



Message from the Director



Dear Students,

As we turn to December and the last few weeks of the semester, I would like to offer a few reminders and suggestions regarding the upcoming January 5, 2025 study abroad deadline.

If you are interested in studying abroad during the 2025-26 academic year (fall, spring, or full year), all students must apply by January 5. In order to be eligible to apply, all students must complete the [Initial Advising Questionnaire](#), attend a [Study Abroad 101](#), and complete the [My OGE App](#). The deadline applies to all semester programs. This includes BC programs and approved external (non-BC) programs. Any student wishing to study abroad next year must be approved by OGE. Students are not permitted to study abroad outside of this established process.

The last Study Abroad 101 is scheduled for December 13, 2024. Please plan accordingly. No further 101s will be scheduled during the winter break.

For meetings with our Program Managers/Study Abroad Advisors, please read the section below for separate instructions.

Once you have completed the 101, please be sure to apply by the January 5 deadline. Please pay particular attention to the "Conversation about Study Abroad Recommendations" in your My OGE

App. OGE only asks students to have a brief conversation with a faculty member; it is not a written recommendation.

A word on applying to study abroad: it is better to apply for approval to study abroad by the deadline. Applying to study abroad is not a binding decision; you can apply and decide to turn down the opportunity. However, OGE does not accept late applications; after January 5, there is no longer an opportunity to be considered for a study abroad program. Additionally, students are not permitted to apply to a semester study abroad program without first being approved by OGE. This means if you are considering a semester or year abroad, you must apply by January 5, 2025.

Please be mindful that Boston College strives to have a balanced study abroad enrollment between the fall and spring semesters. It is likely that some students who are only considering spring semester options may be approved for a fall semester abroad and vice versa. Please plan accordingly as you finalize your six choices. We recommend avoiding selecting programs all in one city or only in one specific term. Students are reminded to fully review any programs they select so as to be as informed as possible regarding their selections. Once the January 5th deadline has passed, there is no opportunity to make changes to your application, which includes your program/term selections.

For our departing spring semester abroad students, OGE hopes you have a wonderful experience abroad!

All students, please note BC and OGE will be closed for the winter holidays starting on December 21st. BC will reopen on December 30 and 31st, closing for the January 1 holiday, and then be fully open again starting January 2. Please plan accordingly during winter break and note that messages sent to the office may be delayed as staff usually take time off at the end of the year.

If you are considering a summer study abroad program, the deadline to apply is February 5, 2025. Boston College [summer faculty-led programs and internships abroad](#) are another great option for students considering spending time abroad.

I encourage you to reach out to OGE if you have any final questions or concerns. Best of luck with your upcoming final papers and exams. On behalf of the OGE, I hope you all have a wonderful holiday season!

Larry Pickener
Director, Office of Global Education

Meeting with Study Abroad Advisors

Individual study abroad advising sessions, 1-on-1 sessions with study abroad advisors, are filling up quickly! However, study abroad advisors offer group advising sessions for most of their programs. These group advising sessions are a good alternative to individual advising appointments and count as the mandatory advising appointment which may be required for some study abroad programs.

To book a group advising session, please go to the [advisor's page](#) and you will see a group advising link. Please check for specific times these meetings are offered and be sure to follow the prompts to book the correct group session you are interested in attending. We also recommend checking the advising appointment pages frequently as space may open up for individual appointments. If group appointments do not work, or you have a brief question, please feel free to email the advisor directly.

If you are heading home for break and already have booked a 1-on-1 session, do not cancel! OGE can conduct these sessions virtually; just email your advisor to let them know and they activate the Google Meet link in the calendar appointment.

Save the Date



Boston College
SUMMER 2025
Study Abroad Fair
Featuring student alumni
 January 22, 2025

1:30-3pm @ Gasson 100

www.bc.edu/global-ed summerabroad@bc.edu



SCAN ME

#BCsummerabroad
 #BCabroad

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Summer 2025 Applications are Filling Quickly!



Did you know that you can study abroad as early as the summer after your freshman year? You can fulfill core, major, or minor requirements with summer courses taught abroad by BC professors. The OGE offers a variety of four-week BC faculty-led programs abroad each summer. Although the application deadline is February 5, program applications are reviewed on a rolling basis and may fill before the deadline. Apply as soon as possible to secure your spot! Advising is required for internships only but the advisors at OGE or the summer faculty are happy to meet with you to answer any questions you may have.

Check out some new and returning BC faculty-led programs for summer 2024!

[Climate Change and Energy Transition: Japan as a Case Study](#)

[Collaborative Service Engineering Project or Innovation through Design Thinking in Manila](#)

[From Coffee to Collective Action: Studying Sustainable and Socially-Responsible Organizations in Melbourne](#)

[Learn to Design & Build Apps for iOS Development](#)

[Modernism in Paris](#)

[South Africa: Religion, Justice & Reconciliation](#)

[Spanish Art History: from Al-Andalus to Picasso](#)

[The Business, History & Politics of Sport](#)

[Unlocking Growth: A Journey through Development Economics in Bangalore](#)

Upcoming Info Sessions

Buenos Aires, Argentina



**Semester Study Abroad Program and
Summer Internship Program**

BC IN BUENOS AIRES

**Puentes Abroad Informational Webinar
Tuesday, December 3, at 2:00pm ET**

Sign up: puentesabroad.com/study-abroad

Buenos Aires is one of the most cosmopolitan cities in South America and has top universities, engaging cultural offerings, easy to navigate city life, and friendly people. Join us to learn more about the summer internship program and the semester study abroad program (with the opportunity to add on an optional, part-time internship experience).

London, Dublin, Geneva

OFFICE OF GLOBAL EDUCATION
**BU Internship Abroad
Info Session**

**Programs available in:
London, Dublin, and Geneva**

🕒 Tuesday, December 10 @ 4PM
📍 Hovey House
258 Hammond Street

www.bc.edu/global-ed

Granada, Spain

Monday, Dec. 2
Granada: 4pm
Zoom: <https://bccte.zoom.us/j/91975084574>

Quito, Ecuador

Monday, Dec. 2
Ecuador: 7pm
Zoom: <https://bccte.zoom.us/j/96008622678>

Curious about spending a semester in beautiful Granada, Spain? Don't miss our info session on Monday, Dec. 2, from 4-4:30 pm on Zoom! Learn all about the Boston College Granada Study Abroad Program, living with local host families, and exciting cultural activities and excursions. This is your chance to get all your questions answered and see if this amazing opportunity is right for you.

Interested in studying abroad in Quito, Ecuador? Join us for an info session to learn all about Boston College's exciting program in this vibrant city!

Highlights include:

- A trip to the Galapagos Islands
- An adventure in the Amazon Rainforest
- Indigenous culture studies
- Opportunities for service to give back to the community

Outpost



**OUTPOST
AN INTERNATIONAL
RETREAT**

**SAVE THE DATE!
REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN!**

**March 28th–March 30th
in Amsterdam**

Questions? Email outpost@bc.edu

Outpost, an international retreat in Amsterdam, is set for March 28th through March 30th. On this three-day, two-night retreat, you will join other BC juniors, faculty, and staff at ClinkNoord and Tolhuistuin Cultural Center to reflect on the academic and personal aspects of your study abroad experience.

Fill out the application through [this Google Form!](#)

Students attending the Outpost retreat are only responsible for their own travel to and from Amsterdam. Housing and meals for the days of the retreat will be covered by BC. All questions can be directed to outpost@bc.edu.

We can't wait to see you in Amsterdam!

Spring Semester Registration Spotlight

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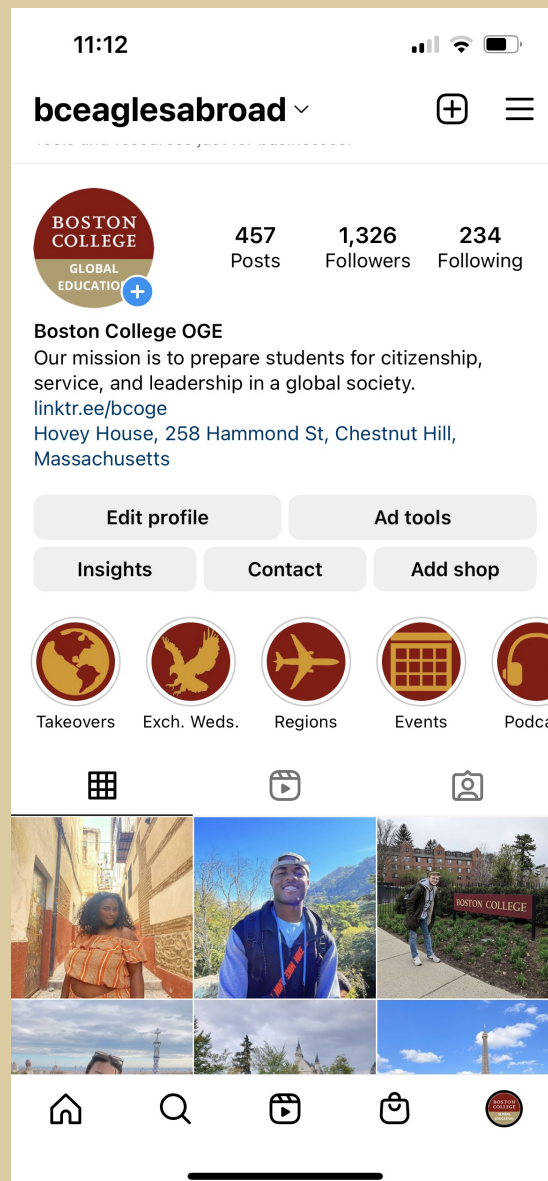
2025SPRG: Cross Currents Seminar: Thinking about Intercultural Competency

Tuesdays from 4:30-5:45; **One credit; Pass/Fail**

Taught by Adrienne Nussbaum, Associate Dean/Director, OISS and Patrica Lowe, Assoc. VP, Office of Institutional Diversity

Students entering the workforce today, no matter what profession or field of study, need to be equipped with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to successfully interact with colleagues, clients, customers and communities who are different from themselves. This seminar will help students develop their knowledge and skills through intentional exposure to relevant theoretical materials, meaningful and structured interactions with diverse groups of people, and reflection on the impact of these experiences on their own identities and their relationships with others. Experience with domestic and international diverse populations will be explored.

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