

**CSU Office of International Programs - Education Abroad**

"**Colorado State University sponsored programs**" are formal agreements which distinguish CSU strategic partnerships and programmatic relationships. Some of the biggest advantages of CSU-sponsored programs involve quality assurance and being able to leverage institutional knowledge and relationships for the benefit of CSU departments and students. A diverse array of program types provides opportunities for the greatest number of CSU students.

Program Types <i>Currently 750 programs available on website</i>	Description	Credit type	Term	Costs	Level of Support to students	Involvement from CSU sponsoring department
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**CSU Sponsored Faculty-Led Programs**  
*(for credit or not for credit)*  
*approx. 40 programs*

CSU faculty or staff direct programs and teach students. Programs are usually 2-6 weeks in duration and may offer a unique but limited set of courses. Students get to know faculty or staff while exploring common interests. Excellent for new travelers or less-traveled destinations. "Featured" program on the OIP Education Abroad website.

CSU, through Division of Continuing Education/ OnlinePlus or not for credit

Summer, winter, spring break & occasionally semester

CSU DCE tuition (if offered for credit) - Program Fees cover housing, faculty expenses, insurance, local travel, etc. OIP bills for all expenses & ensures faculty and fees are paid based on CSU financial protocols

High (provided by CSU faculty and OIP as well as host organization or institution)

Program development, academic oversight, and active program promotion and orientation

**CSU Sponsored Reciprocal Exchange Programs**  
*approx. 20 programs*

Students are nominated by partner institutions and pay home institution's tuition. In exchange, host institution waives or pays for the international student's tuition. Typically most affordable option for Colorado residents. Depending on the institution, requires students to be independent and proactive. "Featured" program on OIP Education Abroad website.

Transfer

Semester, year & possibly summer

CSU tuition and fees (All other fees paid directly by student to partner institution.)

Medium (mainly provided by host institution and CSU OIP)

Academic advising (for outbound and inbound students) as well as active program promotion

**CSU Sponsored Direct Enrollment Programs**  
*approx. 10 programs*

Direct enrollment is an option for students to study at a foreign university as a visiting student. With exchange partnerships, direct enrollment can be an option if the exchange is out of balance. Requires students to be independent & proactive.

Transfer

Semester, year & summer

For affiliated partnerships, students pay host institution's tuition and fees through CSU. Costs vary widely based on region and institution.

Low to Medium (mainly provided by host institution)

Academic advising and active program promotion

**Affiliated Provider Programs**  
*approx. 13 providers*

Affiliated programs are offered by third party program providers. CSU affiliates have been chosen for their academics, reputation, & attention to student health & safety. Providers are sometimes utilized for higher levels of student support, a broader range of destinations / disciplines or for support services.

Transfer

Summer, winter, semester & year

All program fees paid directly by student to program provider.

High (provided by affiliated provider)

Academic advising

**Research, Internship, Service Learning**  
*Options through affiliated providers with room for CSU developed opportunities*

These programs can be in many formats and are the biggest area of growth for international education. There are many opportunities through affiliated program providers, partner institutions, governmental programs and professional organizations.

CSU, transfer or not for credit

Summer, semester & year

Students typically pay fees & expenses directly to provider. Most opportunities are unpaid. Programs without credit are not eligible for financial aid (e.g.loans/ grants)

Highly variable (mainly provided by host institution or provider)

Program development, active program promotion and orientation, and potentially independent study oversight