

# Department of Global Studies

## Study Abroad Guide

### **Study Abroad or Internship Experience**

All students completing the Global Studies major or minor programs must participate in a Saint Mary's College approved study abroad program/s. If students are not able to participate in a semester length program, they may participate in summer and semester break programs totaling a minimum of five weeks.

Each concentration within the Global Studies major allows for an upper-level course taken by permission through an approved study abroad program for 3 credit hours. Please consult the Department Chair or the Concentration Coordinator for pre-departure course advising and approval.

Consider your individual student learning goals in selecting a study abroad program.

The College offers semester-long immersion study abroad language programs in Spanish and French. These programs are especially attractive for Global Studies students who need to achieve world language proficiency as a requirement of the major. Many other study abroad programs enhance a student's language proficiency since students are required or opt to take the language while abroad. These include programs in Italy, Morocco, and South Korea. Other programs feature distinctive cultural experiences with all classes taught in English. These include Ireland, South Africa, and England.

Study abroad in either the sophomore or junior years, or parts of both. Some Global Studies students go on more than one study abroad program, and many incorporate their study abroad experiences into their senior comprehensive projects. Talk to the Department Chair to determine the timing that works best for you.