Political Science – Off-Campus Study

Political Science students study off campus to better understand government and political systems both in the US and abroad, to investigate the intersection of culture and politics, and to sharpen their skills in comparative political analysis. More information: Office of International Education: oie@beloit.edu http://www.beloit.edu/oie/

Study Abroad Programs

Belgium - Vesalius College, Brussels, Belgium  Fall, spring
Language: English, with French and Dutch language study and French literature taught in French
Prerequisites: gpa 2.7, junior or senior standing; French or Dutch language study recommended; prior coursework in your field strongly recommended.
Housing: Vesalius assists students in arranging housing, home stays available.
Details: Small English language liberal arts college, courses in business, international relations and communications (few advanced courses available) and established internships in Brussels for credit; study with local and international students; rich cultural environment; access to major university libraries in a key hub of the European Union, international diplomacy and commerce; high prevalence of English makes this a poor destination for language immersion. http://www.vesalius.edu/studyabroad

Botswana – CIEE Gabarone  Fall, spring
Language: English, beginning Setswana
Prereqs: 2.75 gpa, coursework relative to the understanding of Botswana and Southern Africa
Housing: shared rooms in university residences with local and international students; students provide own meals, meal plans available in campus dining halls.
Details: Two required CIEE courses: Setswana, and Language and Culture Practicum; other courses are chosen from the University of Botswana offerings in the faculties of African Languages and Literature, Business, Education, Environmental Health and Science, History, Media, Political Science and Science; opportunities for community engagement; excursions. http://ciee.org/program_search/program_detail.aspx?program_id=1784 (ACM* also has a program in Botswana.)

Ecuador - Universidad San Francisco de Quito (USFQ)  Exchange, fall, spring, academic year
Language: Courses in Spanish, some may be partly in English.
Prereqs: 2 years of college Spanish, 3.0 cumulative gpa and gpa in Spanish, previous course work for studio art courses, courses with a Latin American focus strongly recommended.
Housing: Host family
Details: Orientation in Quito; small private university; study with local students; wide range of courses available, some attract American students; Quito in Transition course explores trends in Ecuadorian society, politics, history and economics through the study of the city of Quito; excursions; volunteer opportunities. https://www.beloit.edu/oie/off_campus/find_program/beloit/

France – ISEP: Lille III (Université Charles de Gaulle)  Spring
Language: French with some courses taught in English
Prereqs: 2 years of college French, prior courses in political science recommended.
Housing: Single rooms in dorms, meal stipend.
Details: Courses in political science taught in both French and English; a broad selection of courses in most disciplines; intensive French language available at the beginning of the semester; credit-bearing buddy program called “Tandem” matching US students with French students for intercultural exchange. http://www.isep.org/students/Directory/member_site.asp?CSID=77&ID=72

Germany – Erfurt University, Erfurt  Exchange, spring, academic year
Language: German, English
Prereqs: 2 years college German, previous coursework relative to the understanding of Germany.
Housing: Campus dormitory with international and German students, provide own meals.
Details: Intensive German language at beginning of term; university courses in politics, development and international affairs, German as a second language with disciplinary focus; study with local students; no natural sciences; some courses taught partially or fully in English at this bi-lingual university; few non-native German speakers in Erfurt; region is historically rich with archives, museums and study centers; travel opportunities in Germany and Central Europe. Scholarships available for study in Germany. See the Scholarships page on the OIE Study Abroad website. https://www.beloit.edu/oie/off_campus/find_program/beloit/

Ghana – ISEP: University of Ghana, Legon  Fall, spring, academic year
Language: English, beginning Twi language course
Prereqs: 3.0 gpa, previous coursework with African content recommended; students expected to enroll in a beginning Twi language course at the University of Ghana.
Housing: International student hostel on campus, stipend provided for meals.
Details: Study with Ghanaian and international students; Institute of African Studies (beginning level courses), courses in history, political science, economics at beginning to advanced levels; orientation program; resident director; sports and volunteering available.  
http://www.isep.org/students/Directory/member_site.asp?CSID=78&ID=193

**Hong Kong - Lingnan University, Hong Kong, China**

Exchange, fall, spring, academic year

**Language:** English

**Prereqs:** Previous coursework in anthropology, Asian studies, economics, art history, political science, history or philosophy with an Asian focus.

**Housing:** Shared room in campus student hostel, students provide own meals.

**Details:** Study at the only Chinese liberal arts college with local and international students; live in a major Asian economic and international commerce center; basic Cantonese language course available, no language prerequisite; wide range of courses in business, social sciences and humanities, no natural science courses; students encouraged to take classes in Cultural Studies; excellent campus facilities; many student activities and excursions  
http://www.isep.org/students/Directory/member_site.asp?CSID=78&ID=193

**Ireland – National University of Ireland – Galway**

Fall, spring

**Language:** English

**Prereqs:** 3.0 gpa

**Housing:** Residence halls arranged through accommodation office, students provide own meals.

**Details:** Hosting 600 US students a year, you will be able to take courses with students from Ireland and around the world; strong program in Classical civilizations and languages; see website for course selection. 
http://www.nuigalway.ie/international/

**Jordan – CIEE: Language and Culture, University of Jordan, Amman**

Fall, spring

**Language:** English & Arabic

**Prereqs:** 2.75 gpa, previous coursework relative to the understanding of Jordan/Middle East.

**Housing:** Host family (cannot guarantee for male students), or apartment with other CIEE students with meal stipend.

**Details:** Two required language courses: Arabic and colloquial Jordanian Arabic; study with CIEE and international students; choice of 2 other CIEE courses (or 1 course and an internship) in international relations and diplomacy the Middle East; volunteer opportunities.

**Scholarships:** CIEE scholarships for merit, need, travel, under-represented groups.  

**The Netherlands – ISEP: Leiden University, Leiden**

Spring, fall, academic year

**Language:** English & Dutch

**Prereqs:** junior standing, 3.2 gpa, previous coursework in your field.

**Housing:** Host family or student hostel, stipend for meals.

**Details:** Many courses taught in English on International and European Community, political science, global studies, culture and government, Islamic studies; study with local students; optional 3-week pre-session Dutch course (extra cost).  

**Turkey – Yeditepe University, Istanbul**

Exchange, spring or academic year

**Language:** English

**Prereqs:** Previous coursework relative to the understanding of Turkey.

**Housing:** Shared rooms with bath, mini refrigerator and phone in University residence halls; linens are provided; students provide own meals at university cafeterias, snack bars and restaurants.

**Details:** Study in English with local and international students; courses from wide range of university offerings including the faculties of arts and sciences, fine arts including theatre, and economics and political science; university located on the European side of Istanbul in the heart of the city; easy access to public transportation.  
https://www.beloit.edu/oie/off_campus/find_program/beloit/

**Uganda – SIT: Development Studies, Kampala, Uganda**

Fall, spring

**Language:** English, Luganda

**Prereqs:** Background courses in development recommended, previous independent research.

**Housing:** Homestays (6 weeks in Kampala, 1 week rural homestay), hostels, guest houses or small hotels.

**Details:** Study with Americans on the program; limited curriculum designed for non-specialists; student plans 6-week development practicum with a development organization; 2 week module with choice of focus on public health, grassroots development or gender and development; educational excursions.

**Scholarships:** SIT scholarships for specified programs, diversity, need.  
http://www.worldlearning.org/ssa_ugd.htm
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<td><strong>Washington Semester- American University, Washington DC</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Prereqs:</strong> Nomination from home school, strong academic record; introduction to world politics or similar coursework.</td>
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<td><strong>Details:</strong> Enroll in topic of study (e.g. Foreign Policy, Peace and Conflict Resolution, International Law and Organizations); study with U.S. and international students, set of courses related to the topic: Seminar (some include overseas travel), Internship, Research Project; expert guest speakers; meetings with policy makers; topics vary from year to year.</td>
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