

Study Abroad Accommodation Requests

All students are expected to make a good faith effort to complete Goucher's study abroad requirement. Students may request necessary on-site accommodations including an exemption from the study abroad requirement. Such requests will be received by the Office of Accessibility Services via online form submission beginning in January 2020 and will be reviewed by the director of OAS, the director of OIS, health and counseling services, residential life, and other campus offices as needed. Students requesting accommodations during Fall 2019 may contact the director of the Office of International Studies to submit an accommodation request, which will be reviewed according to the process outlined above. Appeals may be made to the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Studies, whose decision shall be final. The grounds for such appeal will be that the procedures described in this policy were not followed, and the failure to follow procedure may have affected the outcome of the final decision; or that substantive new information that was not reasonably available at the time of the decision has now become available and may change the outcome of the final decision. Students who are granted an exemption will be required to substitute a three-credit off-campus internship in lieu of the study abroad requirement.

To make a request for a religious accommodation in a study abroad program, you must:

- Notify the Office of International Studies of your desire for a religious accommodation (intlstudies@goucher.edu);
- Complete [this form](#) and return it to the Office of International Studies;
- Provide a letter from a spiritual advisor supporting your request

The Office of International Studies, together with you and your advisor, will review your request and consider what reasonable religious accommodations may be possible. Appeals of the decision can be made to the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Studies, whose decision shall be final. The grounds for such appeal will be that the procedures described in this policy were not followed, and the failure to follow procedure may have affected the outcome of the final decision; or that substantive new information that was not reasonably available at the time of the decision has now become available and may change the outcome of the final decision.

Study Abroad Policy for Transfer Students

All transfer students who have studied abroad (for which at least three credits are accepted by Goucher) will have satisfied the study abroad requirement upon enrollment.

Study Abroad Policy for International Students

All students are expected to make a good-faith effort to complete the study abroad requirement. However, students who are citizens of a country other than the United States, whose primary residence is in that country, and who completed their high school degree outside the U.S. may petition the director of OIS for an exemption from the study abroad requirement. This request will be reviewed in consultation with Goucher's International Student Advisor and Assistant Provost for Experiential Learning. Appeals may be made to the Associate Provost for Undergraduate Studies, whose decision shall be final. The grounds for such appeal will be that the procedures described in this policy were not followed, and the failure to follow procedure may have affected the outcome of the final decision; or that substantive new information that was not reasonably available at the time of the decision has now become available and may change the outcome of the final decision. Students who are granted an exemption will be required to substitute a minimum three-credit off-campus academic experience in lieu of the study abroad requirement.