

# Office of International Education

The Whitworth Office of International Education (OIE) is comprised of two divisions, off-campus programs and international admissions & recruitment, and collectively serves to further the internationalization goals of the university. Housed in Hendrick Hall, the OIE provides comprehensive support for international students, study abroad programming, international admissions, immigration services and global partnership development.

**Mission Statement:** *The Whitworth Office of International Education serves to advance the internationalization of the institution by fostering a globally diverse student body, developing educational programs that promote intercultural competency, and cultivating a community that values exploration, empathy and ethical leadership.*

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## Off-Campus Programs

The knowledge and skill to effectively navigate and engage in today's culturally diverse and interdependent society is essential for Whitworth graduates. The Whitworth Off-Campus Programs Office of the OIE serves to provide the Whitworth community with opportunities for domestic and international programming that fosters this level of intercultural competency. Through its collaboration with Whitworth faculty, the off-campus programs office offers an array of short-term and semester-long faculty-led programs both in the U.S. and abroad. In addition, by leveraging its partnerships with foreign universities and membership in international consortia such as ISEP, Whitworth offers students the ability to experience true cultural immersion through study abroad in over 60 countries. The Whitworth Off-Campus Programs Office equips the campus community to engage in global education and intercultural exchange.

## Off-Campus Programs: Whitworth Faculty-Led Programs

A primary focus of the Whitworth Off-Campus Programs Office is the development of faculty-led programs in the U.S. and abroad. Each academic year, an average of 20 faculty-led programs are offered to students ranging in locations and duration, from a semester to Jan Term and May Term. These programs enable students to travel with Whitworth faculty and acquire academic credit toward their major/minor degree requirements. The following locations and academic fields represent a sample of the numerous domestic and international program opportunities.

### Britain and Ireland

Academic area(s): English literature, history and art, business, theology

### Central America

Academic area(s): Spanish language, internship, theology

### France

Academic area(s): French literature, music, history, politics, communications and art

### Germany

Academic area(s): Media & Society

### Tanzania Study Program

Academic area(s): History, political science, theology

### Costa Rica

Academic area(s): Ecology

### Europe

Academic area(s): Core 250

### Scandinavia

Academic area(s): Sociology

### Greece

Academic area(s): History, theology

## **Italy**

Academic area(s): History, art history

## **South Africa**

Academic area(s): Political science

## **Hawaii, U.S.**

Academic area(s): Anthropology

## **New York, U.S.**

Academic area(s): Theatre

## **Washington, D.C., U.S.**

Academic area(s): Media, communications, political science, history

## **Off-Campus Programs: International Exchange Programs**

Through its partnership with foreign universities and membership in consortia such as ISEP (International Student Exchange Programs), Whitworth offers students the opportunity to study abroad for a full semester or academic year in more than 60 countries. These programs enable students to pay their home tuition and utilize financial aid while taking part in an immersive academic and cultural experience. Exchange programs are offered in the following locations:

### **ISEP**

Central & South America, U.K., Europe, Africa, Middle East, Asia, Oceania

### **Aix-Marseille University**

France

### **Maastricht University**

Netherlands

### **Kwansei-Gakuin University**

Japan

### **Chinese University of Hong Kong**

China

### **Liverpool Hope University**

England, United Kingdom

## **Off-Campus Programs: Partner Programs**

Whitworth partners with the following organizations and consortia to provide students with additional domestic and international study opportunities:

### **IES Abroad**

Central & South America, U.K., Europe, Africa, Middle East, Asia, Oceania

### **Spanish Studies Abroad**

Puerto Rico, Cuba, Argentina, Spain

### **ILACA**

Spain

### **CCCU GlobalEd**

Los Angeles, Calif.; Washington, D.C.; England, United Kingdom

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## **International Admissions & Recruitment**

The second division of the Office of International Education is the international admissions & recruitment team. This division serves to strengthen the global diversity of the Whitworth student body through strategic international recruitment, admissions and support services. Central to our institutional ethos which values the integration of Christian tradition and intellectual inquiry, the presence and inclusion of diverse cultures, perspectives and dialogue is a key component of an education of mind and heart. The international admissions & recruitment staff seek to foster

this environment and support all international students with holistic academic, cultural, social and immigration services.

## **English for International Students (EIS)**

Through partnership with faculty in the Whitworth Department of World Languages & Cultures, the OIE also offers advanced-level English courses to assist students in improving their reading, writing and oral communication skills up to a level of proficiency for participation in other courses at Whitworth University. These courses require students to use an integrated set of skills for critical thinking, analytic reasoning, problem-solving, and written and oral communication. Each EIS course carries three semester credits and is creditable toward graduation.

### **EIS Courses**

#### **EIS 107 Reading in Academic Discourse**

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Advanced reading course for international students. Emphasis on rhetorical patterns, inference, summary, synthesis, and critical response to academic texts and articles. Fall semester.

#### **EIS 108 Writing in Academic Discourse**

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Advanced writing course for international students. Emphasis on summary, paraphrase, rhetoric, and research strategies. Attention to grammar, style, and format as required. Fall semester.

## **Contact Us**

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