

# GLOBAL EDUCATION

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At Quinnipiac University, we feel a sense of obligation to work toward a more interconnected and globally engaged environment. We do this by increasing intentional global engagement opportunities for students, faculty, and staff to learn both in and outside the classroom. Quinnipiac students participate in semester and short-term programs, internships, community engagement, clinical, research and faculty-led programs abroad in various countries such as Barbados, Costa Rica, Germany, Guatemala, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Morocco, Poland and Spain. Administered by the Office of Global Engagement, study abroad programs provide the opportunity to develop responsible and engaged citizens by cultivating their cultural awareness and humility as well as skills and knowledge necessary to participate respectfully in the global community. All students are advised to plan early for study abroad and to discuss with their academic adviser to determine whether they can fulfill their graduation requirements through a study abroad program. Students also must attend an information session to understand the policies and procedures for our education abroad opportunities.

The following opportunities are available:

## **Semester Abroad (<http://catalog.qu.edu/academics/study-abroad/>)**

Students have the opportunity to study at an international institution for a full semester, which typically ranges from 4 to 6 months. Depending on the student's major and/or minor, they can participate as early as the spring semester of their first year through their senior year as an undergraduate.

## **Interession (<http://catalog.qu.edu/academics/study-abroad/#facultyledprogramstext>)**

Short-term programs are offered during the J-term, summer and spring breaks. There are opportunities for faculty-led programs abroad, or programs offered through partner institutions.

## **Clinicals/Fieldwork**

Students from certain majors can fulfill some of their clinical affiliation or fieldwork with international partners.

**Internships and experiential learning** – These opportunities integrate the knowledge and theory learned in the classroom with practical application and skills development in a professional setting.

**Community engagement** – Students can participate in community-driven learning experiences by living with host families and engaging with long-term global partners.

**Research** – Students partner with Quinnipiac or international faculty to conduct and participate in independent or capstone research projects.

**Exchange** – This program involves a direct exchange of faculty and/or students between international partners for a semester or short-term period.

The Office of Global Engagement supports students throughout their global education experiences by offering the following services:

- Advising and mentorship
- Pre-departure workshops
- Re-entry workshops
- Opportunities for students to take on leadership roles