# International Study Abroad

The Office of Study Abroad (OSA) currently offers over 2,000 study abroad programs in over 50 countries. Undergraduate and graduate students can earn credit toward their MSU degree through these study abroad programs. Study abroad can be designed to meet any academic major's or minor's requirements. Knowledge of a foreign language is not required. Costs of the different programs vary depending on location and duration. Financial aid, scholarships, and loans are available to interested students.

### **Faculty-Led Study Abroad Programs**

Many MSU faculty and staff from all colleges plan and implement their own study abroad programs and students receive MSU credit. These programs are held during summer, winter, and spring break, and are comprised of mostly MSU students. For some language programs, students study at other universities, but still receive MSU credit. Faculty-led programs change annually, and updated lists are provided about six months prior to each start date.

## Cooperative Center for Study Abroad (CCSA)

Courses offered through CCSA are designed by faculty members from several participating universities around the United States. Comprised of groups of students from all participating universities, these courses are taught only in English-speaking countries, to include: Australia, Belize, Canada, England, Ghana, Hong Kong, India, Ireland, Jamaica, Scotland, and South Africa. Students receive MSU credit.

# **Semester Exchange Programs**

Students who choose to study for a semester or academic year in another country can participate in a semester exchange program where the students register and pay tuition at MSU, but study at a partnering university. MSU currently has more than 15 student exchange programs that are open for students in various majors. MSU is also part of the Global Engineering Education Exchange specifically designed for engineering students. Students receive transfer credit for all exchange courses.

### **Provider Companies**

MSU has entered into agreements with several study abroad provider companies in order to offer a wide variety of short- and long-term study abroad experiences. Students receive transfer credit for all approved provider company programs.

For a complete listing of all study abroad opportunities, or for more information, contact the Office of Study Abroad, at studyabroad@msstate.edu (studyabroad@aoce.msstate.edu), (662) 325-8929, www.studyabroad.msstate.edu, or www.facebook.com/MSUStudyAbroad (http://www.facebook.com/MSUStudyAbroad)