



FAA International Programs

COLLEGE OF FINE & APPLIED ARTS

Sustainable Design majors,

If you hope to study abroad in 2027 or 2028, we recommend you start your research with the programs below or on the recommended programs by major in [My Study Abroad Program Search](#). You may search the full list of programs in [MyStudyAbroad](#). Applications are due by September 15th for Spring abroad (some programs have a June 15 priority deadline) and by February 15th for Summer or Fall abroad.

For general study abroad advising, please schedule with Andy [here](#). For course planning your study abroad, please meet with BSSD Coordinator [Ashley Smart](#).

Illinois in Vienna Program (liVP)

There are multiple universities that you have access to in Vienna (some are more landscape planning, landscape design and sustainability focused, others are more urban design, urban data science and engineering focused, others have urban planning departments, business sustainability, there are many options!)

U of I students are required to take one [German language course](#)

U of I students can also elect to take a general education course on [Austria and Europe](#), on [EU and US Climate Change Mitigation](#), a [Global Internship](#), or other courses taught by IL in Vienna programs

About 30 U of I students study abroad in Vienna, Austria every fall!

The most robust source of information on Illinois in Vienna programs is [here](#).

Program Administration: This program is open to FAA students, but is administered by [LAS International Programs](#). FAA students have priority in the FALL term.

[Fall application due February 1](#)



Concert of the Vienna Philharmonic in front of Schönbrunn Palace, Vienna © Superbass / CC-BY-SA-3.0

University of Sheffield in the United Kingdom

About: A large institution in a large city surrounded by hillsides and a junction of five rivers with the most number of trees per person in all of Europe. Adjacent to Peak District National Park. Education for Sustainable Development is embedded into curriculum as part of a campus sustainability strategy.

Courses: [Course List](#) (many UP/LArch/Arch/SD). Review pre-approved courses [here](#). Check out the Sheffield Department of Urban Studies and Planning [here](#)!



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Location: Sheffield is 2.5 hours to London and 1 hour to Manchester, by train.

Cost: \$; view budget on costs tab [here](#).

Program Administration: This program is administered by [FAA International Programs](#).



SIT, Omiya Campus © Shibaura Institute of Technology

Shibaura Institute of Technology

About: Experience hands on-learning in the capital of Japan with over 100 English-based courses and a wide range of study options including Industrial Design, Urban Planning and Design, Architecture, and Engineering. Tokyo, Japan is a busy capital city with 9.3 million residents, but SIT has only 9,000 students and the Department of Engineering and Design has a building on the [Toyosu campus](#). It is an urban campus with state-of-the-art facilities to develop human nature, located in Toyosu, the heart of the trendsetting Tokyo Bay district.

Courses: Review pre-approved courses [here](#); Industrial Design, Urban Planning, and SD Major Electives electives, such as Environmentally Sustainable Analysis, Exercises in Inventive and Creative Design, Practice on CAD/CAM, Environmentally Sustainable Engineering, Practice on Design Project, Architectural Design Studio, Studio: Environmental Land Use Planning.

Location: Tokyo, Japan

Cost: \$; view budget on costs tab [here](#).

Program Administration: This program is administered by [FAA International Programs](#).

DIS Copenhagen in Denmark

About: Created in 1959, DIS is a non-profit study abroad foundation based in Copenhagen which provides study abroad experiences to college students (mostly American). The program includes a tour to another country and excursions around Copenhagen. A large on-site staff is available to support you. Housing options are homestays, student housing, and residential communities.



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Courses: Review pre-approved courses [here](#); [DIS Course Finder](#); ARTD 451 and UP courses. Course titles include European Urban Life and Development/ Getting There: Transportation in Urban Europe/ Livability in the Modern City/ Urban Design Studio/ European Urban Design/Bicycle Urbanism.

Location: Campus is in downtown Copenhagen

Cost: \$\$\$ View budget sheet [here](#)

DIS also offers a [summer session](#), with opportunities to study abroad in Copenhagen and Stockholm or Copenhagen.

Program Administration: This program is administered by [FAA International Programs](#).

University of Navarra in Pamplona, Spain

About: UNAV is a private research university with a museum of contemporary art on-campus. Students can study abroad in the fall or spring term and host over 600 exchange students each year. The campus is in the middle of the mid-sized city and the mix of Spanish and Basque cultures converge through festivals, music, and art throughout the city.

Courses: The [UNAV School of Architecture and Design](#) offers courses that FAA majors and minors may be interested in [the following courses](#) taught in English that are open to exchange students: Creative Lab: Fashion, Product, or Service; Photography and Visual Storytelling; Intro to Photography; Visual Culture; The Legacy of the Craftsmanship (Arts & Crafts Heritage).

Location: Pamplona is in northern Spain, about 50 miles from the coast and less than two hours from Bilbao. It is best known for the Running of the Bulls in July.

Cost: \$; view budget on costs tab [here](#).

Program Administration: This program is administered by [FAA International Programs](#).



"Sunset over Florence at Piazza Michelangelo" by jiuguangw is licensed under creative commons BY-SA 2.0.

Lorenzo de Medici in Italy

About: [Florence](#) is the ideal choice for those interested in studying buildings, urban design, film and media, art, fashion, jewelry design, interior design, graphic design, culture, food and nutrition, and more. Students experience firsthand the inspiring culture of both historic and contemporary Italy, as LdM integrates formal, university-level learning with an emphasis on personal growth and community responsibility. Housing options: Single or Double room apartment or homestay with local Italian family. This program offers a [summer session](#).

Courses: Potential to fulfill ARTD 451, ARCH 321, ARTD326 as course substitutes and plenty of SD Major Electives. Almost every course at LdM is pre-approved and articulated [here](#).

Class names such as Sustainable Arch, Arch in its Environment, Sustainable Design in Interior Design, the Built Environment of Florence, Sustainable Food, Public Space Design, Art in Florence, Palaces of Florence, Intro to Fashion Industry, GD Project Development, Intro Digital Photography, Interdisciplinary Design, Ceramics I, Images and Words, Art in 14th Florence, Fashion Marketing.

ITAL courses are for elective only (1 is required), will not count toward a minor/language requirement.

Location: Campus is in downtown Florence.

Cost: \$\$; view budget sheet on costs tab [here](#).

Program Administration: This program is administered by [FAA International Programs](#).



"The Alnarp Castle, SLU" by Jenny Svernnås-Gillner, SLU is licensed under CC BY-SA 3.0.

Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences

Program Administration: This program is open to FAA students, but is administered by ACES Study Abroad, aces-studyabroad@illinois.edu.

About: [SLU](#)'s concept is to develop mankind's understanding and sustainable use of biological natural resources. The university conducts research and offers educational programs in areas related to the use and preservation of biological resources.

Courses: [SLU course search](#); UIUC equivalents to LA 452, LA 437, LA 438, LA focused electives, and SD major electives. Review pre-approved courses [here](#).

Location: SLU has two campuses, in Alnarp and Uppsala and course offerings will differ for each campus. View a video on the Alnarp campus [here](#), where many landscape courses are offered. Alnarp is in southern Sweden, 50 minutes from Copenhagen, Denmark.

Cost: \$; view budget sheet on costs tab [here](#).

Faculty-Led, Short-Term Options

[FAA Faculty-Led: Community-Based Sustainable Design at Casa Pueblo in Puerto Rico](#)

- Spring break
- Prof. Yazmin Crespo Claudio, Assistant Professor, School of Architecture
- Course: ARCH 499, 4 credit hours

[FAA Faculty-Led: London: Urban Design & Sustainability](#)

- Spring break
- Prof. Ben LeRoy, Academic Advisor & Instructor, Department of Urban and Regional Planning
- Course: UP 494, 3 credit hours

[FAA Faculty-Led: Basque Design Center in Spain](#)

- Late May
- Prof. Savio Mukachirayil
- Course: FAA 313, 3 credit hours

[FAA Faculty-Led: Urban Sustainability in Copenhagen](#)

- May 18-28, 2027
- Prof. Dustin Allred
- Course: UP 494, 3 credit hours



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