

## **Various programs offered at the Study Abroad Fair**

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Greece, Peru, Scotland and China—these are just a few countries that will be represented at the University of Wisconsin Oshkosh’s spring Study Abroad Fair Feb. 9.

The Office of International Education provides study abroad opportunities on almost every continent, and UW Oshkosh faculty, staff, students and members of the Oshkosh community can expect numerous booths and representatives from the various programs at the Fair in Reeve Memorial Union.

Attendees will have the opportunity to speak with representatives, which include UW Oshkosh faculty or third-party providers, to have their questions answered and learn about what it is like studying abroad.

Rachel Krueger ’11, a Study Abroad Fair intern and Hessen-Wisconsin program coordinator, said coming to the Study Abroad Fair is a “one-stop shop” to get started and to get a lot of questions answered.

“My suggestion would be to have a couple of ideas in mind of where to go and decide whether or not you want to learn a language, earn course requirements and participate in faculty-led programs,” Krueger said. “Most of the questions students have can easily be answered by attending the Fair.”

Studying abroad not only gives students opportunities to earn course credits, but there are opportunities to work and volunteer outside of the U.S. One study abroad opportunity lets students teach English at an eight-week summer camp in Japan for \$200—the lowest cost for studying abroad.

“The summer teaching program is great because of its low cost and wonderful opportunities,” Krueger said. “Plus you get to experience a different culture.”

UW Oshkosh students can participate in study abroad programs for durations as short as one interim to durations as long as one year; however, students are not the only ones that can take advantage of these opportunities. Faculty and staff at the University, as well as members of the Oshkosh community, can participate in the programs too.

“We provide study abroad options for anywhere you want to go,” Krueger said. “Most of these programs also include orientations to get better acquainted with the country students are travelling to and to answer any questions parents may have.”

More than 700 students attended during the fall 2010 Study Abroad Fair, and this year students can explore options, meet program leaders, learn about financial aid and scholarships, and learn how to get involved as a Study Abroad Ambassador Team.

“We had a record high attendance in fall, and we are hoping to have a good turnout again,” Krueger said. “There are deadlines for applications and spots for studying abroad fill up fast, so it’s important to come

to events like these.”

To learn more about study abroad programs, visit <http://www.uwosh.edu/oie/abroad/index.php>.