STUDY ABROAD

SOCIOLOGY STUDY ABROAD CREDIT

Study abroad has become an increasingly popular means of expanding the educational experience. At this point, we offer study abroad opportunities once or twice a year. These study abroad experiences are led by Professors Susan Pitchford or Edgar Kiser who have taken students to Zimbabwe, South Africa, Northern Ireland, Spain, and Rome.

You can read about the next upcoming Sociology study abroad opportunity [here](https://soc.washington.edu/study-abroad).

Study abroad credit is typically given in SOC 195 or SOC 395 - Study Abroad: Sociology. For sociology majors, these credits satisfy sociology elective requirements. However, except with special permission, they do not apply to upper division requirements. In most cases, we recommend that sociology majors complete major requirements in residence at UW, and use study abroad credits to satisfy general elective requirements.

For more information on foreign study opportunities, see the UW [Study Abroad website](https://soc.washington.edu/study-abroad).

STUDY ABROAD CREDIT FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS

If you have completed a study abroad program run by a UW department other than SOC, such as CHID, LSJ, or SIS, you will receive credits from that department. If you have studied through a non-UW program or an affiliate program, we will be happy to evaluate study abroad credit for sociology via the following:

- Drop off any relevant materials, such as syllabi, papers, and reading lists, at the front desk in the Sociology advising office (SAV 203). You may bring copies if you would rather keep the originals, or if you need the originals for consultation with other departmental advisors. One of the advisors will review your materials. We will contact you when the evaluation is complete, usually within a few days.
- Please note that the fact that a course covers topics or material similar to that found in sociology courses does not constitute evidence that the course is sociological in nature. For example, a course on women in Greek society could be a sociology course, but it could also be a course in history, political science, economics, anthropology, communications, or any number of other disciplines.
- The only way to determine that a given course is truly a sociology course is to demonstrate that the course is taught primarily from a sociological perspective. The best evidence of such an approach lies in the required readings and assignments. Therefore syllabi or other course materials are the key elements in determining whether a course meets the disciplinary criteria of a sociology course. Course descriptions alone are usually not sufficient.