Advance Planning & Application Checklist

**Advance Planning**

- Talk to your academic advisor about how study abroad would fit in your curriculum
- Think about why, when, where and how long you want to study abroad
- Figure out what courses you need to graduate
- Conduct a program search on the study abroad website: [https://app.studyabroad.illinois.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.AdvancedSearch](https://app.studyabroad.illinois.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.AdvancedSearch)
- Attend a study abroad fair to see and hear about other students experiences
- Go to an info session
- Read about other students experiences on our WordPress or at our Student Stories
- Discuss finances with your parents and set a budget
- Stop by 123 Mumford Hall during our drop-in hours and meet with a peer advisor

**Applying to a Program**

- Apply through the program page on My Study Abroad
- Be aware of all deadlines for both the program and scholarship application
- Make sure you meet all requirements for your selected program including GPA minimum
- Prepare essay, resume or other required documentation
  - Essays can be reused for scholarship applications
- Apply for scholarships
- Be aware of the non-fundable $50 application fee