TIPS for a COMPELLING study abroad application

What is the selection committee looking for?

Successful applicants explain how their chosen program will help them achieve their study abroad goals.

Successful applicants demonstrate how their leadership and involvement have prepared them for a productive study abroad experience.

Successful applicants exhibit academic preparedness, maturity and an ability to contribute to their community abroad.

What if I don't get my top choice?

Many programs have limited capacity, so you should rank order three additional programs, at least one of which is not highly competitive.

Apply by the deadline

Submit your application by the deadline. Many programs fill during the first round.

- Summer deadline **February 1**
- Fall deadline **March 1**
- Spring deadline **TBA**

Explain your rationale

Why is this program uniquely suited to help you achieve professional, academic, and personal goals? Present a strong rationale for why this program is the best fit for you—and why you are the best student for this program!

Demonstrate your preparation

Use your résumé and essays to show how your experiences and contributions have prepared you to study abroad. How do you plan to engage with and contribute to your community abroad?

Use your resources

Use on-campus resources such as the Writing Center, study abroad website, and "just in time" and group advising. Preparation shows!

For more information, visit the Study Abroad Application website: www.bus.wisc.edu/studyabroad/apply