International Study
## Exchange Program vs Study Abroad

### Exchange Program
- Chose between studying at more than 137 different institutions in 39 countries that have an exchange program with Western
- Pay regular tuition to Western instead of paying international fees
- Receive guidance from International learning staff
- Receive assistance from partner universities

### Study Abroad
- May apply directly to any university of their choice anywhere in the world, unlike exchange students
- Need to obtain a Letter of Permission form. Apply through your Academic Counsellor
- Pay international fees to their host institution
- Western has entered into Study Abroad agreements with a few key partners in Spain, and International learning staff provide guidance and support for these particular Study Abroad Partners

Applicants may only take a maximum of 5.0 credits on a Letter of Permission or Exchange towards a Western degree.
Exchange Program

Who is eligible to go on exchange?

- Eligibility is based on your academic achievement.
- Applicants must have a 70% average and be in good academic standing.
- Applicants are evaluated based on their application, letters of reference and transcript.
- While on exchange students must be registered as full time students, paying full time tuition to Western.
Exchange Program

Where can you go?

Exchange Program

**Important dates:**

*October - November:* attend info session, research destinations and institutions, and prepare application

*December 1st 2016:* deadline for St. Andrews, OBW, ORA, OMG, OJS, Australia, New Zealand and the UK

*January 16th 2017:* deadline for all other exchange programs, including Killam

*January:* interviews (when required)

*Late February/March:* Offers made for exchange

*March/April:* attend Pre-Departure sessions
Study Abroad
Criteria:

- Must be studying at an accredited university
- Course approval is subject to your home Faculty/Department
- A signed Letter of Permission form must be submitted to your academic counsellor at least one month prior to classes commencing
- Western has Study Abroad partnerships with key Universities in Spain. These partnerships can be found on Atlas, and guidance and support for these programs is provided by the International Learning team
Study Abroad

Western Study Abroad programs:

**Spain** (apply to Western, pay fees to host)
- Universitat Autonoma de Barcelona (UAB), Barcelona
- Universidad Pablo de Olavide (UPO), Seville
- Universidad de Salamanca, Salamanca

**Study Abroad Options Affiliated with Western** (apply and pay directly to the institution)
- United Kingdom: Bader International Study Centre
- Israel: Tel Aviv University

Students who choose to Study Abroad may apply to any university in the world, unlike exchange students.
Scholarships & Funding

- Western Awards
- External Awards
- Region-Specific External Awards

Please visit [http://www.uwo.ca/international/learning/go_abroad/funding.html](http://www.uwo.ca/international/learning/go_abroad/funding.html) for detailed information on these awards.
International Study as a SASAH student

- International study isn’t a requirement of the SASAH program, but students are encouraged to undertake some sort of international study during their time at Western.
- Most SASAH students travel abroad during Year Three. Students are welcome to do either one term or both terms abroad.
- If you are contemplating doing your third year abroad, please speak to Joel about the courses you want to take at your host university.
International Study as a SASAH student

Guidelines for SASAH year Three course equivalents abroad:

- They should be upper-level (Year Three or Four) courses.
- If you find an interesting Year Two course on a topic you’d never find at Western, that works.
- Find courses that speak to your research interests.
- Year One course equivalencies will not be approved.
International Study as a SASAH student

Funding:

SASAH offers 10 $500 travel awards for which you can apply. We reserve these for students travelling abroad for extended periods of time and for students undertaking shorter-term international study experiences.

For additional funding offered through Western International, please visit http://www.uwo.ca/international/learning/go_abroad/funding.html