

## Study Abroad Evaluation

General Information			
Your Name	[REDACTED]		
Host Country	England		
Host School/Agency	UCA		
Participation Dates	Jan - April		
Your Program of Study	Fashion Design		
Type of Study Abroad	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exchange	<input type="checkbox"/> Practicum	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent <input type="checkbox"/> Other
General Evaluation			
In a couple of sentences, summarize why you rated your experience the way you did	My experience was amazing. I enjoyed everything about. The school was great & the country was fantastic.		
Arrival			
How easy or challenging was it to obtain your travel documents (visa, permits, etc.)?	Very easy. They stamp your passport & you have a visa for 6 months.		
Describe your transportation arrangements to your host country. Would you alter any part of those arrangements?	I flew & then taxied to my place. It would have been easier if we had called a car from Epsom because it'd be cheaper.		
How was your experience clearing customs and immigration upon arrival in your host country? Any surprises?	Very easy. I had made sure I had all my papers.		
Describe how you traveled to your host facility. How long did it take and how much did it cost?	Taxi. £70. About an hour, hour & a half.		
Orientation and Assistance			
How satisfied were you with the orientation and student assistance available to at your host school?	- the school was very helpful. There was no orientation for exchange students but the school would set up anything you needed.		
What help did you receive from the international staff or office? What was your evaluation of your host schools international staff or office?	international where so helpful. Always emailed me back. → I never actual met them. But any time we had problems they would help.		
Orientation and Assistance (cont'd)			
How was new student			

orientation at the host university? How did it suit your needs?	→ it was useful. I had a tour of the school which was helpful.
What was it like to adjust to the culture of your exchange site? Were there people and resources available for you to talk to about what you were experiencing?	→ very easy. I fell into their way of life easily. → I went to counselling @ UCA & it was super helpful.
<b>Housing</b>	
Describe your accommodation in your host country.	Stayed in dorms. Single room w/ bathroom share a kitchen with your floor.
How early could you move into housing before term and how long after the end of term were you allowed to stay?	→ As soon as I got there (Jan. 2) could stay until the end of May.
How comfortable were you with your accommodation?	→ I really liked it.
Describe what you did about meals and what other options were available. How satisfied were you with the food?	grocery shopped → there was store close by. we had a kitchen so I could make my own meals. food was great.
How close was your accommodation to where you studied?	2 mins away. Right on campus.
<b>Academics &amp; Course Registration</b>	
Please describe the registration process at your host institution. What assistance was available to you? Were you satisfied?	→ very difficult in the fall. epsom people were very helpful.
What advice would you offer to another exchange student about registration at your host institution?	Please come talk to me!
What course load would you recommend for future students? Are there particular courses would you recommend?	We had mandatory classes to take so we had no choice. The classes were great.
<b>Academics &amp; Course Registration (cont'd)</b>	
How satisfied were you with the	

amount of knowledge/skills you obtained from your host?	Super Satisfied.
How did the style of teaching compare to Canada? How did the workload compare to Canada?	Very creative. More relaxed yet Super intense.
How many courses did you take during your time abroad?	2.
If applicable, what impact did the language barrier have on your learning?	N/A
What was your impression of the computer facilities, library, internet access, specialized equipment and supplies available at your host facility?	They had everything. It was great.
<b>Cost</b>	
Books and Supplies/per term:	£20 - £50
Flight:	\$1,000
Accommodation/per month:	\$4,000
Meals/per month:	£100 - 200
Local transportation/per month:	£50 - 100
Health insurance/per term:	N/A
Communication (internet, phone, etc.) - per term	£10 <del>0</del>
Travel documents (passport, entry visa, etc.)	
Vaccinations:	N/A
Personal spending (entertainment and extra travel) - per term	around \$4,000?
Were there unexpected costs you encounter? What items were less or more expensive than expected?	everything was quite expensive.
<b>Extra-Curricular &amp; Social Activities</b>	
How satisfied were you with the out-of-class opportunities available at your host site?	Very close to London, did <u>a lot</u> of exploring.
What type of organized activities were available to you? What extra-curricular activities would you recommend to future	N/A

students?	
What opportunities were there to work or volunteer? Did you require special permits to do this?	N/A
<b>Health and Safety</b>	
Did you feel safe in your host country?	yes.
Describe any safety concerns you had during your experience.	N/A
<b>Personal and Cultural Connections</b>	
How successful were you at making friends with local (not international) people and students?	Very easily. They were so kind & helpful, sweet & friendly.
How did you find it adjusting to the culture of your host site?	Very easy. I jumped right in.
What, if any, cultural differences did you find particularly challenging?	The words & phrases & the way they said time. <u>Crosswalks</u> .
What part(s) of the culture did you most appreciate?	All of it.
How were you treated by local people? By university staff and faculty? By students?	Everyone was so helpful & polite. I never had a problem.
As far as you could tell, how easy would it be for students with disabilities to study at your partner university?	Very easy. They offer a lot of support. We had 2 deaf students in our program.
As far as you could tell, for students who are visible minorities in your host country?	little more difficult, but not bad. There were very few asians.
For students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered?	No problem.
<b>Overall</b>	
What are <b>five</b> important things other students should know before going to your host country/region?	

1. Take every opportunity that comes up.	
2. Try new foods.	
3. Explore all of London. Even if you have class the next day.	
4. Take maps & know <del>where</del> where you're going.	
5. Make a list of all the places you want to go.	
What are <b>ten</b> important things you would tell another student who is going to your host facility/agency?	
1. Make friends.	
2. Check out & use the library.	
3. Take every opportunity from your instructors.	
4. Manage your class time.	
5. Do something different.	
6. Take advantage of the classes.	
7. Bring your own sewing stuff & drafting stuff.	
8. Counciling & other services if needed.	
9. Pay attention to what you need.	
10. Be open to new ideas.	
What was the most rewarding part of your study abroad experience?	All of it.
What was the greatest challenge you faced during your experience abroad?	myself. → had to push myself to do things but it was amazing.
How has your perspective changed as a result of your study abroad experience?	Yes, i'm a different person because of it.
What else do you want to add out your study abroad experience?	It's the best thing that can happen to you. Do it, otherwise you'll regret it.