



UNL's General Education Program

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Education Abroad Experience for ACE 9 Information

ACE 9 outcome: Exhibit global awareness or knowledge of human diversity through analysis of an issue.

If a student participates in a UNL approved education abroad experience, they are eligible to apply that education abroad experience to the ACE 9 outcome completion, with the approved form available in Canvas. **UNL approved education abroad programs can incorporate Faculty-Led, Exchange, Affiliated, or Unlisted programs that students have pre-approved before departure. Please see the UNL Education Abroad office website (<http://educationabroad.unl.edu>) for the current list of UNL approved education abroad programs.**

To receive ACE 9 outcome completion waiver for the international experience, the student must earn at least 3 academic credits abroad and upon return to UNL, complete a paper or pre-approved project reflecting on a global issue he/she encountered on this experience. **A waiver of ACE 9 is given, no additional credit hours are granted for ACE 9.** The co-curricular education abroad experience, as described in this document, then meets the spirit of the outcome and upholds the integrity of the ACE program.

The use of education abroad to complete the ACE 9 outcome is a special case of the Co-Curricular Experience. According to the ACE Governing Documents (ACE Governing Documents 4: Governance & Assessment, page 3), a Co-Curricular Experience can be used only one time to complete an ACE outcome. **Therefore, a student can complete either the Co-Curricular Experience or the Education Abroad experience for completion of one ACE outcome, but not both.**

Requirements:

- The student must enroll in a credit-bearing, UNL approved education abroad program. A minimum of 3 credit hours must be completed during the education abroad experience and transferred back to UNL. Students must also enroll in the zero credit-hour UGEP 250 course appropriate to their home college.
- ACE 9 outcome completion is to be granted for the analysis of an issue related to the education abroad experience rather than for a specific course. No additional credit is given for completion of ACE 9. Courses completed during the education abroad experience can be used to fulfill other ACE outcomes if the course has been ACE-certified or has an ACE-certified transfer equivalent. Please talk with your adviser about appropriate transfer education abroad courses for other ACE outcomes.
- The student must attend the pre-international experience orientation session offered by the Education Abroad office or the faculty leader for the program. Prior to departure, the student must submit an approved ACE 9 Waiver Proposal Form (UGEP 250: Assignment 1 in Canvas).
- By the end of the semester in which the education abroad experience is completed, the student must submit an essay or other pre-approved project on their chosen global issue (UGEP 250: Assignment 2 in Canvas).

Suggestions for writing the global issue paper:

1. The student should reflect on **just one specific issue**, rather than several issues.
2. The issue does not necessarily have to be something the student *personally* encountered or that personally affected the student's daily life abroad. It could be something that the student observed, discussed, read about, etc. If the student does choose to address a personal issue, the student should **connect it to a larger issue affecting the citizens of the host country**.
3. Colleges may require additional work or documentation to complete the request. Students should check with their home college for additional guidelines.