Northeastern University strongly endorses global experience as an important dimension of learning. To foster this, it maintains a Global Experience Office (GEO) that has developed a series of programs tailored to the interests and needs of Northeastern University students. Global experiences provide students with opportunities to deepen their knowledge of the world and their chosen field of study, develop intercultural and political sensitivity, utilize and strengthen foreign language skills, and explore global career options. Many Northeastern students participate in multiple global experiences during their time at the University. Northeastern encourages students to engage with the Global Experience Office as early as possible - global experiences are within reach for all students, with careful planning and collaboration.

**International Study**

While studying abroad in a Northeastern-sponsored program, students maintain full-time Northeastern status and earn Northeastern credits. In all cases, upon successful completion of a program, grades are calculated in the student’s grade-point average (GPA). To participate in GEO programs, students should be in good academic and disciplinary standing and have no registration-blocking holds. Study-abroad programs require a GPA of at least 2.500. Some programs may have additional eligibility criteria. Students must also meet the requirements of the host institution abroad. Full information and application deadlines are posted on the GEO website (http://www.northeastern.edu/studyabroad).

**Engage with GEO**

The Global Experience Office offers many opportunities for students to explore program opportunities and learn more about the possibilities.

GEO Website and Social Media Platforms: Students can engage with GEO through the chat feature on the GEO website (http://www.northeastern.edu/studyabroad), as well as through social media platforms such as Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram. Students are welcome to participate in preparatory webinars, join staff and alumni Q&A, and envision their experience through dynamic photo, video, and written recollections of student experiences.

GEO Events: GEO offers a range of events throughout the year to help students answer questions and concerns about the experience, from the application logistics of a specific program, to navigating questions of identity while abroad. Please refer to the GEO Events Calendar on the GEO website, for the list of upcoming fairs, workshops, and info sessions.

Meet with Peer Advisors: GEO Peer Advisors provide the unique lens of recent global program participation. They help students navigate the variety of available programs and refine their goals for the experience. Peer Advisors are available to meet with students during office hours, without appointment needed.

Meet with GEO Advisors (https://www.northeastern.edu/geo/contact): GEO Advisors provide expertise and assistance to students from the moment students are ready to select programs to their return from the experience. GEO Advisors meet with students by appointment, and advise by global region. The list of GEO Advisors and the different regions that they advise is available on the GEO website.

After choosing a program, students should consult with their departmental or college advisors. International students should also consult with the Office of Global Services (OGS) (http://www.northeastern.edu/ogs) to determine if an updated I-20 for reentry may be needed. Note that studying abroad in a student’s final semester may result in a delay in graduation due to calendar discrepancies across institutions.

**Types of Programs**

Northeastern University offers different types of study-abroad programs, with multiple options within each type. This robust program portfolio contains global experiences for any major on campus. Students are able to participate in multiple programs during their time at Northeastern.

1. **Global Quest** (https://www.northeastern.edu/geo/global-quest). Global Quest is a prestigious opportunity for incoming freshmen, who demonstrate outstanding leadership potential and candidacy to become a global citizen. A unique first-year experience, Global Quest combines an accelerated Fall semester in Boston with an immersive four to six-month experience abroad. In the six-month experiences from January through June, students complete the equivalent of a full semester at a global partner institution as well as an equivalent of NU-Term during the summer, which may include directed research projects, field study, or summer classes at the partner institution.

2. **Dialogue of Civilizations.** The Dialogue of Civilizations are faculty-led study-abroad programs that build upon and enhance the students’ academic studies and training in Boston. The Dialogues allow students to engage with course content in different national, cultural, political, and social contexts. The programs foster meaningful conversations between Northeastern students and people around the world, including their peers.

3. **Study abroad (semester or summer).** Northeastern offers a rich array of programs abroad during semester and summer terms. Many programs base students at a partner institution where they attend classes, participate in student activities, and organize their extracurricular schedules just as they would on campus at Northeastern. Some examples include University of Sydney in Sydney, Australia; Technion: Israel Institute of Technology in Haifa, Israel; University of Montevideo in Montevideo, Uruguay; London School of Economics in England, United Kingdom; and the University of Tokyo in Tokyo, Japan.

4. **Global Mobility.** Drawing on its network of regional campuses, Northeastern offers a set of signature programs, which contextualize, enrich, and enhance student learning. Some examples include the "Semester and Summer In" programs in San Francisco/Bay Area and Seattle, as well as the Data, Ethics, and Culture program in London, England.

5. **Embedded Programs.** Embedded programming incorporates global experiences into courses taught at Northeastern’s Boston campus, and provides students with the opportunity to spend 7-10 days in a global setting to further punctuate and underscore the subject matter in a meaningful way.

6. **International research.** The focus of a student’s time abroad is on an independent research project. In most cases, the study-
abroad program organizes small group seminars and field trips that are designed to help students learn about their international environment and focus on a research topic. Students spend three to four weeks toward the end of the semester working on their individual projects. Examples of projects could be studying tropical biology in Costa Rica, history and culture in Vietnam, and oceanography while sailing in the Atlantic/Pacific cruise track of the SEA Semester Program.

7. Internship. These programs offer a combination of classes and related work experience for which students earn academic credit. Examples of internships students have held in the past include accounting at Morningstar in Sydney, Australia, as well as internships in various European parliaments such as Brussels, London, and Dublin.

Visit the GEO website (http://www.northeastern.edu/studyabroad) to see a complete list of program options.

Global Co-op
The Global Cooperative Education Program provides opportunities for Northeastern students to co-op on all seven continents with foreign and multinational employers, U.S. employers doing business abroad, and other international organizations. Students may apply for existing positions or work with a co-op counselor to develop their own. All majors are welcome to apply. International students participating in co-op abroad should consult with the OGS in advance of departure to ensure reentry to the United States in proper nonimmigrant visa status. The Presidential Global Scholars Program (https://studentfinance.northeastern.edu/applying-for-aid/undergraduate/types-of-aid/scholarships/presidential-global-scholars-program) provides financial support for international co-op.