

# International Programs



Knowledge and appreciation of other nations and cultures are essential in this increasingly interdependent world, and Arizona State University is committed to helping build the international competence of the university community. This commitment is evidenced in a wide variety of student programs and faculty teaching, research, and service programs.

## Office of International Programs

Located administratively within the Office of the Senior Vice President and Provost, the Office of International Programs develops, coordinates, and administers university programs abroad. Activities include establishing inter-university faculty exchange and research agreements, developing and administering student programs, and coordinating university relationships with governments, foundations, and other agencies involved in international affairs.

## Academic Programs

**ASU Programs.** Arizona State University offers a select set of exchange and study abroad programs for students. In cooperation with the various ASU colleges and with universities abroad, the Office of International Programs coordinates semester and/or full-year programs in Bolivia, England, France, Germany, Israel, Italy, Japan, Macedonia, Mexico, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, and Wales. Several of the programs offer intensive language tracks in which students may receive four semesters of foreign language credit in one semester. Other programs require prior command of a

foreign language. Still other programs offer courses taught in English. Information about ASU study abroad and exchange offerings for students may be obtained from the Office of International Programs, MOEUR 124 (602/965-5965). For several programs, the Office of International Programs refers students to the appropriate academic coordinators in departments or centers.

Success in any international program depends upon careful advance planning. A student should confer with his or her academic advisor to determine how courses taken overseas on one of the ASU programs apply to the student's program of study. Generally, students who participate in an official ASU program remain under the degree requirements of the catalog in force when they entered ASU. The students retain and may apply most of their financial aid to the program and receive resident credit on their ASU transcripts.

All students who participate in ASU programs are subject to the *Student Code of Conduct* and to the authority of the resident directors of their programs. Students are also required to sign appropriate waivers of responsibility before leaving campus on a program.

It should be noted that, because of ASU commitments to foreign universities, cancellation and refund schedules vary by program and are not related to the general ASU refund schedule. Specific information on each program is available from the Office of International Programs.

**Non-ASU Programs.** ASU cannot offer students official resident credit programs in all countries of potential interest, and students often choose to participate in international study programs

offered by other universities or agencies not affiliated with ASU. By definition, these programs fall outside the purview and responsibility of the Office of International Programs. Students interested in these programs should contact Undergraduate Admissions for accurate information on overseas study and transfer credit requirements.

Upon request, Undergraduate Admissions informs students by letter of the accreditation status of foreign institutions. The student is responsible for consulting with his or her ASU academic advisor before leaving ASU.

It is strongly advised that a student planning to enroll independently in a non-ASU program abroad complete the necessary readmission and catalog petition forms before leaving ASU. The student should check with the ASU registrar to assure that he or she is following ASU readmission and graduation policies. If the student wishes to follow the degree requirements of the catalog in force when he or she entered the university, the student must file the appropriate petition with the college of his or her major.

## Area Studies

Special area studies programs are coordinated through the Center for Asian Studies (pages 91 and 123), the Center for Latin American Studies (pages 91 and 123), the Consortium for Atlantic Studies, and the Russian and East European Studies Consortium (pages 91 and 123). These groups publish journals, research reports, scholarly monographs, and books in addition to coordinating educational programs within the university and abroad.