

EDUCATION ABROAD

Pre-Departure e-Resource Guide

In order to complete the Pre-Departure Guide, you MUST review the entire Pre-Departure E-Resource Guide at this link: [NSU's Study Abroad Orientation and e-Resource Guide](#).

Please type your answers and provide all the information requested **on a separate word document**.

Cultural Awareness

1. Your Destination

- a. Click on [*Your Destination*](#), and find [*the World Fact Book*](#).
 - i. Search your study abroad destination and find the follow information under [*People and Society*](#).
 - Language spoken in the country
 - Total population
 - Popular Religions
 - 1 Transnational Issue
- b. Click on the [*County Information*](#) link to visit the Travel.State.Gov website.
 - i. Search your Study Abroad Destination and find the follow information.
 - Vaccinations required
 - Closest embassy to your city
- c. Click on [*Study Abroad Student Handbook*](#) and review the recommended information for your destination.

2. Language

- a. If you are traveling in a non-English speaking country, identify and write **three phrases** that you consider useful to know in the local language.
 - i. Example phrase could include: *Hello, my name is... Where is the bathroom? Where is the closest...?*

Health and Safety

1. Please review all the information under **Your Health**.
 - a. Click on the link for the [*Center for Disease Control and Prevention*](#), and look up your study abroad destination.
 - i. Under [*Stay Healthy and Safe*](#), can you drink tap water in your study abroad destination?
 - ii. Under [*Maintain Personal Security*](#), what is one tip you can use to maintain personal security abroad?
2. Please review all the information under **Your Safety**.
 - a. Click on the link [*A Safe Trip Abroad*](#), and review the Traveler's Check list.
 - b. Under [*Get informed*](#) and [*Monday Matters*](#), Please note the following action items.
 - i. Have you updated your bank about your travel plans?
 - ii. Looked up the exchange rates for your study abroad destination.
 - iii. Please let us know what other arrangements have you made based on your destination.
 - c. Click the link [*Help for Victims of Crime Overseas*](#).
 - i. What are three things the Department can do to help if you are a victim of a crime overseas?
 - ii. What are three things the Department cannot do to help if you are a victim of a crime overseas?

Career Development

1. Click on the link and read the [*Career Tips for your Study Abroad Adventure*](#).
 - a. Identify two key competency skills you plan of developing while abroad and explain why they will be useful post-graduation.

Resources

1. Please review all the information under [*Travel Knowledge*](#).
 - a. Click on the [*Electricity*](#) link.

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- i. Do you have a universal adapter for your electronics? In not, what kind of electric outlet will you have to be prepared for?
 - b. Click on the [Currency Exchange](#) link.
 - i. Play with the currency converter. How much does \$10 equal in the currency used in study abroad destinations? How much does \$500 equal in the currency used in study abroad destinations?
 - c. Click on the [Etiquette](#) link.
 - i. What is the tipping etiquette in the country where you will be studying?
2. Checkout the SA channel and review some study abroad resource from youtube.

Pre-Departure Reflection or Experiential Education and Learning (ExEL) Agreement.

1. If you do **NOT** plan to receive ExEL Unit, after reviewing the [Pre-Departure e-Resource Guide](#), answer the following questions.
 - a. Why do you want to travel abroad? (Write at least five lines)
 - b. Like our Facebook page or follow us on Instagram: [Study Abroad at NSU](#) or [@nsustudyabroad](#).
2. If you plan to receive an ExEL Unit, please read the [Experiential Education and Learning \(ExEL\) Agreement](#) and answer the necessary questions.
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Happy Travels!