



**AOP 11.06: STUDY ABROAD AND OTHER INTERNATIONAL  
TRAVEL BY STUDENTS**

**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this Academic Operating Policy (AOP) is to have standardized procedures for study abroad and other international travel that is associated with Mississippi State University (MSU).

**POLICY**

Students who fulfill the requirements according to the Office of Study Abroad are able to maintain their status as an MSU student while studying abroad or participating in other experiential learning exercises and receive credit for their studies when applicable. Refer to AOP 12.11 Undergraduate Student Requirements for Graduation for how approved study abroad credits can be used to fulfill undergraduate degree requirements.

Students who do not fulfill the requirements according to the Office of Study Abroad will not have the privileges of a MSU student, and the credit earned abroad may not fulfill MSU degree requirements.

The Provost and Executive Vice President shall designate the office responsible for maintaining the risk management standards, registration procedures, and applicable fees for students and faculty participating in study abroad programs and other experiential learning exercises associated with MSU occurring outside of the United States.

**REVIEW**

This AOP will be reviewed every four years or whenever circumstances require an earlier review by the Associate Vice President for International Programs/Executive Director of the International Institute and the Executive Vice Provost, with recommendations for revision presented to the Provost and Executive Vice President.

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