

# PROGRAM TYPE COMPARISON

## Credit-bearing experiences



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY  
Education Abroad

	EXCHANGE	FIELD TRIPS	AFFILIATE PROVIDERS	FACULTY-LED
	Exchange programs involve the reciprocal exchange of students between Texas A&M and our partner institutions abroad.	Field Trips are led by faculty members at Texas A&M as an international component of their on-campus course.	Affiliate providers are organizations that offer international programs and services to students from a variety of institutions.	Faculty-led programs are A&M-credit courses that are led and taught by Texas A&M faculty abroad.
<b>Duration*</b>	Semester	Summer/Winter Break/Spring Break	Semester/Summer/Winter Break	Summer/Winter Break/Semester
<b>Cost</b>	\$ \$ \$	\$ \$ \$	\$ \$ \$	\$ \$ \$
<b>Taught by</b>	Local Professors	TAMU Faculty/Staff	Local Professors/Hired Instructors	TAMU Faculty/Staff
<b>Level of on-site support</b>	min.  max.	min.  max.	min.  max.	min.  max.
<b>Credit type</b>	Transfer Credit	TAMU Credit	Transfer Credit	TAMU Credit
<b>Classes with</b>	Local/International Students	TAMU Students	Local/U.S. Study Abroad Students	TAMU Students
<b>Housing options</b>	Dorm  Homestay  Apt.	Dorm  Apt.  Hotel	Dorm  Homestay  Apt.	Dorm  Homestay  Hotel
<b>Housing with</b>	Local/International Students	TAMU Students	U.S. Study Abroad Students	TAMU Students
<small>*Duration terms are typical of each program type. Some specific programs may differ from what is listed.</small>	<b>Ideal for students who...</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have high financial need or are on a budget</li> <li>Want to be fully immersed in their host culture</li> <li>Are interested in meeting students from all over the world</li> </ul>	<b>Ideal for students who...</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Want a short-term experience for less than 2 weeks</li> <li>Enjoy being with other Aggies abroad</li> <li>Are interested in service and volunteer projects abroad</li> </ul>	<b>Ideal for students who...</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Need flexibility in their course options and time abroad</li> <li>Value personalized and robust support services and programming, like excursions and mentoring</li> <li>Want to build close relationships with students in their cohort</li> </ul>	<b>Ideal for students who...</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Want to take a specific TAMU course taught by a TAMU faculty member</li> <li>Can't fit a semester of study abroad into their academic plan</li> <li>Want to build close relationships with program leaders and other Aggies in their cohort</li> </ul>

*Not all programs within each type will have every option listed above, and it's possible that some programs may be different than the categorization above. To read about the specifics of each program, visit [abroad.tamu.edu](http://abroad.tamu.edu) and find your program of interest by using the portal search feature.*