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Student Magazine

Guide to Studying Abroad with ACA

2021-2022



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What Is ACA?

“The professors are absolutely kind, selfless, and thoughtful; I can tell that they genuinely care for the students. I really appreciate how they try to make us feel at home while studying abroad.”

—Chidinma Wilson (OU), ACA Argentina

Adventist Colleges Abroad (ACA) Consortium consists of 13 Seventh-day Adventist universities and colleges located primarily in North America. ACA provides qualified undergraduate students with opportunities to study abroad at ACA-affiliated institutions while completing program requirements of their home universities. Through ACA, students are immersed in the culture and life of another country while becoming conversant in its language. Thanks to such experiences, ACA students will gain an appreciation of, and perhaps an inspiration for, mission or other multi-cultural service.

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Covid-19 is a worldwide challenge that has created new dynamics for travel and study abroad. Our programs remain open in every country where it is safe to do so. We will continually monitor each country's status and make adjustments as needed. We are committed to prioritizing the safety of our students and staff while offering an exceptional study abroad experience that promotes cultural awareness and academic success.

Join us in offering students an opportunity to learn, grow, and expand their horizons through study abroad. Become an ACA sponsor.

Donate today!

ACA will match every dollar donated.

For more information, please email us at aca@nadadventist.org



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Why Study Abroad?

Academy students: our summer programs are for you too!

Please see pages 32 and 33



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- Get university credits for many courses, including some general education courses (check our course catalog online)
- Become more valuable to an employer by mastering fluency in another language.
- Immerse yourself in a foreign country and learn a new language
- Think outside the box and diversify your educational experience
- Dream bigger and expand your career opportunities
- Amplify visibility when applying for graduate programs
- Discover new skills and passions
- Deepen your spiritual life
- Enjoy awesome adventures and collect incredible personal stories
- Find the love of your life
- Study and travel for the best price EVER!
- Expand your horizons and become a world changer



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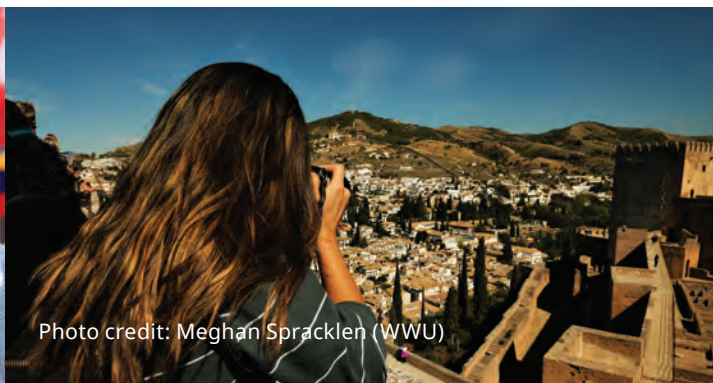


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“Going to Lebanon with ACA was one of the best decisions I’ve ever made... Learning about Lebanese culture and history has been an amazing experience, from the truly hospitable people to their fantastic food, it is something I will never forget.”

—Alianna Lobaina (WWU),
ACA Lebanon

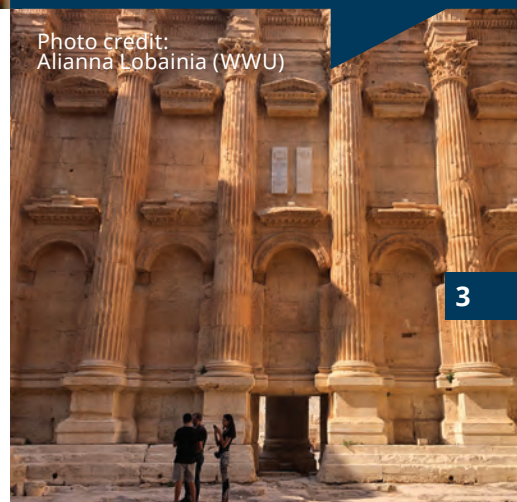


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Argentina



Austria



Brazil

Countries with

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Programs designed for all students: Humanities • Art •



Currently unavailable for study abroad.



England



France



Germany



Israel



Italy



Lebanon

ACA Programs

Social Work • Business • STEM • Theology • Healthcare



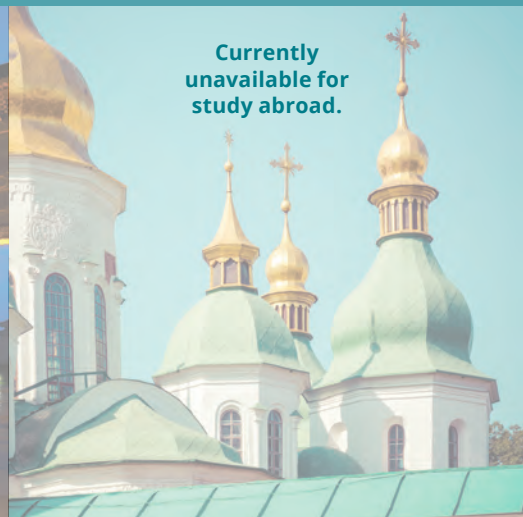
Spain



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Taiwan



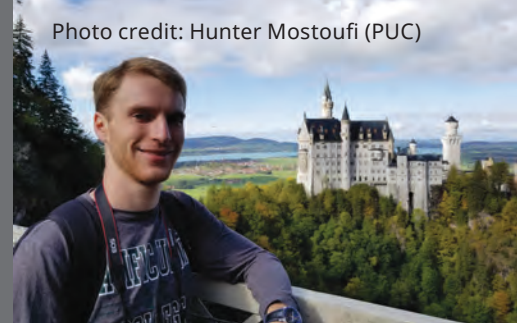
Currently unavailable for study abroad.



Ukraine

Applying to ACA

A Step-by-Step Guide through the Process



Eligibility To Apply

- College GPA of 2.5
- Good citizenship record
- For Spanish programs only:
*1 year college Spanish – or –
2 years high school Spanish
(No prerequisite for summer)*
- Must be currently enrolled
in an Adventist institution
(please contact us if you
are not).

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Application Deadlines

Summer

Friday, May 14, 2021

Academic year/Fall

Friday, July 30, 2021

Winter/Spring only


Friday, November 5, 2021

1.  Fill out our online application at:
www.acastudyabroad.com

2.  Print it.

3.  Collect required signatures

4.  Course information available at
www.acastudyabroad.com

5.  Recommended: Speak with the ACA
coordinator on campus, or email us at
aca@nadadventist.org

Please Note:

ACA recommends NOT buying a plane ticket before being admitted as an ACA student by the ACA Director and receiving your student visa (when applicable). ACA is not responsible for denied or delayed visas that may affect travel arrangements.

After You Apply

1. If approved by your home university, they will mail us your application.
2. Check your email! If accepted by ACA, we will send you an acceptance email with instructions regarding the mailing of an acceptance package with all the documents you will need.
3. **READ the instructions as soon as you receive them.** Got questions? Email us.

What You Will Need

For more suggestions please check the FAQs section on our website.



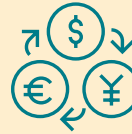
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A valid passport



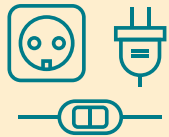
Possibly a visa
ACA office will provide information



Local currency
(of host country)



Credit card
American Express not recommended



Adapter plugs
Ethernet adapter for Apple products will provide a better internet connection



Phone charger
While traveling



Personal items
Appropriate clothing (Google weather of destination) • Personal toiletries • Comfortable walking shoes • Backpack for weekend trips.



A good sense of humor

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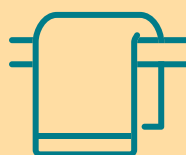
Attention: For an extended packing list, recommendations and policies, please visit the FAQ section of our website.

Items Provided on Host Campus

Sheets and blankets



Towels



Books



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Money Matters

Airfare, passport, and visa expenses not included in the ACA price.

We understand that finances matter when you think about studying abroad. Therefore, we are committed to keeping all ACA prices competitive and as low as possible. We also believe that your financial investment in ACA offers invaluable returns that will benefit you for a lifetime! Seriously, this may be your only chance to study abroad for a great price, using your Federal Aid + SDA subsidy (if applicable). See for yourself!

“The friends that you will make when going abroad will be more than just friends: these people are companions for life, even if an entire ocean splits you up. The friendships on my journey here in Germany have been the prime source for giving me an experience that will forever be a part of my life.”

—Hunter Mostoufi (PUC),
ACA Germany

Price of Your ACA Program Includes:

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- Tuition and fees
- Room and board
- Transfer of credits
- Books
- Program organized cultural tours (includes hotels, food, tickets)
- Health insurance and travel insurance (for more information visit the “Your Insurance” page on our website)
- Pick up/drop off at airport at beginning/end of program
- Unpaid internship opportunities during the academic year
- Pocket money—most ACA academic year programs offer students some pocket money

Employees of our church and institutions in the North American Division: Please consult with your HR about your benefits. Your child may be eligible for subsidy when studying abroad.



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Dates and Prices

Please refer to the previous page for a detailed listing of what is included in the ACA prices.



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Summer Session

A = Arrival **D** = Departure **P** = Price

| Austria | Brazil | France | Israel | Italy |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A: June 20, 2021 D: July 30, 2021 P: \$4,651.00 | A: June 29–30, 2021 D: Aug. 12–13, 2021 P: \$3,282.00 | A: June 18–20, 2021 D: July 30–31, 2021 P: \$4,240.00 | A: June 20–21, 2021 D: July 29–30, 2021 P: \$4,222.00 | A: June 18–20, 2021 D: July 30, 2021 P: \$3,635.00 |
| Spain | | | | |
| A: June 15–16, 2021 D: July 28, 2021 P: \$3,816.00 | | | | |

Academic Year Session

A = Arrival **D** = Departure **P** = Price

| Argentina** | Austria** | Brazil* | France | Germany |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A: Sept. 20, 2021 D: May 23, 2022 P: \$17,223.00 | A: Sept. 13, 2021 D: June 13, 2022 P: \$19,080.00 | A: Sept. 6–7, 2021 D: May 18–19, 2022 P: \$18,103.00 | A: Sept. 14–15, 2021 D: June 6–7, 2022 P: \$20,811.00 | A: Sept. 20, 2021 D: June 12, 2022 P: \$18,339.00 |
| Italy | Lebanon* | Spain | | |
| A: Sept. 17–19, 2021 D: May 31, 2022 P: \$19,022.00 | A: Aug. 24, 2021 D: May 20–21, 2022 P: \$17,000.00 | A: Sept. 21–22, 2021 D: May 30–31, 2022 P: \$17,812.00 | | |

* Semester system

** Students going for second quarter to Argentina, arrival date is **Jan. 9, 2022**; and Austria, second quarter arrival date is **Dec. 5, 2021**.

Argentina

LANGUAGE OF STUDY: SPANISH



Experience: Buenos Aires, Machu Picchu, Iguazu Falls, Patagonia, and more!

Airport: Buenos Aires Ministro Pistrarini (EZE)
Ezeize, Argentina



Attention: Healthcare and Social Work Students! Speaking Spanish will improve your service to future patients. Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.

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“True education is not the forcing of instruction on an unready and unreceptive mind. The mental powers must be awakened, the interest aroused.”

—Ellen G. White

Courses

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Argentina:

LANGUAGE COURSES

Intermediate Spanish

Advanced Spanish

ELECTIVES

Geography of Latin America

Folklore of Argentina

Latin American Literature

Current Events in South America

Translation and Interpretation

INTERNSHIPS

ESL

Translation

Multimedia

Primary School Teacher's Aid

For the catalog with a full list of courses visit
www.acastudyabroad.com



Dr. Haroldo Brouchy
Program Director



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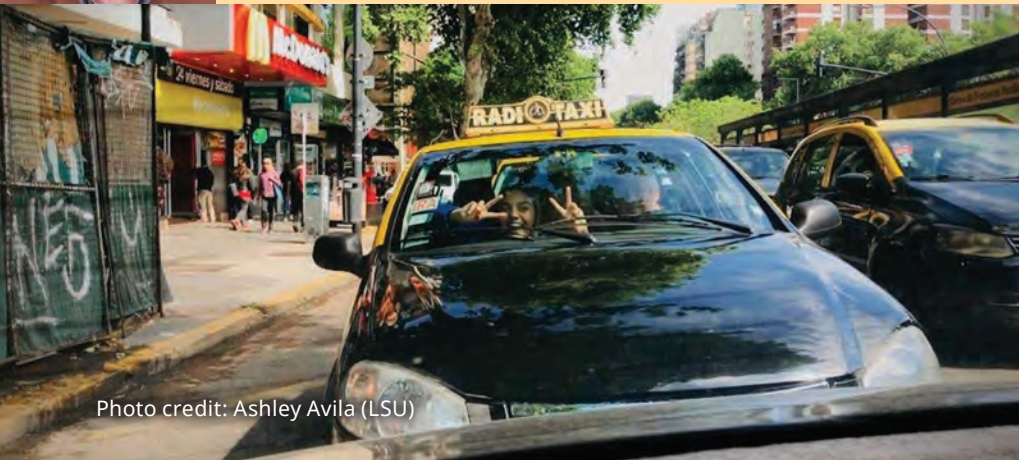


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Austria

LANGUAGE OF STUDY: GERMAN



Experience: Austrian Alps, Vienna, Berlin, and more!

Airport: Munich Airport (MUC), Germany



Attention: STEM & Business Students! Being fluent in German will bring many benefits to your careers. Theology students are highly advised to study German. Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.

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“Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness, and many of our people need it sorely on these accounts. Broad, wholesome, charitable views of men and things cannot be acquired by vegetating in one little corner of the earth all one’s lifetime.”

—Mark Twain

Courses

Summer program available.

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Austria:

LANGUAGE COURSES

Beginning German

Intermediate German

Austrian Cuisine

Chamber Orchestra & Choir

ELECTIVES

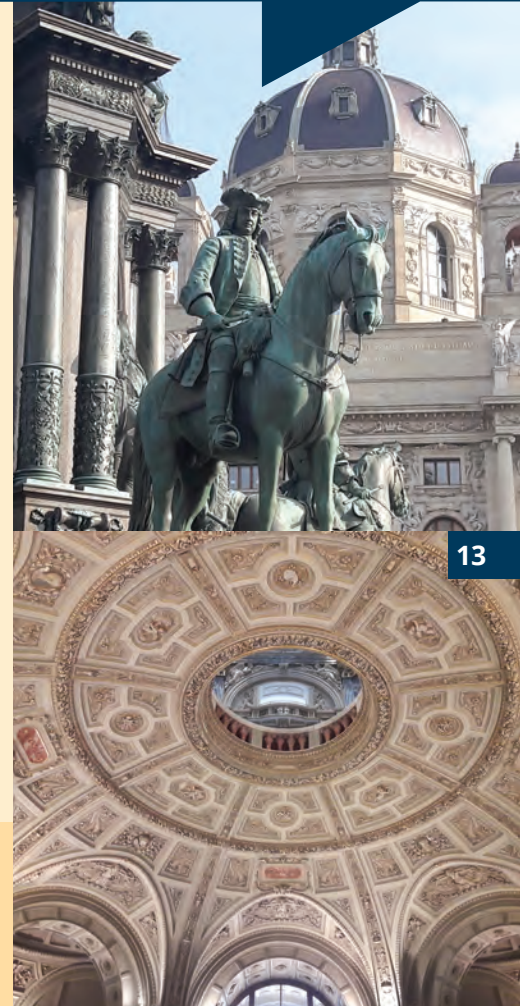
Survey of Literature for
Advanced German

European Civilization I & II

INTERNSHIP

Elementary Education

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Tatjana Turczynski
Program Director



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Brazil

LANGUAGE OF STUDY: PORTUGUESE



Experience: World renown beaches and islands, Iguazu Falls, Rio de Janeiro, and more!

Airport: Salvador International Airport (SSA), Salvador, Bahia, Brazil



Attention: Business and International Relation Students! Portuguese will allow you to connect with one of the 10 largest economic powers in the world. Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.



“Travel has a way of stretching the mind. The stretch comes not from travel’s immediate rewards, the inevitable myriad new sights, smells and sounds, but with experiencing first-hand how others do differently what we believed to be the right and only way.”

—Ralph Crawshaw

Courses

Summer program available.

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Brazil:

LANGUAGE COURSES

Beginning Portuguese
Intermediate Portuguese
Brazilian Literature

ELECTIVES

Brazilian Cuisine
Communication and Media:
A Brazilian Perspective
Current Events in Brazil
Translation and
Interpretation

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Jean Ouro
Program Director





England



Experience: Windsor Castle, Tower of London, Oxford, Globe Theatre, and more!

Airport: London Heathrow Airport (LHR), London



Attention: History and Business Students! Encounter history and networking opportunities around every corner! Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.

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“This world is your best teacher. There is a lesson in everything. There is a lesson in each experience. Learn it and become wise. Every failure is a stepping stone to success. Every difficulty or disappointment is a trial of your faith. Every unpleasant incident or temptation is a test of your inner strength. Therefore nil desperandum. March forward hero!”

—Swami Sivananda

Courses

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA England:

LITERATURE

British Literary Texts on Film and Location I and II

Shakespeare Drama Practicum

HISTORY

Reformation to Revolution

Empire to Entropy

BUSINESS

British and European Business Skills

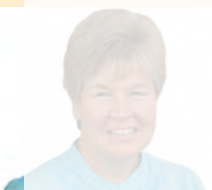
International Marketing: A British and Continental Europe Perspective

ELECTIVES

Cultural Anthropology
Religion and Ethics in Modern Society

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Dr. Sandra Rigby-Barrett
Program Director



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France

LANGUAGE OF STUDY: FRENCH



Experience: Versailles Palace, Paris, French Riviera, Switzerland, and more!

Airport: Geneva Airport (GVA), Switzerland



Attention: Political Science, History, International Relations, and Business Students! French is the second most widely learned language in the world and remains a major language in diplomacy. Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.

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“To my mind, the greatest reward and luxury of travel is to be able to experience everyday things as if for the first time, to be in a position in which almost nothing is so familiar it is taken for granted.”

—Bill Bryson

Courses

Summer program available.

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA France:

LANGUAGE COURSES

Beginning French
Intermediate French
Advanced French
Spelling and Grammar

ELECTIVES

French Fine Arts and
Monuments
French for Health Professionals
French Cuisine
France and Its History

INTERNSHIPS

ADRA
Media and Communication
Education
Medicine

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full list of courses visit
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Gosia Monnard
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Germany

LANGUAGE OF STUDY: GERMAN



Experience: Historic castles, Berlin, Munich, Baltic Coast and more!

Airport: Berlin Tegel (TXL) or Schönefeld Airport (SXF), Germany



Attention: STEM and Business Students! Being fluent in German will bring many benefits to your careers. Theology students are highly advised to study German. Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.

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“His education was gained directly from the Heaven-appointed sources; from useful work, from the study of the Scriptures and of nature, and from the experiences of life—God’s lesson books, full of instruction to all who bring to them the willing hand, the seeing eye, and the understanding heart.”

—Ellen G. White

Courses

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Germany:

LANGUAGE COURSES

Beginning German

Intermediate German

Advanced German

ELECTIVES

Ceramics: Drawing/
Handicraft

Brass Ensemble

Theology

Social Work

INTERNSHIPS

Social Work

Marketing

Business

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www.acastudyabroad.com



Aila Stammler
Program Director



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Photo credit: Professor Aila Stammler
Friedensau Adventist University



Israel

LANGUAGE OF STUDY: HEBREW



Experience: Old Jerusalem, Dead Sea region, Nazareth, Sea of Galilee, and more!

Airport: Ben Gurion International Airport (TLV), Tel Aviv



Attention: Theology Students! Do not miss this chance to study only 10 minutes away from the city of David and visit many biblical locations. Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.

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“The universe is a sort of book, whose first page one has read when one has seen only one’s own country.”

—Fougeret de Monbron

Courses

Only summer program available.

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Israel:

LANGUAGE COURSES

HEBR331, 332, 333

Biblical Hebrew

OTST/HEBR551, 552

Biblical Hebrew

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www.acastudyabroad.com



Dr. Zdravko Stefanovic
Program Director





Italy

LANGUAGE OF STUDY: ITALIAN



Experience: Florence, Rome, Venice, Amalfi Coast, and more!

Airport: Florence Airport (FLR), Italy



Attention: Art and Music Lovers! Bask in the beauty of Florence, the world capital of art! Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.



“I came for a new adventure and experience, but I found so much more than that. In the short few months that I’ve been here, I have grown, I have experienced great things, and I have learned so much. I’ve also been able to find a whole new loving family in Christ, and I know that life will never be the same.”

—Luiz Diz (PUC); ACA Italy

Courses

Summer program available.

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Italy:

LANGUAGE COURSES

Beginning Italian
Intermediate Italian
Advanced Italian

ELECTIVES

Techniques of Italian
Sculpture I, II, III
Fashion Design
Painting Styles and
Techniques
Photography in Italy

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INTERNSHIP

Art



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Antonietta Riviello
Program Director



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Lebanon

LANGUAGE OF STUDY: ARABIC



Experience: Visit three out of five destinations—Dubai, Egypt, Jordan, Oman, Turkey, and more!

Airport: Rafic Hariri International Airport (BEY), Beirut



Attention: Arabic is in high demand right now for many careers (Business, Diplomacy, Social Work). Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.

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“Observation more than books, experience rather than persons, are the prime educators.”

—A. Bronson Alcott

Courses

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Lebanon:

LANGUAGE COURSES

Beginning Arabic
Intermediate Arabic

ELECTIVES

Current Events in the Arab World
Arab People and Their Culture
Ministry of Jesus
Theory and Practice of Service

INTERNSHIPS

Communications
Marketing
Teaching
International Development
IT
Business
Graphic Design
Photography
Chaplaincy

For the catalog with a full list of courses visit
www.acastudyabroad.com



Dr. Shawna Vyhmeister
Program Director



Spain

LANGUAGE OF STUDY: SPANISH



Experience: Barcelona, Madrid, Mediterranean beaches, Morocco, and more!

Airport: Valencia Airport (VLC), Spain



Attention: Healthcare and Social Work Students! Speaking Spanish will improve your service to future patients. Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.

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“Being in Spain and being able to learn a language while also immersing myself in the culture has been eye-opening. I realized that it is nothing like learning a language in the states. I have noticed my Spanish vocabulary growing and it is very exciting to see myself go from barely speaking to now being capable of holding a conversation. I have been given the opportunity to travel to places I didn’t imagine myself going to until I graduated college. God has blessed me in so many ways and I am beyond grateful for the experience thus far.”

—Tori Waegele (SAU); ACA Spain

Courses

Summer program available.

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Spain:

LANGUAGE COURSES

Intermediate Spanish

Advanced Spanish

ELECTIVES

Spain and its Culture

Business Spanish

History of Spanish Literature

Spanish for Health

Professionals

INTERNSHIPS

Education

Social Work

Physical Therapy

Media/Communication

Youth Ministries

Dentistry

Business Administration

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Dr. Juan Antonio Lopez
Program Director



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Taiwan

LANGUAGE OF STUDY: CHINESE



Experience: Great Wall of China, The Forbidden City, Shanghai, and more!

Airport: Taichung International Airport (RMQ), Taichung City, Taiwan



Attention: Business and International Relations Students! Chinese will allow you to connect with the second largest economic power in the world. Be curious and learn more about how this language can help your career.

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“Learning is not attained by chance, it must be sought for with ardor and attended to with diligence.”

—Abigail Adams



Courses

Only summer program available.

The following are samples of courses offered through ACA Taiwan:

LANGUAGE COURSES

Beginning Mandarin I and II
Intermediate Mandarin

ELECTIVES

Chinese Culture, Customs,
and Traditions

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www.acastudyabroad.com



Dr. Kuah Kah Eng
Program Director





High Schoolers Applying To ACA



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Who?

High school/academy students 15+ years of age

What?

Academy Credit:

Earn 10 semester hours/
1 Carnegie unit through your high school or academy

OR

College Credit:

(Only for high school juniors and seniors)

Earn 9 quarter credits/
6 semester credits by enrolling through an Adventist college or university

How?

1. Fill out our online application at www.acastudyabroad.com (Please note that a letter of recommendation is required)
2. Print it
3. Collect required signatures at academy or college, depending on credits desired
4. See course information available at www.acastudyabroad.com
5. Contact the ACA office with any questions or concerns via email at aca@nadadventist.org

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When?

Application Deadlines

Summer

Friday, May 14, 2021

Dates and prices can be found on page 9.

Where?

Study on a Seventh-day Adventist campus in Austria, Brazil, France, Italy, or Spain

Let us know if you would like ACA to visit your academy!
Email us at aca@nadadventist.org

Teachers, parents, and chaperones

You are welcome to join ACA too! Ask us how you can participate in one of our ACA summer programs **for free!**



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ACA Campus Coordinators

Ready to apply? Your ACA Campus Coordinator is looking forward to hearing from you.



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