



Message from the Director



Dear Students,

As we turn to December and the last few weeks of the semester, I would like to offer a few reminders and suggestions regarding the upcoming January 5, 2024 study abroad deadline.

If you are interested in studying abroad during the 2024-25 academic year (fall, spring, or full year), all students must apply by January 5. In order to be eligible to apply, all students must complete the [Initial Advising Questionnaire](#), attend a [Study Abroad 101](#), and complete the [My OGEApp](#). The deadline applies to all semester programs. Any student wishing to study abroad next year must be approved by OGE. Students are not permitted to study abroad outside of this established process.

The last Study Abroad 101 is scheduled for December 15, 2023. Please plan accordingly. No further 101s will be scheduled during the winter break. For meetings with our Program Managers, please read the section below for separate instructions.

Once you have completed the 101, please be sure to apply by the January 5 deadline. Please pay particular attention to the “Conversation about Study Abroad Recommendations” in your My OIP App. OGE only asks students to have a brief conversation with a faculty member; it is not a written recommendation.

A word on applying to study abroad: it is better to apply for approval to study abroad by the deadline. Applying to study abroad is not a binding decision; you can apply and decide to turn down the opportunity. However, OGE does not accept late applications; after January 5, there is no longer an opportunity to be considered for a study abroad program. Additionally, students are not permitted to apply to a semester study abroad program without first being approved by OGE. This means if you are considering a semester or year abroad, you must apply by January 5, 2024.

Please be mindful that Boston College strives to have a balanced study abroad enrollment between the fall and spring semesters. It is likely that some students who are only considering spring semester options may be approved for a fall semester abroad and vice versa. Please plan accordingly as you finalize your six choices. We recommend selecting at least one fall program option to ensure that you can be placed in a program. There will not be further opportunities for switches (apart from waitlisting) or additional program selection after the application deadline.

For our departing spring semester abroad students, OGE hopes you have a wonderful experience abroad! All students, please note BC and OGE will be closed for the winter holidays starting December 22nd, returning to the office on January 2, 2024.

If you are considering a summer study abroad program, the deadline to apply is February 5, 2024. Summer programs or internships are another great option for students considering spending time abroad.

I encourage you to reach out to OGE if you have any final questions or concerns. Best of luck with your upcoming final papers and exams. On behalf of the OGE, I hope you all have a wonderful holiday season!

Larry Pickener
Director, Office of Global Education

Meeting with Program Managers

At this time of year, our Program Managers are often fully booked for individual student appointments several weeks in advance. However, each Program Manager is conducting group advising meetings to compensate. Group advising meetings are a useful way to have your questions answered if you cannot secure an individual meeting.

If you absolutely need an individual appointment, please continue to check their appointment calendars: space may open up. You can also email individual Program Managers with questions, however, please note that due to the volume of advising appointments and emails, it may take 24-48 hours to receive a response. Please be patient and considerate as we respond to each inquiry.

Students who are not able to make their appointment times for any reason are kindly requested to inform the OGE in advance, so that times can be released back through the calendars. Please follow the steps from the booking confirmation instead of declining the calendar event.

Save The Date

BC Summer Abroad Spotlight
Wednesday, January 24
2:00-4:00
Gasson Hall 100

Learn about the upcoming summer abroad offerings through BC. Meet program alumni and faculty leaders. See what projects students completed and hear about their experiences.

Summer 2024 Applications are Now Open!



Did you know that you can study abroad as early as the summer after your freshman year?

The OGE offers a variety of four-week BC faculty-led programs and eight-week internships abroad each summer. Program applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. Apply as soon as possible to secure your spot. There has been a lot of interest in studying or interning abroad for summer 2024. Advising is required for internships only but OGE or the summer faculty are happy to meet with you to answer any questions you may have.

Check out some new and returning BC faculty-led programs for summer 2024!

[Borders and Refugees: The Ethics of Migration](#)
[Collaborative Service Engineering Project or Innovation through Design Thinking in Manila](#)
[Financial Accounting in Prague Czech Republic](#)
[From Coffee to Collective Action: Studying Sustainable and Socially-Responsible Organizations in Melbourne](#)
[Provence: Art, Culture, Cinema, Diversity](#)
[Art and Architecture in Vienna](#)

In addition, we are focusing on Asia and South America for our internship offerings in summer 2024.

[Buenos Aires Internship Program](#)
[Hong Kong Internship Program](#)
[Montevideo Internship Program](#)
[Seoul Internship Program](#)
[Singapore Internship Program](#)
[Tokyo Internship Program](#)

Upcoming Info Session

LEARN ABOUT
STUDYING ABROAD IN

QUITO, ECUADOR

ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

- Improve your Spanish
- Explore Ecuador's natural beauty
- Trips to the Galapagos and the Amazon
- Take classes at Universidad San Francisco de Quito, a top institution
- Shadow medical professionals, for those interested in the medical field
- Program-exclusive service opportunities

Tuesday,
Dec 5th
5:30pm
on Zoom



REGISTER HERE!

QUESTIONS?

Email
odonnefp@bc.edu



Learn more about studying abroad in Quito, Ecuador! Join program managers for an information session on Tuesday, December 5th at 5:30pm on Zoom (<https://bccte.zoom.us/j/97001864017>) to learn more about program requirements, highlights of the program and Quito, and the application process. All questions can be directed to odonnefp@bc.edu.

Outpost

A promotional poster for the 'OUTPOST' international retreat. The top half features a scenic view of Amsterdam with a canal, a boat, and historic buildings under a sunset sky. The text 'OUTPOST' is prominently displayed in a large, outlined font, with 'AN INTERNATIONAL RETREAT' underneath. Below that, the dates 'March 1st - March 3rd' and the location 'in Amsterdam' are listed. A large QR code is centered on a light yellow background, with the text 'REGISTER NOW!' to its right. Below the QR code, it says 'SCAN THE QR CODE ABOVE TO APPLY!'. At the bottom left, there is contact information: 'Questions? Email outpost@bc.edu'. At the bottom right, there is a smaller QR code and the text 'ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BEING A STUDENT LEADER ON THIS RETREAT? FILL OUT OUR INTEREST FORM HERE!'.

The OGE will hold an Outpost retreat for students abroad during the Spring of 2024. Students interested in meeting up with other BC students abroad as well as BC Faculty and Staff to reflect on the academic & personal aspects of your study abroad experience should follow [this link](#) for more information.

Passport Update

Reminder to all sophomores who are applying to OGE for study abroad: if you have a passport that expires anytime **before December 2025**, please get it renewed now! There is a significant delay time in processing passport renewals and it could take more time than expected, so please start your renewal process now as you will need your **NEW** passport information for the application process when you apply directly to your host program. Once you receive the new passport, remember to sign it as well!

Become a BC Buddy

Office of Global Education

BC Buddy Program

The program offers a peer network for exchange students as they adjust to campus life at Boston College as well as an opportunity for BC students to learn about cultures, languages and countries abroad. These encounters encourage all participants to reflect on and gain a deeper understanding of their own culture through new perspectives.

Deadline: December 10, 2023



REGISTER NOW >



Spring Spotlight

UNAS3343 Cross Currents Seminar: Thinking about Intercultural Competency

Instructors: Adrienne Nussbaum, Patricia Lowe
Day/Time: Tuesdays, 4:30 PM - 05:45 PM

Course Description:

Over the course of the past two years, the world has experienced twin pandemics, COVID-19, and a continuation of systemic racism. Students entering the workforce today, no matter what profession or field of study, need to be equipped with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes to successfully interact with colleagues, clients, customers and communities who are different from themselves. This seminar will help students develop their knowledge and skills through intentional exposure to relevant theoretical materials, meaningful and structured interactions and discussions with diverse groups of people, and reflection on the impact of these experiences on their own identities and their relationships with others. Issues pertaining to both domestic and international diverse populations will be explored as well as current local, national, and international events which relate to these topics.

If interested please email Adrienne Nussbaum: adrienne.nussbaum@bc.edu with your name, eagle ID, and a sentence or two about why you want to take this course, for example, it relates to your major, other courses you have taken at BC, career goals.

Scholarships

[David L. Boren National Security Education Program \(NSEP\):](#)

The David L. Boren National Security Education Program (NSEP) is for graduate and undergraduate students who desire to learn less commonly taught languages in world regions critical to U.S. interests. In exchange for funding, Boren Awards recipients commit to working in the federal government for at least one year after graduation. Must be a U.S. citizen.


Students interested in the David L. Boren National Security Education Program (NSEP) should schedule an appointment with [Christina Hatzipetros](#) in advance of the deadlines.

BC Campus Deadline: January 3rd, 2024 by 5pm EST


Boren Fellowships: January 24th, 2024 at 5pm EST

Boren Scholarships: January 31st, 2024 at 5pm EST

Greek Night



Annual Greek Night





The Hellenic Society of Boston College invites you to join us for a formal evening of Greek food, dance and parea! Boston College students, faculty, family and friends are welcome, as well as students from other universities.

December 1st, 7 p.m.
Corcoran Commons - Heights Room

Ticket Prices

- Students: \$20
- Non-BC Students: \$25
- Faculty: \$40
- Alumni and Friends: \$50



All members of the Boston community, including students, faculty, family, and friends are welcome to join the Hellenic Society of Boston College for a formal evening of Greek food, dance, music from a Greek DJ, and a great time! Feel free to bring a date, family, friends, Greeks or non-Greek! Join us for a memorable night of fun and immersion in Greek culture. This is our club's biggest event of the year and you don't want to miss it! [Get your tickets today.](#)

**McGillycuddy-Logue
Fellows Class of 2026**

SAY HELLO TO THE NEW

McGillycuddy-Logue Fellows Class of 2026 Cohort



Lily Boyd
Major: English
Minor: Religion and American
Public Life
Hometown: Brooklyn, NYC



Camila Besada
Major: Management & Leadership,
and Accounting
Minor: Managing for Social Impact
Hometown: Los Angeles, CA



Lexi Cole
Major: International Studies
Minor: Journalism
Hometown: Nashville, TN



Andrew Trinder
Major: Global Public Health
Minor: Finance
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Caitlin Waldron
Major: Management, Finance Concentration
Hometown: New Jersey



Lauren Morgante
Major: Political Science
Minor: Philosophy
Hometown: Monroe, NY



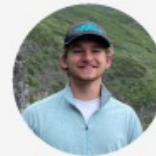
Doug Suell
Major: International Studies;
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Sarah Park
Major: International Studies &
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Jane Commons
Major: Accounting for Consulting; Philosophy
Hometown: Arlington, MA



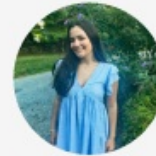
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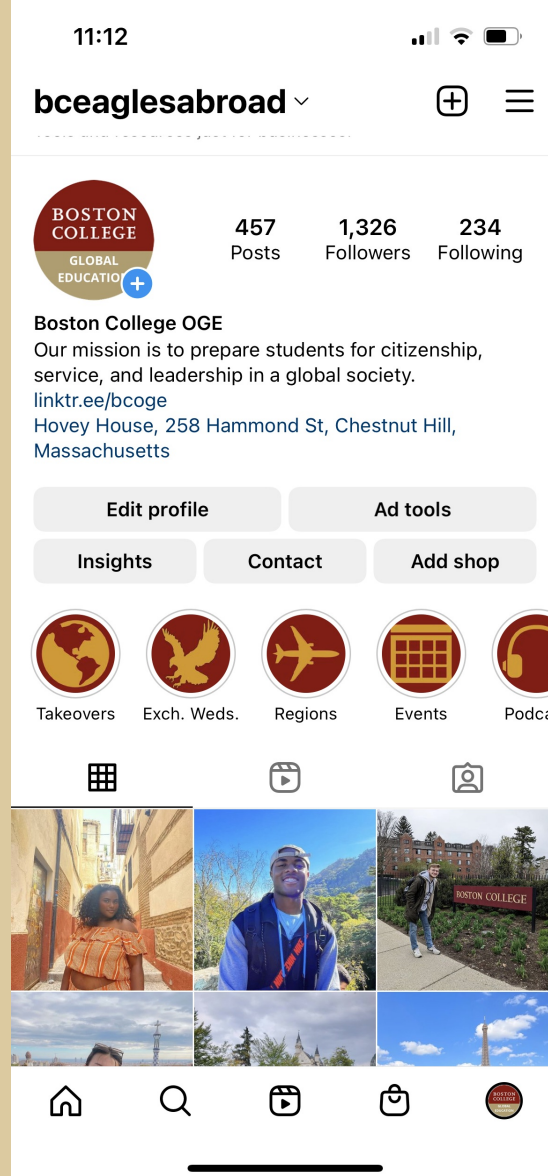
Kate Morrel
Major: Applied Psychology
Minor: Finance; Philosophy
Hometown: Pittsford, NY



Vanessa Espinosa
Major: Marketing &
Communications
Minor: Leadership in Higher Ed. &
Community Settings
Hometown: Farmingdale, NY

This month, we welcomed our new McGillycuddy-Logue Fellows Program Class of 2026 Cohort! Over the course of five semesters, these sophomores will take classes, go on retreats, complete international service, and learn more about what it means to be a global citizen. Congratulations to our newest members!

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