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The Office of International and Off-Campus Programs offers qualified students the opportunity to study at educational institutions abroad and on campuses in the United States, its territories, and in Canada. TCNJ students can study for an academic year, a semester, or the summer. Teacher education candidates can meet part of their student teaching requirements abroad through the Global Student Teaching program. With careful planning, students who study off-campus should expect to make normal progress toward graduation.

All programs offered by TCNJ are pre-approved by the faculty, and credits are transferable and applicable to specific degree requirements. Declared students from all majors are encouraged to apply. Instruction is in English at many participating institutions abroad. TCNJ also encourages students to study languages in non-English-speaking countries. Classes are offered at beginning, intermediate and advanced levels.

Study abroad applications should be submitted to the Office of International and Off-Campus Programs (Green Hall 111) by late February for the following summer, fall semester, or entire year; applications are due in late September for the following spring semester. National Student Exchange (NSE) applications are due in February of the year preceding participation. Global Student Teaching is only offered in the spring semester, and the application is due late February. Selection for off-campus study is competitive, and students are selected on the basis of their academic qualifications, references, and potential for success.

Depending upon the program, students may be able to study off campus for approximately the same amount of money as it would cost to study at TCNJ. However, some international programs may cost more. All quoted program prices are approximate and subject to change each year. Most students receiving financial aid may apply those funds to their program costs, although there are some exceptions. Students planning to study off campus should anticipate paying for their travel, books, and personal spending money. In addition, students going abroad must pay for their passports, any required visas, and international insurance.

Contact the International and Off-Campus Programs for more information.

TCNJ Faculty-led Programs Abroad

TCNJ faculty step outside the walls of the classroom and lead groups of students abroad to teach their courses in locations such as England, Mexico, Greece, and Spain. Some courses are offered in the summer and last for a month. Other courses are taught on-campus with one or two weeks spent in another country as part of the course requirement. Admission into these courses is highly competitive. Courses and locations will vary each year.

Programs Sponsored by The College of New Jersey

The College of New Jersey has established relationships with the institutions listed below for students to study abroad. Contact the Office of International and Off-Campus Programs for more information about each one.

- Argentina
  - University of San Andres
- Czech Republic
  - Economics University of Prague
- England
  - Northumbria University
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- Oxford Study Abroad Program
  - France
  - American Business School of Paris
  - Germany
  - The University of Frankfurt
  - Japan
  - Kansai Gaidai University
  - KCP Language Institute
  - Thailand
  - Mahidol University

Programs Offered Through Partner Institutions

The College of New Jersey offers international and domestic programs through the following partner institutions: Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE), International Studies Abroad (ISA), National Student Exchange (NSE), New Jersey State Consortium for International Studies (NJSCIS), The Washington Center (TWC), and the School for Field Studies (SFS). Consult the Office of International and Off-Campus Program’s website for the countries available for study through these partners.

Global Student Teaching

Since 1978, the School of Education at The College of New Jersey has provided students in all teacher education programs the opportunity to student teach outside New Jersey and far from TCNJ in both distance and culture. More than 500 student teachers have participated in this eight-week student-teaching program. At the midpoint of the global student teaching experience, students are observed in their classrooms. When students return from abroad, they are placed in a local school for the completion of their student teaching requirement. While program options vary from year to year, students have taught in Spain, Costa Rica, South Africa, Venezuela, Bolivia, Thailand, Botswana, Ireland, and The Gambia.

In order to participate, students must have fulfilled all requirements for teaching. In addition, candidates are selected on the basis of their academic qualifications, personal references from previous work-related experiences, and recommendations from junior practicum advisors. Faculty from the School of Education also conduct in-depth interviews with each applicant.

For further information regarding this program, students should contact the International and Off-Campus Programs (Green Hall 111). Applications for the Global Student Teaching Program must be submitted in February, one year prior to student teaching. Living expenses vary from site to site and are subject to change each year. However, financial aid is available to students who wish to participate in this program.