

# Program Variables

What do you **want** or **need** from your study abroad program? What are your goals? The categories below highlight a few of the ways that programs will vary. No two programs are alike! Knowing what you want and need will help you apply to programs that suit you best.

Select the top 5-6 variables that are most important to you and evaluate your top 4 programs.

## Academics

- Core courses (FIN, MKT, MHR, OTM 300)
- Major requirements
- Business breadth courses
- Liberal studies courses
- Business courses taught in a foreign language
- Foreign language courses
- International Business region of emphasis
- Specific course: \_\_\_\_\_

## Timing

- Short term: Summer or spring break program
- Semester program dates similar to UW-Madison

## Experiences Abroad

- Part-time internship opportunities
- Participate in co-curricular or group activities
- Language spoken outside the classroom is English

## Additional Factors

- Are there additional factors that are important to you in a study abroad program?

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## Housing

- Make my own housing arrangements
- Live with a host family
- Housing is coordinated for me
- Live with non-Business, UW-Madison students

## Program Support

- Support from on-site staff is readily available
- Academic accommodations
- Physical accommodations
- Identity considerations abroad
- Race, citizenship, religion, LGBTQ+

## Cost

- Ability to apply for scholarships beyond WiSH
- Cost of attendance is similar to UW-Madison

My budget for study abroad is \$\_\_\_\_\_

## Goals

- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Who are you in community with abroad?

### I take classes alongside:

- Local students from my host country
- Other U.S. students
- International students (non-locals)
- Other Business Badgers

### Host culture interaction

Indicate on the spectrum below the level of engagement you hope to have with citizens of your host country.

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Interaction is not very important to me.

Some interaction would be nice

I want to interact as much as possible.

## Programs I have in mind.

Program 1. \_\_\_\_\_

Program 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Program 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Program 4. \_\_\_\_\_

## After researching your options, do these programs align with your needs, wants, and goals?



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