WHY YOU SHOULD
STUDY ABROAD

Get exposure to international social issues and learn through diverse human interactions while studying abroad as a Social Work major. Study abroad programs provide the opportunity to couple classroom knowledge with first-hand experience of international social issues and communities while taking courses that advance you toward your UT degree in Social Work.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

PROGRAMS
Choose from more than 400 UT-approved programs on six continents. A recommended list for Social Work students is provided within this brochure.

AFFORDABILITY
Consider the real cost of studying abroad: the difference between a semester in Austin and a semester abroad. UT awards hundreds of study abroad scholarships that can help offset costs.

CAREER
Gain a competitive edge that can help you get a job later while building your resume now.

CREDIT
Obtain major, minor, and core credits that count toward your degree. Plan ahead and graduate on time. Search the “My Credit Abroad” database of over 15,000 pre-approved courses with UT equivalents.

“Study abroad redefines the classroom and exposes students to rich, often hands-on, opportunities to learn about social issues and strengths of communities on a global scale. Students report, sometimes years later, that the program was a life-changing event. The result is that we see students experiencing transformative growth and increased intercultural maturity.”

— Dorie Gilbert, Ph.D., Associate Professor, School of Social Work
QUESTIONS

TO ASK YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR IN THE SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

• What classes must I complete on campus for my degree?

• What core or major requirements can I complete abroad?

• What remaining prerequisites must I fulfill, and how will study abroad impact my progress?

• How many hours of upper-division credit do I need to complete for my degree?

• How many hours of elective (lower- or upper-division) credit do I have remaining in my major?

• Are there any in-residence requirements I need to be aware of before I go abroad?

• How should I follow up with you as my study abroad plans are confirmed?

TO ASK YOUR STUDY ABROAD COORDINATOR

• How will I get credit for the courses I take abroad?

• How can I get courses approved for my program(s) of interest?

• What do I need to consider in preparing an estimated budget for my program(s) of interest, and what expenses do I need to plan for up front?

• Where can I find more information about scholarships for study abroad?

• How can I contact UT students who have participated in my program(s) of interest?

“Both of my study abroad programs fit perfectly into my degree plan and fulfilled major requirements, and the first one even helped me to settle on majoring in Social Work. These experiences truly put into perspective how important social workers are to the global community.”

– Chelsea Jones, Ghana and China

TO ASK THE OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

• Learn about study abroad and financial aid before you contact Financial Services. Visit: world.utexas.edu/abroad/funding

• How do loans work for study abroad? What kinds of aid/loans do I currently receive, and are there any restrictions on this aid if I study abroad?

• Have I reached the maximum of (insert name of loan) allowed per academic year?

• When will funds be released for my semester of participation?

• How will additional scholarships impact my UT financial aid?
SOCIAL WORK PROGRAMS ABROAD

Each program below has a full semester of courses pre-approved for UT credit which fulfill Social Work degree requirements, including major courses and university core requirements. Visit the “My Credit Abroad” database online to view direct course matches: world.utexas.edu/abroad/credit

ASIA

SIT: SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT & SOCIAL CHANGE, JAIPUR, INDIA
Courses taught in English. This program features excursions to NGO headquarters, academic and research institutes, and villages. Earn UT-approved credit through classes such as Shaping Sustainable Social Change and Development Approaches and Distributive Justice. (UT Austin affiliate)

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE
Courses taught in English. This program offers the opportunity to study at one of the top universities in Asia and the world. With a robust offering of Social Work courses, students may be interested in taking Human Development over the Lifespan, Social Work in Medical Settings, and Group Dynamics. (UT Austin exchange)

EUROPE

DIS - DANISH INSTITUTE FOR STUDY ABROAD, COPENHAGEN, DENMARK
Courses taught in English. DIS offers thematic program options tailored to a variety of interests, and several offer courses that are pre-approved for Social Work credit. Example courses of interest include Human Trafficking in a Global Context, Gender and Sexuality in Scandinavia, Women and Leadership, and Families without Borders: From Adoptions to Transnational Desires. (UT Austin affiliate)

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE DUBLIN, IRELAND
The median population of Dublin is under 30, making for a youthful atmosphere. Campus is ideally located close to the city center. With a number of Social Work options, students may want to take Nature & Context of Addiction or Economic Analysis of Social Problems. (UT Austin exchange)

UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH, SCOTLAND
Edinburgh is a cultured city with gorgeous architecture and medieval history. Located in the capital, the university has a very diverse student body with thousands of international students from 120 countries. Example approved courses include Social Policy and Society and Contemporary Feminist Debates. (UT Austin affiliate)

CIEE STUDY CENTER IN SEVILLA, SPAIN
Courses taught in English and Spanish. Study in the vibrant capital of the Andalusia region. Students that have completed Spanish 327C before departure will have the opportunity to take classes pre-approved for Social Work credit at Universidad Pablo de Olavide through the liberal arts track of this program. All participants are required to take a pre-semester intensive Spanish course. (UT Austin affiliate)
LATIN AMERICA

SIT: SOCIAL JUSTICE & SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, FORTALEZA, BRAZIL
Courses taught in English. Interact with different ethnic groups, including indigenous and Afro-Brazilian populations, to learn about the impact of social inequalities and social change. One semester of Portuguese or two semesters of Spanish language required prior to departure. (UT Austin affiliate)

CHILEAN UNIVERSITIES PROGRAM, SANTIAGO, CHILE
Courses taught in Spanish. Students are required to enroll in one Spanish language class and may complete their schedules with a range of Social Work classes offered at Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile. An optional directed research project course is also available. Successful completion of SPN 327C or equivalent is required prior to departure. (UT Austin affiliate)

MIDDLE EAST/AFRICA

SIT: MODERNIZATION AND SOCIAL CHANGE, AMMAN, JORDAN
Courses taught in English. Jordan is quickly modernizing yet is challenged by social issues and the impact of immigration and refugees. Study development and social change policies in this modern, Arab capital. Students also have the opportunity to conduct an independent research project. (UT Austin affiliate)

UNIVERSITY OF CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA
Courses taught in English. UCT is internationally recognized as one of Africa’s leading research universities. Courses of interest include Social Work Assessment, Contemporary Families in a Changing Society, and Psychosocial Functioning and Empowerment. Students also have the option to conduct an independent research project and participate in service-learning. (UT Austin affiliate)

OCEANIA

FLINDERS UNIVERSITY, ADELAIDE, AUSTRALIA
Adelaide is a vibrant and stylish city that embraces progress. The School of Social and Policy Studies is a leader in social and cultural change, making this an ideal program for Social Work majors. A wide range of social work courses is available, such as Loss and Grief in Social Work Practice, Social Work with Diverse Populations, and Social and Urban Planning. (UT Austin exchange)

UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA
The Social Work program draws on the extensive expertise and experience of qualified social work practitioners to deliver a unique combination of scholarly and practice-based courses. Examples include Culture, Identity and Diversity and Social Work Practice: Community Work. (UT Austin exchange)

UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA
The University of Sydney offers a selection of Social Work courses pre-approved for credit including Australian Social Policy, Working with Communities, and Global Social Policy. Students can also apply to the Study Abroad Internship program for exposure to Australian workplace culture through hands-on experience outside the classroom. (UT Austin exchange)

UNIVERSITY OF TASMANIA, HOBART, AUSTRALIA
Tasmania is one of our most affordable programs in Australia and is located on an island state renowned for its natural beauty. The Social Work program is committed to the principles of human rights, social justice, and non-oppression and offers interesting courses such as Social Inequalities: Global and Local, Sociology of Deviance, and Magic, Spirituality, and Religion. (UT Austin exchange)
# MAPPING YOUR SEMESTERS

Many of the courses in the Social Work degree plan are ideal to take abroad. The BSW degree plan is shown below with the recommended semester to go abroad highlighted. Additional abroad options are indicated with an asterisk.*

## SAMPLE STUDY ABROAD PLAN

### BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK (14-16 CATALOG)

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* These are alternate courses that can be rotated to a semester abroad, allowing flexibility to consider a wider range of programs or a full year of participation.

“As a Social Work major, learning about social issues from a different cultural perspective was incredibly rewarding. Studying abroad in an unfamiliar country was a huge step out of my comfort zone, and I learned a lot about my strengths, limitations, and capabilities.”

– Meredith Evett, Denmark
MY CREDIT ABROAD DATABASE

Each program included in this brochure has many Social Work courses listed in the database that fulfill your degree requirements.

Courses equated to SW 360K or 460K may be repeated for credit to fulfill degree requirements for “UD Social & Beh. Sci.” on the map to the left. (Upper-division courses in ALD, ANT, ECO, EDP, GOV, HDF, HIS, KIN, PSY, and SOC also fulfill this requirement.)

SW courses at UT that carry a writing flag (WF) that do not carry the flag abroad will need to be replaced with another UT course carrying a WF.

NOTES

One approved BIO course is required for graduation, which can count towards Sci & Tech.

Study abroad is not recommended during your final semester, as the delay in processing course credits could prevent you from graduating on time.

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“Studying abroad allows you the time to actively engage with a community different from your own. During my time abroad, I was able to visit with social service agencies and hear from community organizers about relevant issues, such as immigration.”

– Dora Gonzalez, England
WAYS TO GET STARTED

Discover more at world.utexas.edu/abroad

TALK TO YOUR ACADEMIC ADVISOR
Your advisor can help identify the best course options to meet degree requirements and can help determine the ideal semester to participate.

STUDY ABROAD PEER ADVISORS
Peer advisors can help you explore options and answer questions during walk-in hours at the International Office. See walk-in hours here: world.utexas.edu/abroad/advising/peeradvisors

PROGRAM SEARCH ENGINE
Explore more than 400 study abroad programs.

MY CREDIT ABROAD DATABASE
Find more than 15,000 pre-approved foreign courses with UT equivalents.

ON CAMPUS ADVISING AND EVENTS
Walk-in advising and information sessions are available throughout the academic year. Dates, times, and locations are found on the calendar on the main Study Abroad website.

FUNDING STUDY ABROAD
Understand your funding options, financial aid, online tools, and available scholarships: world.utexas.edu/abroad/funding

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