

# Hamilton

## GLOBAL LEARNING

## Study Abroad Planning for First-Year Students

### ACADEMICS

Tell your ALEX and academic advisors that you are interested in off-campus study so they can help you integrate it into your academic plan.

Start fulfilling study abroad eligibility requirements: QSR, writing-intensive, and PE requirements.

Maintain good academic standing with a GPA of at least 2.7. Many destinations require a higher GPA.

To keep your study abroad options open, consider taking a language course to meet the language requirement.

Pre-health professions students: Work with the pre-health professions advisor to plot your course plan so there will be space in your schedule for study abroad.

### NOTES / OTHER TASKS

### PROGRAM SPECIFIC

Start looking into Hamilton's programs and Hamilton's pre-approved programs list to familiarize yourself with your options.

Inform yourself about any program pre-requisites, some of which are specific.

Attend program information sessions on campus and virtually. Many programs will send a representative to campus once a semester to share program information.

### FINANCIAL

Meet with the Student Fellowships Coordinator to get help applying for national study abroad scholarships, such as the Gilman Scholarship.

Consider applying for the Critical Language Scholarship, a national scholarship competition that pays for summer language immersion study.

### REACH OUT

Talk with students who have studied abroad.

Visit the Global Learning website to complete the Study Abroad Planning Form and meet with a study abroad advisor.

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