

3341-3-68 Non-degree-seeking students under eighteen years of age requesting to enroll in an Education Abroad Program.

Applicability	Education Abroad Program
Responsible Unit	International Programs and Partnerships
Policy Administrator	Education Abroad Coordinator

(A) Policy Statement and Purpose

Traveling on education abroad programs involves risks not found when studying on the Bowling Green State University campus. These include, but are not limited to, risks involved in travelling to and within, and returning from, one or more foreign countries; foreign, political, legal, social and economic conditions and potential unrest; different standards of design, safety and maintenance of buildings, public places and conveyances; local medical and weather conditions; local road conditions, dietary and food differences and availability; and other matters. To address the additional considerations involved when the traveler is a minor, BGSU has the following policy for non-degree-seeking students under the age of eighteen.

(B) Policy Scope

This policy applies to any non-degree-seeking student who wishes to participate in any credit-bearing BGSU program that involves travel outside the United States and who is under the age of eighteen when program-related travel commences.

(C) Policy Definitions

- (1) A “non-degree-seeking student” is any person who has not been admitted to a degree program at BGSU but who wishes to take one or more undergraduate BGSU classes.

- (2) A “credit-bearing BGSU education abroad program” is any credit-bearing program coordinated or led by a BGSU instructor that involves travel outside the United States.

(D) Policy

A non-degree-seeking student within the scope of this policy who wishes to participate in any credit-bearing BGSU education abroad program must meet the following requirements in addition to the generally-applicable program requirements:

- (1) The student, together with their parent(s) or legal guardian(s), must meet with the Education Abroad coordinator to discuss the risks involved in travel and education abroad.
- (2) The parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must designate an adult who will accompany the student throughout the program and must pay all costs for that designated adult. A BGSU instructor who is leading or coordinating the program may not be the designated adult.
- (3) The student’s parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must read and sign a consent, medical authorization, and release agreement form provided by BGSU.

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