



Athletics

The following is a sample of the many short-term programs available – please visit the Study Abroad Office, 802 William Pitt Union, or our website to research all options:
www.abroad.pitt.edu

Education Abroad Network

www.educationabroadnetwork.org or www.study-australia.com

Study Australia Summer Program – Sydney, Australia

International Sports 6 credits/6 weeks

- In cooperation with NCAA guidelines
- Offered through Michigan State

API / Academic Programs International

www.academicintl.com

University of Limerick (semester/academic year)

- Rugby Program

+ API will customize program for the university:

1. U.S. faculty-led from our institution
2. Host country faculty-taught
3. Adopt an API program

New API Summer Rugby Program – email API for more information

CIEE www.ciee.org

Physical Education and Sports Subject Area

- Semester/Year Programs
- Botswana, Turkey, Australia, Spain, Dominican Republic

DIS-Danish Institute for Study Abroad

www.dis.dk

Semester, summer, and year programs

Sports and volunteering available in Copenhagen

- Facilitated participation in club sports including American football, field hockey, baseball, soccer, basketball, lacrosse, rugby, softball, ultimate Frisbee, and volleyball.
- Many different volunteer opportunities

Planning:

Before you plan your term abroad, please meet with your athletic and academic advisors. **Bring your course descriptions to this meeting.** The Study Abroad Office can help you obtain any information you need.

Questions for Your Academic Advisor

- What degree requirements do I have left to complete?
- What major/minor requirements do I have left to complete?
- When can I fit a study abroad program into my schedule?
- I have copies of descriptions for courses I am considering taking while abroad. Do these courses meet any of my requirements for general education courses?
- Are there particular requirements I should/should not try to complete abroad?
- Will you accept un-graded transfer credit for my major/minor requirements?
- What should I do if I get abroad and can't take these classes? May I email you for guidance in making alternative choices?
- How can I complete an internship or conduct research abroad? Is it possible to receive credit for it?
- What do I need to do to follow up with you when I return? What should I bring back with me (e.g. course syllabi)?

Athlete Testimonial:

Carol Sprague: August 18, 2008

I write to wrap up this wonderful journey as we fly across the Mediterranean Sea and later the Atlantic Ocean on our return to the USA. To do so I will start at the very beginning. Chancellor Nordenberg, Marc Boehm and I had many discussions with Angus during the time we were interviewing her, and eventually recruiting her, to lead our team to national prominence. Our discussions ranged from recruiting, to the challenges of Big East Conference competition, to marketing the program, to hosting NCAA events, and many more subjects to numerous to mention. I was struck by the fact that no matter where our conversations lead they were bound by a single strand . . . EDUCATION!!!!

We were convinced that Agnus, with the support of her family and the Pitt family, would transform our basketball program. We were also certain that she would transform the lives of the student-athletes in her charge. As we talked about the many elements that are necessary for success Agnus was absolutely resolute that our teams have the opportunity to take part in Foreign Tours. **She espoused the positive impact her tours with her previous teams had on team bonding, expanding horizons, learning about other cultures, playing great competition and learning we are all citizens of the world.** Chancellor Nordenberg understood and embraced the value of foreign travel, Marc Boehm concurred and I, not the world's best or most experienced traveler (never been further than Canada), jumped on board with Coach Berenato. Already we knew what recruits were going to experience when she began selling the University of Pittsburgh and her vision for their future. We were thrilled she was going to be our coach and certain she would thrive in Pittsburgh.

Needless to say the past five years have been a whirl wind which included hosting our first ever NCAA Championship event, qualifying for the NCAA Tournament for the first time in Pitt history and going through to the NCAA Sweet Sixteen in 2008. It also included planning this foreign tour. I must add that without the support of Steve Pederson and Donna Sanft, and the hard work of Pitt staff members like Mark Rhodehamel (Director of

Operations), Rich Holmes (University Legal Counsel), Yvonne Keafer (Risk Management), Vince Johns (Parking and Transportation) and Annagene Yucas (Study Abroad Program) we would never have gotten off the ground. Thanks to your belief and hard work 24 lives have been tremendously enhanced by this journey.

You have already heard the accounts of our players and coaches and I don't believe they have missed much in terms of the many things we have seen and felt together. I was able to sleep for most of our journey to Italy, and I awoke in the sky above Italy to the most beautiful sunrise I have ever seen. From that moment on, this trip has been the opportunity to see the beauty of not only St. Peter's Cathedral, the Sistine Chapel, the Mediterranean Sea and the Acropolis, but the beauty of the wonderful people we have met along the way. Everyone in Italy and Greece welcomed us with joy and hospitality and you would have loved seeing your Panthers walking the streets of Rome chanting let's go Pitt. During our first pre-game meal we were at a small Italian restaurant and the final of men's Olympic fencing was on television. All of the Italian patrons were cheering for the Italian fencer who went on to win the gold medal. There was excitement coursing through the restaurant and when the Italian winner stood on the award platform with the gold around his neck, everyone, including your Panthers, stood for the playing of the Italian National Anthem and shared in the joy of victory. We were Citizens of the World.

It has been a privilege to have experienced this journey with so many wonderful traveling companions. I am teacher by education, and at heart, and this has been a fabulous opportunity to be a student again. I will not forget the many lessons of this experience; or the people I have traveled with. I thoroughly enjoyed making memories with everyone.

Hail to Pitt.

Carol

PS. I never would have made it without the packing tips!!!