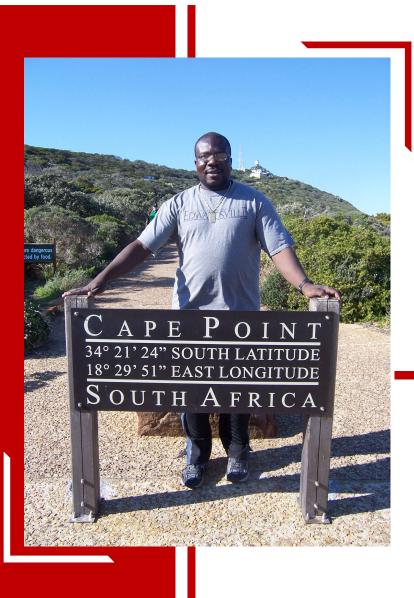
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**Office of International Affairs** 



# Why Study Abroad?



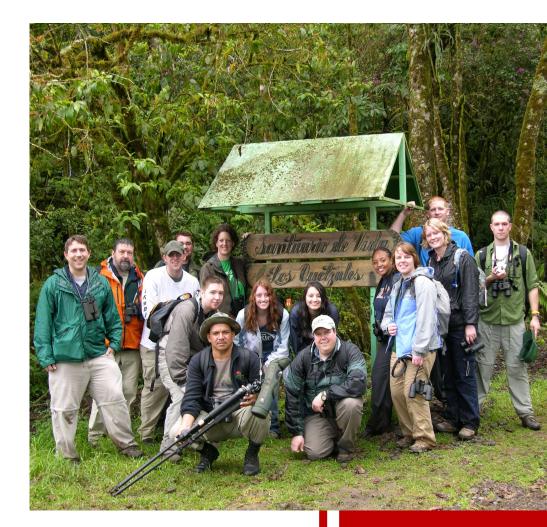


#### **Study Abroad Students**

- Increased awareness of the world
- Decreased prejudice or suspicion
- Unique academic and life experiences
- Personal growth and development

#### **Study Abroad As A High Impact Practice**

- Increased graduation rates and GPA
- Desirable soft skills developed
- Expanded professional network
- Enhanced career opportunities



## Cougars Across the World





#### **Programs**

- Short-term, faculty-led programs (one week to one month)
- Exchange partner schools (semester)
- Direct placement partners (summer or semester)

# **Opportunities**

- Almost 60 countries
- Over 300 programs
- Academic credit
- Internships
- Field research
- Volunteer



#### **Financial Considerations**





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# **Program Costs**

- Varied primarily depending on location
- Many programs are similar in cost to a semester at SIUE.

# **Financial Aid**

- Most financial aid is eligible toward one semester of study abroad.
- Scholarships are available.



# **Next Steps**





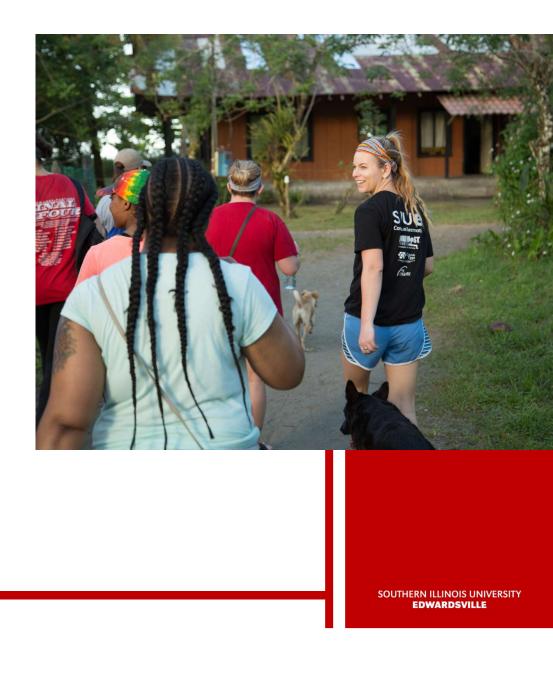
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# **Steps**

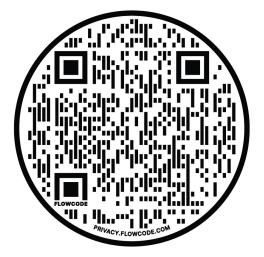
- Students meet with the Study Abroad office
- Begin the SIUE application
- Find out where, when, how much, what courses and more... all before committing or paying anything

# **Steps (cont.)**

- Meet with academic advisor as needed
- Finalize study abroad program
- Approvals finalized
- Final details completed
- Travel!



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