



Communication Arts

Education Abroad Advising Guide

Your [Academic Advisor](#) and an [Education Abroad Advisor](#) are the best way to get started!

We offer First Advising Sessions every day (M-F) during the semester in our office at 12:30, no appointment necessary. If you're just getting started, this is the best place to learn about the different types of study abroad programs and get answers to your questions about funding, credits, and everything else!

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What courses should I take?

This can be different for every student, but Communication Arts advisors agree that study abroad is a wonderful opportunity for students to take classes that fulfill a variety of requirements including:

- COAR 450 Business of Communication Arts
- COAR 320 Concept Drawing
- COAR 332 Digital Drawing
- COAR 221 Fundamentals of Typography
- COAR electives at the 300 level or higher
- Arts electives at the 300 level or higher
- General education requirements

Be sure to check out our [pre-approved courses database](#) where you can search for courses in your major.

Where should I go?

The reverse side features a list of programs recommended for Comm Arts majors. While these are featured programs, students are not limited to these opportunities.

Want to see more?

Visit our [website](#), use our search feature, and contact an Education Abroad Advisor.

Funding Study Abroad

Studying abroad does not have to be expensive! VCU offers a variety of program options to fit most students' budgets and the Education Abroad office assists students with identifying and applying for funding.

Most financial aid and scholarships that you already receive can be used toward study abroad.

Scholarships:

There are [VCU scholarships](#) to study abroad as well as nationally competitive scholarships, like the [Benjamin A Gilman Scholarship](#) for Pell-grant recipients. Begin your search on our site and at StudyAbroadFunding.org and DiversityAbroad.com



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Recommended Study Abroad Programs: Communication Arts Majors

VCU Programs

VCU in Italy: Florence Revealed

Terms: Summer

Directed by Professor Stephen Alcorn, Florence Revealed offers the opportunity to study in one of the world's foremost cultural capitals. Florence is a quintessential Italian city with cobblestone streets and museums filled with some of the most impressive and historical art and architecture ever created.

VCU in Italy: SRISA

Terms: Academic Year, Fall, Spring, Summer

SRISA gives students the opportunity to take a variety of arts and culture courses in the home of the Renaissance, all taught in English. SRISA offers highly personalized instruction and experiential learning, enhanced with an internship program and art exhibits, guest lecturers, and museum visits.

VCU in India: NID

Terms: Academic Year, Spring

The National Institute of Design (NID) is arguably the top design school in India. Its main campus, located in Ahmedabad, offers four year degrees in eight areas of design including animation, exhibition, product, ceramic & glass, furniture, graphic and textile as well as film & video communication.

VCU in Peru: Visual Arts in the Andes

Terms: Summer

Participants will travel to Cusco for an extended visual exploration of the countryside and culture of the highlands of Peru. A three-day hike along the Inca Trail exposes participants to biological and cultural diversity, culminating at Machu Picchu.

International Student Exchange Program

Choose from over 300 universities around the world offering summer, semester and year-long programs. ISEP offers two types of placements: ISEP Exchange (program fee based on VCU in-state tuition, room and board) and ISEP Direct (based on the host university's tuition, room and board).

Where can students study Communication Arts with ISEP?

- INDONESIA: [BINUS University](#)
- SCOTLAND: [Edinburgh Napier University](#)
- UAE: [American University of Sharjah](#)

... and many more across the globe!

Featured External Programs

AUSTRALIA: [RMIT University](#)

Terms: Academic Year, Fall, Spring

Courses have included: Typography in Design, Introduction to Publication Design, Communication Design Studios, Game Studies, Fine Art Studios, Animation and Interactive Media Studios

ENGLAND: [University of the Arts London](#)

Terms: Academic Year, Fall, Spring, Summer

Courses have included: Design Enquiry and Definition, Design for Art Direction, Game Design, Graphic Design, Typography, Intro to Animation, Visual Narrative, Exploratory Practice: Animation Arts/VFX/3D Computer Animation/Game Arts

ITALY: [Lorenzo de' Medici Institute](#)

Terms: Academic Year, Fall, Spring, Summer

Courses have included: Advanced Drawing II, Brand Design, Digital Sketchbook, New Genres: Intermedia Arts Exploration, Business of Communication Arts, High Renaissance and Mannerism

SOUTH AFRICA: [Stellenbosch University](#)

(available through USAC)

Terms: Academic Year, Fall, Spring

Courses have included: Digital Production, Typography, Visual Narrative & Storytelling, Branding, Web Design, Sustainable Design, Inclusive Design

SOUTH KOREA: [Kookmin University](#)

(available through USAC)

Terms: Academic Year, Fall, Spring

Courses have included: Type and Image, Visual Method, Visual Essay and Image, Information Design, Typography Based on Contents and System

SPAIN: [Elisava](#)

(available through SAI)

Terms: Fall, Spring

Courses have included: The Global and Historic Context of Art and Design, Advanced Principles in Design, Digital Representation Principles, Design for Packaging, Typography and Graphic Design

VIETNAM: [RMIT University Vietnam](#)

Terms: Fall, Spring, Summer

Courses have included: Creative Advertising, Digital Content Creation, New Media New Asia, Painting, Digital Media Studios, Digital Narrative Theory and Practice