



Short-term Study Abroad Program Withdrawal and Refund Policy

Any student withdrawing from a study abroad program must notify the International Programs Office in writing (internationalprograms@uvawise.edu).

Students must also withdraw from the study abroad course through the UVA Wise Registrar's Office and notify the Trip Director.

Refund Policy

Students are considered committed to participation when a deposit for a Short-term Study Abroad Program is received. Students in committed status are financially obligated to program costs, and refunds for withdrawals will follow the refund schedule in this policy.

A potential refund will be calculated on the date a student notifies the International Programs office.

Study Abroad Deposits

All program deposits are non-refundable, in addition to any non-refundable portion of airfare, housing and other program fees, if applicable.

The study abroad deposit is only refundable when:

- a program is canceled before the program start date by the College
- a student is denied a visa/travel authorization permit by the host country
- a medical condition or other unforeseen circumstance prevents the student from participating in the program (documentation is required)

Refund Schedule*

- 90 days prior to the program start date: 75%
- 60 days prior to the program start date: 50%
- 45 days prior to the program start date: 25%
- 44 days or fewer prior to the program start date: 0%

*Excludes non-refundable deposit and any non-refundable portions of the program already paid by the College on the students' behalf.

Financial Aid & Scholarships

Financial aid and study abroad scholarships awarded for participation in a study abroad program will be rescinded if a student withdraws from the program or if the program is canceled. Students should not assume that study abroad financial aid or scholarship funds can be applied toward any charges incurred because of withdrawal, cancellation, or non-participation. Students who

withdraw after the program has commenced may also be subject to additional policies and financial obligations established by the [Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships](#).

Participant Dismissal Policy

There are circumstances under which UVA Wise has the authority to dismiss a student from an education abroad program. The circumstances of dismissal include, but are not limited to:

- Academic and disciplinary standing will be reviewed at the conclusion of each fall and spring semester. Students whose cumulative GPA falls below the minimum requirement for participation in Short-term Study Abroad Programs, as specified in the program eligibility criteria, will be ineligible to participate in Spring Break or Summer Short-term Study Abroad Programs. Additionally, students who are not in good standing under the College's Student Code of Conduct at the time of review will also be ineligible to participate in Spring Break or Summer Short-term Study Abroad Programs.
- Students whose conduct does not comply with all rules, regulations, and standards of conduct issued by UVA Wise (including, but not limited to, the Student Code of Conduct).
- Students whose conduct violates the laws and standards of their host country or any country which they travel to during the program.
- Situations in which the behavior, whether academic or social, of the student causes their presence in the program to jeopardize the reputation of UVA Wise, the participation of others in the program, or the safety of the student or other participants.

Students dismissed from the program will be responsible for the costs of their return transportation and will not be entitled to a refund of any fees, dues, tuition, or payments of any kind that have been paid in connection with their participation in the Program. A program dismissal will result in no credit for academic coursework completed after the date of dismissal.