Semester-Long Study Abroad Course Credit Transfer Procedure

STEP 1: STUDY ABROAD OFFICE- Speak with the Study Abroad Coordinator to clear up any confusion and to correctly list the program and/or university.

STEP 2: STUDENT-Complete sections 1 (on page) filling in your information and the courses that you would like to take at the host institution. While looking at the PSU course catalog and the list of classes and/or syllabuses at the host university, compile a list of courses and the courses for which you think they will count at PSU. Sign on page 4.

STEP 3: MEET WITH YOUR ACADEMIC ADIVSOR(S) - Ask your advisor for advice about which classes you should take abroad. Your advisor will then circle the "type of degree requirement" for each course on the chart on page 2. Please also ask your advisor to circle and sign in section 2 on page 3.

Please note: The classes that you take abroad must show up on your degree audit if you will be using federal financial aid. Also, in order to receive credit, the transcript must reflect a level of courses that matches the level at which you are enrolled at PSU. The registrar cannot grant graduate credit to an undergraduate student or vice versa.

STEP 4: MEET WITH THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR FOR EACH COURSE- Once a study plan has been made with the academic advisor, present the plan to the chair of the department(s) <u>of the courses</u> for approval of the credits and plan. Regardless of your major, if you are taking biology courses abroad meet with the Chair of the Biology Department, who will initial if the courses are approved for transfer. The dept. chair should evaluate the courses and decide what the PSU equivalent will be. Students need to <u>bring course titles</u>, <u>descriptions</u>, <u>syllabuses</u>, <u>and any other material about the course</u> (<u>in English</u>) to the chair. Dept. chairs have the right to request more information before deciding on transfer credit for the course. The dept. chair may place conditions on approval, and the conditions should be noted on the approval form. Chairs will initial next to courses that they approve. **Please have more courses approved than will be taken during the time abroad because course cancellation and closure upon arrival at the host institution is not uncommon.**

STEP 5: MEET WITH THE DEPARTMENT CHAIR OF YOUR MAJOR(S)-Ask the department chair to sign in section 2 on page 3.

STEP 6: TURN IN THE FORM TO THE STUDY ABROAD COORDINATOR- The Study Abroad Coordinator will then present your form to the Study Abroad Committee for approval.

STEP 7: TAKE THE FORM TO THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE-The Study Abroad Coordinator will sign the form after you have been approved by the S.A. Committee. You will then pick up the form from the S.A. Coordinator and take it to the Registrar's Office and ask to speak with the **Assistant Registrar/Transcript Analysist** who will complete the Registrar Certification on page 3. You will then take this form to the **Assistant Registrar/Degree Checking** who will sign on page 3. After you have these signatures, leave the form with the Assistant Registrar/Transcript Analysist. You will receive an email when your form is ready to be picked up and you will receive a copy of the form for your records. You also need to ensure that the S.A. Coordinator receives a copy.

The Registrar will place you in a study abroad placeholder course for your semester abroad; you will not enroll in courses at PSU unless you are taking an online PSU course.

STEP 8: CONFIRM COURSES WITH THE HOST UNIVERSITY-When you register for courses abroad you will complete a learning agreement (Note: You may not register for courses until you arrive at the host university). If courses change, it is your responsibility to inform the Study Abroad Coordinator so that the necessary arrangements can be made. If you are to receive federal financial aid, you must inform the Office of Financial Assistance ASAP if these credits change. At the end of your program, it is also your responsibility to ensure that your official transcript is sent to PSU by the date listed in your acceptance letter from the Study Abroad Coordinator.

NOTE: This agreement shall serve as a written contract between PSU and the student for the transferability of credits. PSU cannot guarantee credit upon return to PSU for any courses taken that are not pre-approved. If a student takes a course that is not pre-approved, any credit that may transfer back for such course may not apply towards the student's degree, and this may jeopardize financial aid eligibility and delay his/her graduation.

After all sections are complete, four copies of this form should be made. One for: the student, the Study Abroad Coordinator, the Assistant Registrar, and the Office of Financial Assistance.

Semester-Long Study Abroad Credit Transfer Agreement

1. STUDENT: Read the instructions on page 1. (Please complete the section below and then take the form to your academic advisor and then the dept. chairs for each course to get approval. You will also need your academic advisor's signature and the signature of the dept. chair of your major on page 3.)

Program Name	Host Institution	Location (City, Country)	Dates of program
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This agreement certifies that the following courses from the above named program have been pre-evaluated for transferability and are applicable to the student's degree and will be credited upon receipt of transcript to the student's PSU transcript as follows:

Host Inst.		Credits at	<u>PSU</u>		Credits at	Type of Degree	Approval	Dept. Chair
Course	Host Institution Course Name	host inst.	<u>Course</u>	PSU Course Equivalent	<u>PSU</u>	Requirement	(dept. chair)	Initials
Code & #		(ECTS, etc)	<u>Code & #</u>			<u>(advisor)</u>		
						<u>Gen Ed</u> <u>Major/minor</u> <u>Elective</u>	<u>Yes</u> <u>No</u>	
						<u>Gen Ed</u> <u>Major/minor</u> <u>Elective</u>	<u>Yes</u> <u>No</u>	
						<u>Gen Ed</u> <u>Major/minor</u> <u>Elective</u>	<u>Yes</u> <u>No</u>	
						<u>Gen Ed</u> <u>Major/minor</u> <u>Elective</u>	<u>Yes</u> <u>No</u>	
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						<u>Gen Ed</u> <u>Major/minor</u> <u>Elective</u>	<u>Yes</u> <u>No</u>	
						<u>Gen Ed</u> <u>Major/minor</u> <u>Elective</u>	<u>Yes</u> <u>No</u>	

Note: Credits covered by this agreement will only be posted to the student's transcript upon receipt of an official transcript from the host university showing successful completion of the courses listed above. Courses not listed cannot be transferred without prior approval.

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1. STUDENT: (Complete the section below and then see your acad. advisor and dept. chair of your major to complete the next section).

Student name and ID number:		
Host university:		
I request all grades be posted on a PASS(P) / NO CREDIT(NC) basis.	YES	NO (student circles and initials)
I will be using federal financial aid for this program. If yes, please speak with Financial Assistance.	YES	NO (student circles and initials)

2. ACADEMIC ADVISOR/DEPARTMENT CERTIFICATION: (Please circle and sign below)

- Can PASS (P) / NO CREDIT (NC) courses count toward the student's degree? YES NO
- The student has discussed his/her study abroad plans with me and understands which courses will count toward a
 major/minor/elective requirement.

Signature of Academic Advisor		Date		
 The student has discussed hi requirements. 	s/her study abroad		as received approval for	courses that will fulfill degree
Signature of Department Chair in	n major	Date		
Students with a double major:				
ignature of 2 nd Academic Advisor	Date	Signature o	f Department Chair in 2 nd n	najor Date
O BE COMPLETED AFTER STUDY	ABROAD COMMI	TTEE APPROVAL		
ASSISTANT REGISTRAR CERTIF				(host university)
ranscript will be issued by: Iniversity issuing transcript is approve	d for credit transfer	r (initial	s of Assistant Registrar)	
his is a PSU partner university. The s	tudent will be payir	ng PSU tuition. YES	NO (initials of S	t. Abroad Coord.)
One academic credit at this university lumber of academic credits needed				
Salamanca, Cursos Internacionales Jumber of <u>contact hours</u> needed from				
Student should be enrolled inF S.A.Coord.)	'SU credits for the	e Study Abroad Plac	eholder during the ter	n abroad
. STUDENT: (Please go to the Registra Iso sign the Student's Agreement on pag		e Asst. Registrar and As	sst. Registrar of Degree Ch	ecking to sign below.
TUDY ABROAD OFFICE CERTIFIC The Study Abroad Committee approved th		pation in this study abro	ad program.	
ignature of Study Abroad Coordinator	Date			

DEGREE CHECKING CERTIFICATION:

This student may bring back _____ credits of electives that can count toward their degree.

Signature of Asst. Registrar/Degree checking

REGISTRAR'S CERTIFICATION: The number of credits needed to transfer as 12 credits at PSU is listed on page 2 and the transcript from the host institution is approved for credit transfer. This document has been entered into the student's record.

Notes:

Date

STUDENT'S AGREEMENT:

I have read and understand the instructions on page 1.

I understand that I have been approved to take the courses listed on this credit transfer form based on my currently declared major(s), minor(s) and degree audit, and that I must bring back 12 PSU credits of approved courses that apply towards my degree each semester. I understand that 1 credit at the host university may not equal 1 credit at PSU, so I agree to closely look at my course schedule when signing up for courses and once abroad so that I can ensure that I will receive the necessary number of credits for each course and for the semester. If I drop below 12 PSU credits, I will inform the Study Abroad Coordinator ASAP.

If using federal financial aid, I understand that I must be enrolled in a sufficient number of credit hours for the semester(s) of study abroad, as discussed with the Office of Financial Assistance, to receive financial assistance funds. I understand that the courses I take must be on my degree audit/candidacy plan and credit earned abroad must apply toward degree requirements. I understand if enough credits do not transfer back to PSU it may affect any federal financial aid that I have taken or may receive for the following semester. I understand that it is my responsibility to keep track of requirements listed on my degree audit. Credits in excess of 12 may be in any subject and are not required to apply to my degree for financial aid purposes. I further understand that any financial aid I may have received or will receive may be affected if I change my major or minor prior to the receipt of the transcript for my study abroad experience and if these approved courses no longer appear on my degree audit.

Signature of Student

Date