

# PS222-120 Study Year Abroad

**20/21**

**Department**

Psychology

**Level**

Undergraduate Level 2

**Module leader**

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**Credit value**

120

**Module duration**

20 weeks

**Assessment**

100% coursework

**Study location**

Study abroad institution

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## Description

### Introductory description

To provide students with the opportunity to study abroad for an academic year.

### Module aims

To provide students with the opportunity to

- Demonstrate the ability to study abroad for a year at a host University approved by the department.
- Experience and gain a deeper understanding of the social and cultural environment of the host city and country.
- Improve foreign language skills [in exchanges where the language is not English].
- Broaden understanding and knowledge of their subject specialism(s).
- Travel abroad and achieve personal development in preparation for employment and global citizenship.

### Outline syllabus

This is an indicative module outline only to give an indication of the sort of topics that may be covered. Actual sessions held may differ.

Students must have completed level 4 of the course for which this is an approved module with an average mark of at least 60%. In cases where an average mark of 60 has not been achieved, students who have achieved a 2:2 average and have strong tutor support may be considered. Students must also demonstrate within their application that they have sufficient language skills or capacity for language learning, as appropriate for the host institution to which they are applying. Tutor support and their work with their tutor during the 1st year will be considered to satisfy the Department of Psychology that they can be good ambassadors for the Department and for Warwick during the year abroad.

The syllabus will be arranged on an individual basis in consultation with the department and the host institution. It will normally comprise a combination of taught courses and any language training required. It is subject to the approval of the Year Abroad Coordinator. Where possible, modules selected should not duplicate those taken by students when they are at Warwick. Any amendments to the approved study plan must be approved by the Year Abroad Coordinator. Students are expected to take the same total workload as that of a typical full time student at the host institution and be equivalent to 120 credits at Warwick.

## **Learning outcomes**

By the end of the module, students should be able to:

- On completion of this module students will have:
  - Broadened their knowledge and understanding of their subject specialism(s).
- Developed the qualities and transferable skills necessary for working or studying in another country and in a different academic system.
- Developed enhanced oral and written language skills through the demands of study in a different country.
- Developed transferable skills in sensitivity to diversity in terms of culture and inter-cultural competencies.

## **International**

Students will study in one of a number of possible international institutions

## **Subject specific skills**

Subject specific skills will vary dependent on the modules undertaken at the host institution.

## **Transferable skills**

Enhanced oral and written language skills

Sensitivity to cultural diversity

Inter-cultural competencies

Adaption to new working and learning environments

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## Study

### Study time

Type	Required
Other activity	200 hours (17%)
Placement	1,000 hours (83%)
Total	1,200 hours

### Private study description

No private study requirements defined for this module.

### Other activity description

students will be undertaking modules at their study abroad institution which must equate to 120 CATS. This will involved lectures, seminars and other activities as detailed in their host institution's timetable.

### Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

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## Assessment

You must pass all assessment components to pass the module.

### Assessment group A1

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Assessment component			
Study Year Abroad - Reflective learning portfolio	100%		Yes (extension)

Students will be assessed by the host institution according to their normal procedures. An official transcript of the grades obtained must be provided. Resits will be assessed by the same methodology as the first attempt. Should a student be required to resit an examination at the host institution where this falls outside of the normal Warwick academic year, student performance will

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certification**

be assessed by a formal presentation or structured interview at Warwick with questions allowing the exploration of the skills, knowledge and attributes gained during the year abroad.

Students must submit a reflective learning portfolio recording the student's experiences of the period abroad and a 3,000 word written summary related to the stated outcomes of the module. The summary should contain contextual information on the host institution, the cultural and academic environments, the skills developed and how they relate to personal, academic and career development. Students are also expected to give a presentation to students and staff.

Reassessment component is the same

**Feedback on assessment**

Provided by host university. \r\nStudents will receive feedback on their reflective portfolio online and verbal feedback on their presentations.

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**Availability****Courses**

This module is Core for:

- Year 3 of UPSA-C801 Undergraduate Psychology (with Intercalated year)

This module is Core optional for:

- Year 3 of UPSA-C806 Undergraduate Psychology with Education Studies (with Intercalated Year)