STUDY ABROAD @BMC

From the Desk of Tracy Weber, Director of Global Education, Bryn Mawr College



A New Semester

As the deadline for students to apply for College approval to study abroad in AY 23-24 approaches, I am more appreciative than ever of the important role faculty play in our students' lives - not only in the classroom but by providing academic support and guidance as students look for opportunities outside the classroom to further their academic, personal, and professional goals. Major advisors in particular help our students plan to ensure that studying abroad supports and even accelerates their learning. I had the pleasure of seeing many major advisors recently at the Community of Practice event, and was able to express my appreciation in person. For those of you I have not yet met, I welcome the opportunity to chat, answer your questions, and collaborate; you can reach me any time at tweber1@brynmawr.edu or 610-526-7352.

-Tracy

WINTER 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER 15

Applications Open for Approval to Study Abroad in AY 23-24

DECEMBER 1

Applications Close for Oxford, LSE, ISFA-UCL, BCSP, DIS, IHP, Duke ICCS, Spelman

FEBRUARY 15

Applications Close for All Other Approved Programs

MARCH 15 Students Notified of Approval

Spring 23 Study Abroad Update

Sixty two Bryn Mawr students studied abroad this past Fall, and 42 are planning to study abroad this Spring, in the UK, Europe, Asia, Africa, South America, and Australia. While Europe remains a popular destination for students, the lifting of most border and pandemic restrictions has allowed students to pursue opportunities in such countries as Peru, Ecuador, Egypt, Morocco, South Korea and South Africa. Although some borders continue to remain closed, particularly China and Russia, it is likely that the next application cycle will see an even greater amount of participation in overseas study across a diverse group of students, majors and locations.

The Passport Initiative, a joint effort of the offices of Study Abroad and Global Bryn Mawr, encourages all incoming students to apply for a passport if they don't hold one already. Funding for passport application fees and guidance to support a successful application will be offered. Study Abroad was a grant recipient of IIE's Passport Project, which awarded \$4000 to the College to fund passports for first year Pell-eligible students.



Meet the Study Abroad Student Coordinators



The office is so fortunate to have seniors Kayla Thompson and Lyla Poonawalla serving as Student Coordinators this AY 22-23.

Lyla is a double major in Economics and Psychology. She spent the spring of her junior year at the Sotheby's Institute of Art in London, immersed in everything from analyzing emerging art market trends to assessing the impact of globalization on modern art.

Kayla is a French & Francophone Studies Major and a Films Studies Minor. She studied abroad in Paris, France through the Academic Program Abroad (APA) program where she lived with a host family and attended classes at several local universities for 5 months.

Events

More events will be scheduled throughout the semester and posted at brynmawr.edu/study abroad All students are welcome to join an informal series of chats with various study abroad experts, to explore different topics and ask questions.

Summer Opportunities Fair: Global and Local - February 3 Considering Cultural Identity Abroad with SIT - February 8

Exploring Study in Locations Off the Beaten Path with IFSA - February 21