National Student Exchange (NSE) Advising Checklist

What is NSE?
- Exchange in Canada, the U.S. and it’s territories
- You can earn credits to count towards major, minor, and gen. ed. requirements
- You can only study on NSE once
- You can study for an academic year, fall, or spring semesters
- Nearly 200 host schools to choose from (refer to the NSE brochure or website for complete list)

Placement/application process
- Applications open Oct. 15th on our website – once completed, I will send you instructions for the NSE application
- NDSU applications will be due February 1st for full consideration
- Choose 3-5 schools you would like to got to – at least one has to be an “excellent” school
  - Excellent: typically accepts all qualified applicants.
  - Good: typically accepts most applicants (75%) but not all.
  - Competitive: typically accept fewer than 50% of applicants.
  - Most Competitive: typically accepts fewer than 25% of applicants.
- You will be placed at a school after the conference in March – you will need to work with your study abroad and academic advisors to complete additional information post-placement

Finances
- You may only apply to “Plan B” schools – where you will pay NDSU tuition and fees
- Room and board, meals, course-related fees, and transportation costs are the student’s responsibility
- Room and board will be paid to the host university unless students live in off-campus housing
- Eligible students are able to use financial aid, scholarships, grants, and private loans they already receive – this will all show on the student’s account

Eligibility
- Must be enrolled as a full-time student at NDSU
- At least sophomore standing (you can begin the application process fall of your freshman year)
- Must have at least a 2.5 GPA the semester before you go
- Must be in good standing with NDSU both academically and behaviorally
- Must maintain eligibility while at the host school

After Exchange
- Request that a transcript from your host school be sent to NDSU
- The process of it getting entered on your NDSU transcript is about 1-2 months

Resources
- NDSU study abroad website (for our application information)
- NSE.org (detailed information on NSE)
- Your NDSU study abroad advisor will help you along the way!