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I am applying for approval to participate in a Susquehanna University study away program (GO Long). I acknowledge that I have read and understand the following study away information below about academic and program deadlines, policies and requirements regarding this application for permission to study off campus for a semester

STUDY AWAY DEADLINES:

The deadline for Fall AND Spring semester programs in the next academic year is November 15th.

STUDY AWAY ELIGIBILITY:

Generally, students must have at least a 2.5 GPA to study away on a semester program, and many programs require a 3.0 GPA. Some have additional language and other requirements. To remain eligible, students must meet their approved program requirements, remain in good academic standing, and cannot be on disciplinary probation. In addition, students cannot have an outstanding balance on their SU account.

REQUIREMENTS TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO STUDY OFF CAMPUS:

We recommend that students attend a Study Away Information Session and/or meet with a GO staff member prior to submitting your application. Students should also meet with their academic advisor or faculty member in their major or intended major to discuss courses they will take before studying away, while studying away, and upon their return to SU. Students must have a plan for fulfilling major, minor (if applicable), and central curriculum requirements before and after their studying away.

FINANCING STUDY AWAY:

Students will be charged Susquehanna University tuition, activity, health and study away administrative fees during the semester in which they study off campus in an approved SU GO Long program. Students will be billed by Susquehanna University for the study away program room fee (and board when applicable). Some programs have additional fees for specific classes or room options, which will be billed to the student. In addition, each student will, upon acceptance to a study-away program, be required to pay a deposit directly to the program (SU-in deposits are billed directly by Susquehanna). In order for the student to participate in study away, the university requires that all accounts be current.

Students in approved GO Long study away programs who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents will be eligible for most forms of financial aid and scholarships, limited to one semester of off-campus study. To access need-based financial aid for off-campus study, students must:

- Complete the standard financial aid application, meeting university deadlines;
- Review and sign the study away cost sheet which lists the estimated costs they expect to incur while abroad.
- Meet or exceed the required grade point average and satisfactory academic progress requirements for renewal of scholarship assistance and/or need-based financial aid.
- Maintain a course load of at least 12 credits while abroad. Most forms of SU-sponsored scholarship assistance will continue to be available to students in approved SU GO Long programs. Exceptions include all Tuition Exchange awards. Tuition Exchange awards may be applied only to 'SU in' programs.

SU students pay a study away administrative fee when they study on a semester program off-campus. Please see the program budget sheet for more information.

SELECTION OF STUDY AWAY TERM:

Students applying to study away must be flexible about their study away semester. As a small university at which every single student will study away, Susquehanna is strongly affected by fluctuations in study away enrollments. SU must carefully manage the number of students studying away in fall and spring. Students are asked to select a preferred study away semester but are not guaranteed their choice. Change of semester requests are not guaranteed after students have received initial approval.

SELECTION OF STUDY AWAY PROGRAM:

Students must select a study away program (international or domestic) that is approved by Susquehanna University. Please see the GO Program website for a list of approved programs. Students must demonstrate that they meet all eligibility requirements for their preferred programs. They must also demonstrate a strong academic rationale and relevant preparation for these selections. The GO Program will verify student GPA, academic, and disciplinary records. We will make every effort to accommodate your program preference; however, we ask that you provide us with alternatives so that we can better work with you if this is not possible. Some programs have very limited enrollment. Students selecting a limited enrollment program should expect that they may have to consider an alternate program.

COURSES:

Students must be enrolled in the equivalent of 12 credits during their semester away. Students must use the course approval process for GO during the semester before they participate in GO Long. This process helps identify how a students' courses will transfer back to Susquehanna. Please note that Susquehanna cannot guarantee that specific courses will be offered during the semester away.