

DIXIE STATE COLLEGE
INTERNATIONAL STUDY ABROAD PROPOSAL

*Please complete this form, and also attach a program description which includes your **proposed itinerary, estimated budget (including cost per student), and program justification (see page 2)**. Approval is needed by the appropriate Department Chair and Dean. If a new course, the Department Chair will seek Curriculum Committee approval via a Course Change Form. If program is approved, applicant will meet with the **Study Abroad Coordinator** in the International Student Center to seek assistance in promoting the program to students and addressing any logistical concerns.*

Program / Course Title: _____

Course ID: _____ Credit Hours: _____

Proposed Location: _____

Program Type (academic, service, work-related, etc.): _____

Program Date (beginning & ending date): _____

Directed by: _____

Department(s): _____

Approval:

_____ Date: _____
Department Chair

_____ Date: _____
Dean

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Program Description Itinerary Budget Course Change Form needed?

PROGRAM JUSTIFICATION – PLEASE RESPOND TO FOLLOWING QUESTIONS :

Academic Strength

How strong is the link to academic programs?

- Meets a legitimate academic goal or requirement for students, providing academically sound credit.
- Is part of a department and school objectives, consistent with regular department curriculum.
- Builds academic reputations and connections; is sustainable.
- Has full approval of department and school.

Personal and Institutional Safety

Is the program safe?

- Avoids putting students, faculty, and college in compromising, illegal, or unsafe positions.
- Avoids compromising students or faculty health.
- Has detailed contingency plan for emergency situations.

Strategic Value:

Does the program meet department, school, and college strategic priorities?

- Does not interfere with time to graduation.
- Is in harmony with the aims of a DSC education.
- Is sustainable.
- Will run for more than one year (one year programs may be approved but the college has more interest in programs that will run multiple years).

Cultural and Political Sensitivity:

Is the program culturally and politically sensitive?

- Prepares students for and promotes respectful and appreciative interactions with others with an understanding of the social, economic, political, historical, religious, and cultural context of their experience abroad, and will be sustainable related to these concepts.
- Avoids creating expectations that cannot be met.
- Avoids the appearance of siding with or supporting one political faction or other political view versus another.

Program Costs:

Is the program financially viable and sustainable?

- Wisely uses human, financial, and other resources of DSC, faculty, and students.
- Program is financially self-sufficient.
- Does not place undue financial stress on students.
- Various costs of program are carefully detailed, worked out, and approved.
- Does not presume upon locals in foreign areas.
- Does not presume on departmental/college funds.
- Weighs the strategic importance with costs and benefits.