

STUDY ABROAD FEATURE COMPARISON TOOL

This optional form is to help you compare program features.

PROGRAM NAMES:					
Location / University Pros & Cons					
Dates					
Language	Locals Speak: _____ Courses in: _____ Prerequisite? Y / N	Locals Speak: _____ Courses in: _____ Prerequisite? Y / N	Locals Speak: _____ Courses in: _____ Prerequisite? Y / N	Locals Speak: _____ Courses in: _____ Prerequisite? Y / N	Locals Speak: _____ Courses in: _____ Prerequisite? Y / N
Admission Requirements	GPA: _____ Competitive? Y / N				
Courses Available					
Course Style Options	<input type="checkbox"/> With locals <input type="checkbox"/> Only int'l students <input type="checkbox"/> Only NDSU students	<input type="checkbox"/> With locals <input type="checkbox"/> Only int'l students <input type="checkbox"/> Only NDSU students	<input type="checkbox"/> With locals <input type="checkbox"/> Only int'l students <input type="checkbox"/> Only NDSU students	<input type="checkbox"/> With locals <input type="checkbox"/> Only int'l students <input type="checkbox"/> Only NDSU students	<input type="checkbox"/> With locals <input type="checkbox"/> Only int'l students <input type="checkbox"/> Only NDSU students
Housing Options	<input type="checkbox"/> Dorm <input type="checkbox"/> Apartment <input type="checkbox"/> Host Family <input type="checkbox"/> Hotels/Hostels	<input type="checkbox"/> Dorm <input type="checkbox"/> Apartment <input type="checkbox"/> Host Family <input type="checkbox"/> Hotels/Hostels	<input type="checkbox"/> Dorm <input type="checkbox"/> Apartment <input type="checkbox"/> Host Family <input type="checkbox"/> Hotels/Hostels	<input type="checkbox"/> Dorm <input type="checkbox"/> Apartment <input type="checkbox"/> Host Family <input type="checkbox"/> Hotels/Hostels	<input type="checkbox"/> Dorm <input type="checkbox"/> Apartment <input type="checkbox"/> Host Family <input type="checkbox"/> Hotels/Hostels
Housing Features	<input type="checkbox"/> Meals <input type="checkbox"/> Internet <input type="checkbox"/> Laundry				
Extras	<input type="checkbox"/> Internships <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteering <input type="checkbox"/> Excursions <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Notes:	<input type="checkbox"/> Internships <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteering <input type="checkbox"/> Excursions <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Notes:	<input type="checkbox"/> Internships <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteering <input type="checkbox"/> Excursions <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Notes:	<input type="checkbox"/> Internships <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteering <input type="checkbox"/> Excursions <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Notes:	<input type="checkbox"/> Internships <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteering <input type="checkbox"/> Excursions <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Notes:
My Rating	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★	★★★★★

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Here are some helpful hints on completing this form.

PROGRAM NAMES:	List the name of the program being compared. It might also be useful to note if it is EXCHANGE , DIRECT , FACULTY-LED , or AFFILIATE .
Location / University Pros & Cons	Are there pros and cons to the location, the university, or some other aspect of the program?
Dates	When does this program start and end?
Language	What language(s) do the locals speak? (If the locals often speak English in addition to another language, make note of this.) Does this program have classes entirely in another language or offer the option to learn a language? Is there a language prerequisite to participate?
Admission Requirements	Is there a certain GPA requirement to apply? Is the program application process competitive (see below)? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISEP EXCHANGE: Yes, a competitive application process; or • NDSU EXCHANGE, DIRECT, FACULTY-LED, and AFFILIATE: No, not a competitive application process, though securing a place on the program may be on a first-come, first-serve basis.
Courses Available	Are there certain classes or areas of study that this program offers that are useful? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EXCHANGE, DIRECT, and AFFILIATE: See the academics page of this guide for more information about how courses abroad can be approved to replace major, minor, or general education courses at NDSU; or • FACULTY-LED: These programs are an NDSU course or courses that are set for the program.
Course Style Options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EXCHANGE and DIRECT: Most often courses are with locals but the university may offer courses only for international students; • FACULTY-LED: Usually only with other NDSU students; or • AFFILIATE: May offer the opportunity to take courses with locals, but most often courses are with other international students only.
Housing Options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EXCHANGE, DIRECT, and AFFILIATE: Usually dorms, apartments, or homestays; or • FACULTY-LED: Most often hotels or hostels, but some programs may utilize other types of housing.
Housing Features	Varies by housing option and program design.
Extras	Other features that may be included in programs. If there are many included, it may be helpful to make note of the details on a separate sheet.
My Rating	Looking at all of these aspects of the program, how would you rate each option?