ABOUT UGA® GLOBAL EDUCATION
The University of Georgia is dedicated to preparing you to become a global citizen equipped to respond to the changes and challenges that affect our local and global communities. The UGA Global Education office is here to support your journey to global citizenship by offering academic opportunities in more than 60 countries in English and other languages.

UGA programs range in duration from 2 to 52 weeks and allow students to earn UGA or transfer credit while studying abroad. Programs are designed to accommodate any student’s program of study. Each year, thousands of UGA students study, research, or intern abroad in countries throughout the world.

The Office of Global Engagement supports UGA’s academic, research, and outreach missions and strategic directions through the promotion of global learning experiences for students, the sponsorship and support of international students, scholars, faculty and staff, and the development of international research and instructional partnerships and collaborations.

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The University of Georgia is committed to principles of equal opportunity and affirmative action.
WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF NSE?

Academic Benefits: take classes not available at your school, study with new professors and experts in your field, broaden your educational perspective, pursue research, field study, and internship opportunities, investigate graduate schools

Professional Benefits: make connections in a new job market, develop practical skills for use in your professional development, increase collaboration experience, prepare yourself to live and work in a culturally diverse society

Personal Benefits: experience personal growth and independence, live in different geographic and cultural settings, gain international and/or intercultural understanding, explore the historical and cultural makeup of the U.S. and Canada

And so many more!

STUDENT TESTIMONIAL

“This program (National Student Exchange) might be the University’s best-kept secret... For students craving something new but not necessarily abroad for a relatively cheap price, this is a great option. I happened upon this program last spring and am now exchanging at the University of Montana in Missoula. I’ve learned to rock climb, made friends from different states and biked to class every day with the backdrop of mountains and evergreens. While Missoula is no Athens and the Grizzlies are certainly not Bulldogs, there’s nothing that quite compares to being somewhere new.”

-Liz, studied through NSE at the University of Montana

WHAT ARE MY COSTS AND FINANCIAL AID OPTIONS?

National Student Exchange offers a home pay and host pay option. Typically, UGA students participate on home pay in which students pay their normal tuition and fees to UGA while away on the NSE program. In some cases, the host pay option is available where students pay tuition and fees directly to the NSE host campus. UGA HOPE/Zell Miller scholarships would apply for home pay programs, plus you may be eligible for merit- or need-based scholarships.

WHAT COURSES CAN I TAKE?

Students may take courses in major or minor areas of study, in addition to core and electives. There are great academic benefits to NSE with such a variety of academic offerings and perspectives at participating institutions.

HOW DO I RECEIVE COURSE CREDIT?

To receive transfer credit for classes taking on NSE, you must complete a transfer credit approval form before going abroad. Completion of the transfer credit approval form will confirm your study away participation, note the number of credits you are attempting, and maintain your overall student status at uga.

HOW CAN I LEARN MORE?

Attend a National Student Exchange info session and/or set up an advising appointment with your NSE coordinator at the Office of Global Engagement to learn more about program options and the application process. Your academic advisor may also have information about programs that suite your individual needs. For more information, please visit the National Student Exchange application page on StudyAway:

APPLY NOW!

General NSE

NSE in Canada

WHAT ARE THE DEADLINES?

The priority application deadline for fall, spring, and academic year programs is February 15th. The NSE placement conference will take place in early March after which students will receive notification of their placements. If you decide on pursuing an NSE option after the priority deadline, direct post-conference placements are still available all year!

WHERE CAN I GO ON NSE?

With so many options for participating campuses in the United States, Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico, or the U.S. Virgin Islands, it can be hard to narrow down where to go! NSE campuses are located various regions ranging from the beach to desert to mountains. Campuses may be small or large, public or private, and might have special focuses on certain academics, research, or sports. NSE also offers a variety of campus options with HBCUs (Historically Black Colleges & Universities), HSIs (Hispanic Serving Institutions), and AANAPISIs (Asian-American, Native American, & Pacific Islander Serving Institutions).

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