

# Lead a Study Abroad or Away Program



# TU Study Abroad/Away Snapshot

- Approx. 400 TU students study abroad/away each year
- Top destinations: UK, Italy, Ireland, Spain, South Korea, Japan
- Top sending colleges: CLA, COFAC, FCSM





# Faculty-Led Study Abroad/Away

- 60 - 70% of all TU Study Abroad/Away students participate in faculty-led programs
- Appeal to students who might not otherwise study abroad/away
- Can encourage study abroad/away in less common destinations
- Provides options for students in disciplines underrepresented in study abroad/away



# Faculty-Led Program Model

- Program length
- Participants
- Term/frequency
- Program models
- Faculty directors / faculty assistants
- Academics
- Cultural activities
- Service learning / community engagement
- Research component
- Logistics

# Study Abroad & Away Office

- Program development
- Program budget
- Faculty contract and compensation
- Provider contract
- Applications, admissions, registration
- Recruitment support
- STRATUS support
- Pre-departure orientation
- Health insurance
- Program payments
- Crisis management / emergency response
- Student evaluations

# Faculty Leader

- Program development
- Academic content
- Intercultural learning
- RECRUITMENT
- Pre-departure orientation and meetings
- Academic and behavioral expectations
- Manage group dynamics
- Crisis management / emergency response
- Submit grades
- Program report

# Proposing a Program

- Proposal form
- Course syllabus
- Contact hours chart
- Chair(s) / Dean(s) approvals
- Supporting documentation (optional)

## Proposal submission deadlines

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**Summer 2027**

April 1, 2026

**Mini/Spring Break 2028**

November 1, 2026



# Program Review Process

- Teaching in context
- Student interest / demand
- Cultural immersion
- Academic rigor
- Experiential activities
- Feasibility / affordability
- Health and safety
- Diversity of offerings





# Resources

- Faculty & Advisers section of our website - [www.towson.edu/abroad](http://www.towson.edu/abroad)
- Faculty-Led Study Abroad/Away proposal form
- Sample syllabi, itineraries, proposals
- TU Faculty-Led Study Abroad/Away Program Faculty Leader Handbook
- TU Faculty Director Study Abroad/Away Marketing Guide





# Questions?

