

Travel documents

It is your responsibility to make sure that you have obtained the necessary travel documents prior to departure.

Passports-

A valid passport is required to enter and exit foreign countries. A passport should be obtained or renewed at least four months prior to your program's departure. If you already have a passport, do make sure that it is valid at least 6 months after your program's end date.

The process for applying or renewing a passport can take up to 8 to 12 weeks to complete and there is a fee for this service. To obtain more information regarding obtaining or renewing a passport please visit the U.S State Department's website here. (http://www.travel.state.gov/passport/passport_1738.html)

If you are not a U.S. citizen, please ensure that your passport from your home country is valid and that you understand the immigration policies for your stay in the U.S. as well as in the country where you will study abroad. You can contact Immigration and Naturalization Services or your current school's International Office with questions about U.S. policy concerning your status; and you can contact the Embassy or Consulate of the country where you will study abroad for information regarding entry regulations in your case.

Visas-

Many countries require study abroad students to also obtain a student visa or residence permit. More information about this process, and whether or not your host country requires such documentation, will be available under your Applicant homepage once you have been accepted into your program.