

LF309-120 Study Year Abroad

26/27

Department

Life Sciences

Level

Undergraduate Level 3

Module leader

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Credit value

120

Module duration

36 weeks

Assessment

100% coursework

Study location

Host Institution

Description

Introductory description

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Module aims

The aim of this module is to enable students to increase their competitiveness on the job market by gaining experience beyond their degree, by studying abroad for a year. This will enable them to:

- Demonstrate the ability to study abroad for a year at a host University.
- 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

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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 SLS International Exchange Coordinator. Modules selected must not duplicate those taken by students when they are at Warwick but must be chosen to provide adequate preparation for modules students will take when they return to Warwick. Students are expected to take the same total workload as that of a typical full time student at the host institution. Overall, during the year at both Warwick and the host institution abroad, the student's study load must be equivalent to 120 credits at Warwick.

Learning outcomes

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

- Demonstrate skills that are highly sought after in the professional environment, such as independence, initiative and adaptability.
- Develop enhanced oral and written language skills (in some cases in a language other than English) through the demands of study in a different country.
- Develop transferable skills in sensitivity to diversity in terms of culture and people.
- Develop the qualities and transferable skills necessary for working or studying in another country and in a different academic system.

International

Study Year Abroad.

Subject specific skills

The study abroad period will enable students to broaden their knowledge and understanding of their subject specialism or explore other areas of academic interest.

Transferable skills

Exploration of the twelve core skill areas targeted in the Warwick Award:

- Communication
- Critical Thinking
- Digital Literacy
- Ethical Values
- Information Literacy
- Intercultural Awareness
- Organisational Awareness

- Problem Solving
 - Professionalism
 - Self-Awareness
 - Sustainability
 - Teamwork
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Study

Study time

Type	Required
Other activity	1,190 hours (99%)
Assessment	10 hours (1%)
Total	1,200 hours

Private study description

No private study requirements defined for this module.

Other activity description

Year abroad: 9 months

Costs

Category	Description	Funded by	Cost to student
Field trips, placements and study abroad	Students will be responsible for the cost of visas, passport, health insurance, travel and cost of living in the host country/university. Business travel insurance will be provided by Warwick university.	Student	

Assessment

You do not need to pass all assessment components to pass the module.

Assessment group A1

Weighting

Study time

Eligible for self-certification

Assessment component

Study Year Abroad 100% 10 hours Yes (extension)

This will be assessed on a pass/fail basis. Students will be asked to submit a 1500-word reflective essay, outlining both the specialist skills and the transferable skills developed as part of their year abroad, how this influenced their career plans and any further developments needed to achieve their long-term goals.

Reassessment component is the same

Feedback on assessment

Feedback on taught modules and internships carried out as part of the year abroad will be provided by the host institution.

Availability

Courses

This module is Core for:

- Year 3 of ULFA-C702 Undergraduate Biochemistry (with Placement Year)

This module is Core optional for:

- Year 3 of ULFA-C702 Undergraduate Biochemistry (with Placement Year)
- Year 3 of ULFA-C113 Undergraduate Biological Sciences (with Placement Year)
- Year 3 of ULFA-CB18 Undergraduate Biomedical Science with Placement Year

This module is Optional for:

- Year 3 of ULFA-C702 Undergraduate Biochemistry (with Placement Year)
- Year 3 of ULFA-C113 Undergraduate Biological Sciences (with Placement Year)
- Year 3 of ULFA-B141 Undergraduate Neuroscience (with Placement Year) (BSc)