Education Abroad Program -UCSD Self-Assessment -- Physical or Mental Disability

EAP at UCSD and the Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD) are committed to facilitating the participation of students with disabilities in study abroad. By voluntarily providing information about your physical or mental limitations and any impact they may have on your study abroad, your EAP adviser can be better prepared with relevant information about your proposed host institution abroad. This form should be completed only by students who will require special arrangements abroad for a physical or mental disability.

If you currently receive services from OSD, we recommend that you discuss your study abroad plans with your OSD specialist. In order to determine the availability of accommodations in various locations abroad, EAP requires documentation of the accommodations you need, which OSD may be able to provide. If you do not currently receive services from OSD, you may wish to contact an OSD advisor. UCSD and the City of San Diego are user friendly for students with disabilities, but many universities abroad are not equally prepared to address these issues. As a result, arranging any accommodations -- even additional time for exams -- can take months. Completing this form tells your EAP adviser you may need a reasonable accommodation for a disability when abroad, and will trigger a reminder for you to get the needed OSD letter. The University of California is not required by law to accommodate students in programs abroad. Therefore, generally, the cost of accommodations abroad for a disability is the student's responsibility.

<u>About this form</u>: Completion is voluntary. Information provided here is kept confidential; it will have no bearing on EAP admission and is kept separate from the application file.

It may be useful to discuss the following items concerning study abroad with your OSD adviser.

1. a) Please briefly describe the specific needs that require consideration in planning your study abroad. (For example: assistance in learning; hearing; seeing; mobility; coping with a physical or mental health condition.) (Continue on back, if needed)

b) Academic needs: (Please continue on back if more space is needed.)

c) Logistical and other needs (housing, personal care, etc.) (Continue on back, if needed)

2. Facilities, awareness, and understanding pertaining to a disability may be very different abroad from UCSD. It is important you understand the cultural perceptions of disabilities in the country you are considering. OSD can be of assistance in developing strategies to cope with such differences.

Name	Country	Date
Term/Year abroad	Email address	

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