Valencia).

4 What are the requirements for participating?

Please know that Seminole Pathway students or students admitted to the University for the summer term must enroll in an online course, Global Foundations, offered by International Programs during the summer prior to starting the First Year Abroad.

5 What are the average GPA and test scores of applicants?

GPA 4.0 - 4.5

ACT 28-32

SAT 1270-1390

6 How do students apply to FSU?

Apply online!

admissions.fsu.edu

7 When is the deadline to apply to FSU?

Applications and all supporting documents must be received by

November 1, 2019

Decisions will be released on

January 30, 2020



8 What are some tips for getting accepted to FSU?

Students interested in FYA are encouraged to submit applications and supporting documents to the Office of Admissions by the deadline (November). Florida State receives applications from all 50 states and over 130 countries. Admission is competitive. Once accepted to FSU, make sure you maintain good grades as you complete your senior year of high school.

9 How do students apply to FYA? When is the deadline?

Admission to FYA is guaranteed to most admitted students. Certain majors are ineligible (Dance, Music, Interior Design). Upon receiving formal admission to FSU, students apply to the program via our website. The deadline to apply is May 1, 2020. Thereafter, students will be considered on a space available basis.

10 Who should students contact to learn more about FYA?

Contact our dedicated team of FYA coordinators at ip-freshmen@fsu.edu or call 1 (800) 374 - 8581 to learn more about this exciting opportunity. Also visit us online at international.fsu.edu/FYA.aspx.

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