

# Criteria for Selecting Study Abroad Affiliation Agreements

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The Affiliation Agreement must

- carry **no** financial obligation;
- be non-exclusive;
- offer financial or other benefits to students which are not available to non-affiliated students;
- include language which requires the organization to report to the UW Oshkosh OIE on ALL of the following
  - financial assistance given to students
  - withdrawal/dismissal from programs
  - less-than-full-time study loads
- include **no** obligation for the UW Oshkosh OIE to provide services beyond those already offered to students participating on our own programs

The Affiliate must

- be reputable
  - the UW Oshkosh OIE will provide a list of other affiliated universities along with verification, news articles about the organization, information from SECUSS-L (the study abroad listserv), and/or feedback from other UW institutions
- offer one or a combination of the following:
  - destinations not offered through the UW Oshkosh OIE
  - academic fields not available through the UW Oshkosh OIE
  - time frames not available through the UW Oshkosh OIE

Students participating on approved affiliate programs will be required to

- complete the study abroad application process through the UW Oshkosh OIE;
- pay the study abroad application fee to the OIE;
- attend the OIE study abroad orientations;
- provide verification of international health insurance which includes repatriation, evacuation and medical reunion benefits;

The OIE/UW Oshkosh will provide the following services to students participating on affiliated programs (these services are not provided to students studying abroad through non-UW Oshkosh-sponsored/affiliated programs)

- streamlined financial aid application process
- submission to clearinghouse (verification of full-time status)

## Procedure for Approving Study Abroad Affiliation Agreements

1. The OIE will identify appropriate organizations for Affiliation Agreements and ensure that the criteria above are met.
2. Affiliation Agreements which meet the criteria outlined above will be forwarded to the Director of Financial Services and to the Registrar for comment.
3. Recommended Affiliation Agreements will be forwarded to the Provost for approval.
4. Original Affiliation Agreements will be housed in the OIE; copies will be filed in Financial Services.