Students may apply for international study through a variety of venues: the A&D exchange programs, other American universities, or through the U-M Office of International Programs. For the last two options, students apply directly to the other programs. For exchange through A&D, students follow the procedure below:

- Students indicate their preference for international study programs on the International Study Plans form.

- A faculty committee makes selections after reviewing each student’s interests and suitability as indicated by the student’s educational preparation, and notifies students of the committee decisions.

- John Luther notifies host institutions of the committee’s selections, and the application process begins. John gives each student the name and email address for a person at the host institution who will be able to answer questions about details.

- Each institution has a different application process, but common to all are a portfolio and a work plan for the student’s semester of study at the host institution. The portfolio is usually an 8 1/2 x 11 sleeve of slides. Digital portfolios can be accommodated. A student’s work plan should include personal background, reasons for interest in the exchange program selected, the educational experience in studio practice, the plans for studio work in the host institution, and language capabilities.

- International study applications are due three months before the start of the period of study in the host institution, a deadline that will vary with academic year calendars around the world. John Luther informs individual students regarding deadlines. John mails application packets to host institutions.

Information sources:

Mary Schmidt, Associate Dean maryanna@umich.edu
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Wendy Dignan, Director of Graduate Academic Services wwilks@umich.edu
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John Luther, Career Development Coordinator jonel@umich.edu
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Office of International Programs, G513 Michigan Union
Check out their extensive web site at http://www.umich.edu/~iinet/oip/

Annette Haines has extensive Internet links to international programs through sitemaker.umich.edu/art-design_field_librarian/international_study

School of Art & Design Exchange Programs:
The School of Art & Design is developing many international exchange programs. At this point the programs listed below are active. For each exchange program the following guidelines apply:

When: Students may study abroad for one semester of the junior year. Due to academic calendar differences, many programs will permit exchange only in the winter semester. Some others may accommodate fall study.

Cost: U-M tuition, housing, meals, round-trip transportation, and personal expenses.


Eligibility: Junior status. School of Art & Design selection is required.

Application: Students indicate preferences, followed by committee selections.

- Queensland University of Technology – Australia - www.studyabroad.qut.edu.au
- Nova Scotia College of Art & Design – Canada - www.nscad.ns.ca
- Universidad de Chile – Chile – www.uchile.cl
- Universidad del Desarollo – Chile – www.udd.cl/internacional/foreign/contact.php
- Academy of Art and Design, Tsinghua University – China
- Dansmark Designskole – Denmark - www.dkdesignskole.dk/uk_version/index.htm
- Berlin University of the Arts – Germany - http://www.udk-berlin.de/
- Magdeburg University of Applied Sciences – Germany
- Politecnico di Milano – Italy - www.polimi.it/english/
- Kyoto Seika University – Japan - www.kyoto-seika.ac.jp
- Universidad Veracruzana – Mexico - www.uv.mx/eee
- Norwegian University of Science and Technology – Norway - www.ntnu.no/english/
- Pontificia Universidad Catolica del Peru – Peru – www.pucp.edu.pe/acerca/relinter/index_i.htm
- Facultat de Belles Artes, Universitat de Barcelona – Spain – www.ub.edu/en
- Instituut voor de Opleiding van Leraren – Surnim
- Ecole Cantonale d’Art du Valais – Switzerland - www.ecav.ch/
- Taipei National University of the Arts – Taiwan – www.tnua.edu.tw/brief/index-e.html
- School of Art, Design & Architecture, Bilkent University – Turkey - www.art.bilkent.edu.tr/

Consortium Agreements:
- Burren College of Art – Ireland - www.burrencollege.com

U-M Supported Programs

The Office of International Programs can provide information about programs sponsored by the University. In most cases, U-M financial aid continues.

Other Universities & Independent Programs:

There are literally hundreds of international study programs offered through other American universities, or students may apply directly to international institutions. With these programs U-M financial aid is affected. Students must check with U-M Financial Aid for details involving their individual financial aid.