

PX278-120 Study Year Abroad

26/27

Department

Physics

Level

Undergraduate Level 2

Module leader

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Credit value

120

Module duration

52 weeks

Assessment

100% coursework

Study location

As chosen by student

Description

Introductory description

The actual experience of the year abroad will vary for students, dependent on the country and University attended.

Module aims

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.

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 tutor. 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. Any amendments to the approved study plan must be approved by the study abroad tutor. 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:

- Show broadened understanding of their subject specialism(s)
- Demonstrate the qualities and transferable skills necessary for working or studying in another country and in a different academic system
- Communicate orally and in writing to meet the demands of study in a different country

International

Year abroad

Subject specific skills

Broader perspective on physics and mathematics generally

Transferable skills

Analytical, communication, organisational, problem-solving, self-study

Study

Study time

Type	Required
Other activity	900 hours (75%)
Placement	300 hours (25%)
Total	1,200 hours

Private study description

No private study requirements defined for this module.

Other activity description

A total of 1,200 hours (100 hours per 10 UK credits). Teaching and learning activities will be as stipulated by the host institution.

Costs

No further costs have been identified for this module.

Assessment

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

Assessment group A

	Weighting	Study time	Eligible for self-certification
Assessment component			
Assessment Method	100%		No
1. 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, or by the methods outlined in 2 below. OR			
2. A reflective learning diary 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. [In addition there may be a formal presentation or structured interview with questions allowing the exploration of the skills, knowledge and attributes gained during the year abroad related to the stated outcomes of the module.]			

Reassessment component is the same

Feedback on assessment

As provided by the host institution for its own students. \n\nIn addition, students are required to submit a 2 page progress report for the departmental study abroad tutor at the end of terms 1 and 2 (dates to be specified in each case). Students must forward the examination and assessment results each term as soon as they are available. Students meet the study abroad tutor for a

debriefing upon their return.

Availability

Courses

This module is Core for:

- Year 3 of UPXA-GF14 Undergraduate Mathematics and Physics (with Intercalated Year)
- Year 3 of UPXA-F301 Undergraduate Physics (with Intercalated Year)
- Year 3 of UPXA-F3NE Undergraduate Physics with Business Studies (with Intercalated Year)