It is the policy of Cabrillo College to provide Study Travel Programs which shall include study travel/field study courses and semesters abroad. A study travel/field study course, usually short-term in length, is taught off-campus in order to present course content within a specific environment that enhances learning; a semester abroad program provides a full-term program of study at a site in a foreign country.

The college recognizes that the movement of students across communities with diverse cultural, geographic, linguistic, and national boundaries is an important and enriching element of post-secondary education, and that field study is a significant component of natural and social science curricula.

Study Travel Programs provide instruction which allows students to:

1. Develop international perspectives
2. Receive appropriate credit for courses meeting the same curriculum standards as courses conducted on campus
3. Live, learn, and experience an environment that is different in language, culture, history and traditions
4. Study course content within a biological habitat, geographic, or cultural context

Study Travel credit is awarded only for educational achievement and performance within program and specific class objectives. Credit awarded for participation in Study Travel courses is based on the same standards required for on campus courses.

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