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 *Country 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.
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 Experientual 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.
   a. After reading through the Experiential Education and Learning (ExEL) Agreement, please fill out and sign the agreement.
   b. Why do you want to travel abroad? (Write at least five lines)
   c. Like our Facebook page or follow us on Instagram: Study Abroad at NSU or @nsustudyabroad.

Happy Travels!