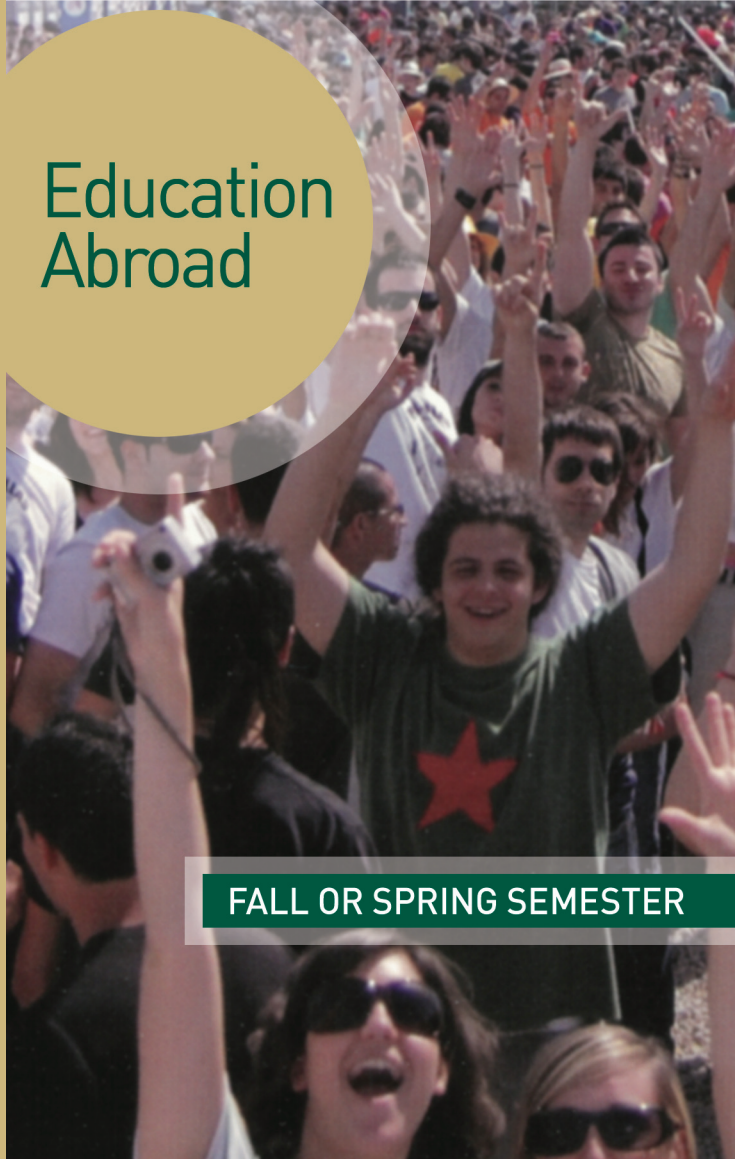




# USF

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SOUTH FLORIDA  
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## Education Abroad

FALL OR SPRING SEMESTER

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Located on the Mediterranean, Valencia is the third-largest city in Spain. It is a vibrant, culturally rich, modern city with many museums, gardens, fountains, beaches, festivals and restaurants.

Since 2006, 75 engineering students from all majors have participated in exchange programs in 16 countries in Asia, Europe, and North and South America.

Expand your knowledge and multi-cultural awareness at Universidad Politecnica de Valencia in beautiful Spain.

The College of Engineering has established a special relationship with this Spanish technological university ranked as one of the best in the world.

Visit [www.upv.es](http://www.upv.es)

Education Abroad and Semester Exchange Programs for engineering majors exist in many other countries. Contact the USF Education Abroad Office for more information.

## Requirements

- 2.75 GPA minimum
- Good academic standing at USF
- Students must have at least one semester remaining at USF after their return

## Deadlines

**FALL ENTRY:** February 15

**SPRING ENTRY:** September 15

## How to Apply to an Exchange Program

### Step 1

#### Select a Program

Select the semester program you are interested in and make an appointment with the appropriate advisor to review your needs. Things to consider:

- ✓ What are your goals?
- ✓ Will your major allow for a semester abroad?
- ✓ Is there a language requirement?
- ✓ Kinds of classes you want to take abroad?
- ✓ Is the school an exchange partner or a fee-paying institution?
- ✓ What are the term dates of the program?

### Step 2

#### Gather Application Materials

The education abroad application packet consists of the general application, medical questionnaire, liability waiver, terms and conditions, participant contract and course approval sheet. Forms are available on the website <http://global.usf.edu/educationabroad>.

In addition, you will need to submit:

- **Transcript:** An official transcript from the USF Registrar's Office is required.
- **Personal Statement / Letter of Intent (500 words):** The most important element of your application, the personal statement gives you the opportunity to explain to the selection committee why you should be selected. Include personal reasons, but more weight is given to academic needs and willingness to act as an ambassador from USF to the host institution.
- **Academic Letter of Recommendation:** You must provide a letter from either a professor or an academic advisor who is familiar with you as a student and an individual. The letter should address academic aptitude, adaptability, maturity, and general curiosity.

## Benefits

- An unparalleled experience that will set you apart from your peers
- An opportunity for personal growth
- Pay the equivalent of USF in-state tuition instead of foreign tuition and fees
- Full support of the USF Education Abroad office and the international office of USF partners
- Academic programs at fully accredited international universities
- Housing is provided on campus
- An opportunity to take courses toward graduation while overseas
- Many scholarships available for international study
- Some financial aid is available (students must see a financial counselor for more information)

Working with your advisor, you will be able to select electives or engineering courses. Many classes are presented in English.

