Humanistic Studies Department - Study Abroad Guide

1. What semester/year should Humanistic Studies majors go abroad?

Because the tandem courses for the Humanistic Studies major are offered on a cyclical basis and majors need to take all four tandem course pairs, we recommend speaking to an advisor in Humanistic Studies before studying abroad. With advance planning, single semester programs and summer abroad programs generally do not cause issues for Humanistic Studies majors. Many majors go abroad during a semester in their sophomore or junior years.

2. What are the prerequisites for studying abroad, if any?

There are no prerequisites for study abroad in the Humanistic Studies department.

3. Which programs offer major/minor courses that have been approved in the past?

Generally speaking, the Humanistic Study program does not accept courses from other programs for the major. However, those spending their junior year abroad in Oxford may be able to substitute certain tutorial courses for a limited number of tandem courses provided they have made a good faith effort to take as many tandems as possible before and after their time abroad.

4. What short-term program do you recommend?

Humanistic Studies students have studied abroad in a wide range of countries—London, Rome, Spain, and Ireland are particularly popular choices, as is the Oxford program. However, students have also studied abroad in South Africa and Angers (France), and with the Summer Study programs in Europe and/or Greece.

5. Funds for Study Abroad

Majors and minors in good standing may apply for a limited pool of funding available from the Humanistic Studies department to assist with research and travel costs, summer study abroad programs, and internships. Typically this funding is reserved for the Oxford program and for short-term travel and research and study abroad programs taking place during the summer months or spring breaks. Semester-long programs, such as those to Maynooth (Ireland) or Rome (Italy) are typically not funded. For specific information and application due dates, please see the Humanistic Study Department Study Abroad Application posted at https://www.saintmarys.edu/studyabroad/finance-and-costs