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***Disclaimer:*** This version of the “Red Book” was redrafted during the transition from the old to the new curriculum, and at a moment when several new programs had recently been added to AEA's offerings. As a result, we expect that we will be making adjustments to this manual as we learn from both of these processes. Thus, more than ever, this manual is only a starting point. It is your responsibility to discuss your goals with your academic and co-op advisers and AEA staff. Doing so will ensure that your planning is based on the most recent information.

# I. THE BASICS: FITTING STUDY ABROAD INTO YOUR ANTIOCH EDUCATION

If you are just beginning to consider studying abroad, this section is designed for you. It answers basic questions usually posed to AEA staff members.

## **A. ELIGIBILITY**

**You are eligible to apply for a semester study abroad program if you meet the criteria listed below:**

- (1) At the beginning of your proposed study abroad term, you must have completed at least two academic terms at Antioch College and received credit for one Antioch co-op term. You are not eligible to study abroad during your final study term.
- (2) Your proposed study abroad program can be integrated into your curriculum and is reflected in your degree plan.
- (3) You have completed the prerequisites for the program you have chosen.
- (4) You are in good academic and community standing.
- (5) Your student account and other financial responsibilities are up-to-date and clear.

If you have a “*hold*” on your student account or financial aid, please read the information below:

- “Student Accounts Hold”: you owe a prior balance that must be resolved before you can be approved for study abroad.
- “Financial Aid Hold”: you must submit and/or sign your financial aid paperwork before you can be approved for study abroad.
- **IMPORTANT NOTE:** These ‘*holds*’ will remain on the your student account record until they are released by the Antioch College Business Office or the Financial Aid Office. These are the only offices that can clear the “*hold*.”

**You are eligible to apply for a summer language intensive program (SLIP) if you:**

- (1) Have successfully completed your first semester as an entering first-year or transfer student.
- (2) Have received credit for a language course at Antioch in the language you intend to the study abroad AND you are enrolled in the second semester course in that language, OR you can demonstrate equivalent proficiency through testing.
- (3) Are in good academic and community standing.
- (4) Your student account and other financial responsibilities are up-to-date and clear. (See (5) above for details).

## **B. PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS**

### **1. Students in the New Curriculum**

Students in the new curriculum need to plan carefully, starting in the first semester of the first year, in order to be eligible for the full range of opportunities abroad. Students under the new curriculum must follow their assigned study/co-op sequence closely.

The following table outlines when students under the new curriculum are eligible to study abroad, and which programs can be done during a fall or spring semester.

	<b>Fall</b>	<b>Spring</b>	<b>Summer</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> year</b>	NO	NO	SLIP
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> year</b>	Co-op	Europe in Transition 2. Antioch in Germany	Co-op
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> year</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&lt; Buddhist Studies India/Japan</li> <li>&lt; Mali Art &amp; Culture</li> <li>&lt; Women's Studies Europe</li> <li>&lt; Brazilian Ecosystems</li> <li>&lt; Border Studies</li> <li>&lt; NY Arts</li> <li>&lt; Newberry Library</li> <li>&lt; Ryukoku Univ.</li> <li>&lt; UDLA Puebla</li> <li>&lt; Wooster in Besançon</li> </ul>	III. Europe in Transition 1. Antioch in Germany  <i>(Must petition for sequence change: co-op fall, study spring)</i>	Summer of Choice (can include SLIP)
<b>4<sup>th</sup> year</b>	Only on an exceptional basis, requires AEA and in some cases APRC approval.	NO	

This does not reduce opportunities to study abroad under the new curriculum (and new opportunities are available), but it does require longer-range planning than has often been the case under the old curriculum. Students under the new curriculum are *strongly encouraged* to plan to study abroad in the spring of their second or third year, or in the fall of their third year. Exceptions will only be made for academically justified reasons. Petitions based on a failure to apply on time are unlikely to be approved.

Potential exceptions that would receive careful consideration include the following:

- I applied to go abroad in the fall of my third year and was not accepted but encouraged to reapply. (Most likely in the Buddhist Studies in India program)
- I want to do a direct enrollment program with limited opportunities to take courses in English. I will be a stronger candidate if I can take another term of language study before this program.

## 2. Students in the Old Curriculum

See the eligibility requirements under (A) above.

### C. NOTE TO TRANSFER STUDENTS

Transfer students need to be sure they meet Antioch's residency requirements which includes:

- Earning at least half of your credits from courses at Antioch
- AND
- Completing at least 32 academic semester credits on campus at Antioch (at 16 credits/term for 2 terms) and one Antioch credited co-op.

If you are a first or second-year transfer, you should still have time to study abroad and meet these residency requirements. Third-year transfers may need to spend additional time meeting residency requirements if you choose to study abroad. Be sure to speak with your Academic Advisor and the Antioch Registrar's Office about this issue.

During the AEA application process, transfer students must also request a transcript directly from the college(s) or university/ies they have previously attended. The Antioch Registrar cannot issue an official copy of transcripts from other schools in support of your application.

## **D. RESTRICTIONS ON OFF-CAMPUS STUDY**

- ⟨ Students must obtain their academic and co-op advisors' approval for their applications; the advising process should address how the program will contribute to the student's Individually Guided Major.
- ⟨ All programs must be pre-approved by AEA in order for any financial aid to be applicable towards the program and in order for credits to be applied toward your Antioch degree.
- ⟨ Antioch financial aid can only be applied towards AEA programs or AEA-affiliated programs, and can only be used for one semester off-campus. Federal aid can be used for any off-campus program that AEA approves in advance and for more than one semester.
- ⟨ All students must complete at least 50% of academic credits at the Yellow Springs campus. All students must complete two study terms and one Antioch-credited co-op before beginning an AEA program; however, applications submitted before these requirements are fulfilled will be accepted and evaluated based on progress to date and current standing.
- ⟨ Students are not allowed to study off-campus during their final term.

## **E. OFF-CAMPUS STUDY AND PROGRESS TOWARDS GRADUATION**

Our application process is designed to ensure that you select a program that will allow you to proceed toward graduation at the same rate as if you had studied on campus. A study term off-campus, whether domestic or abroad, should be

N.B: This is based on the assumption that you will study abroad for one semester and one summer. Additional semesters will require particular care to ensure that you will make normal progress towards graduation.

Transfer students must pay particular attention to residency as well as credit requirements (see section I.C. above).

## **F. CROSS-CULTURAL EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENT**

Successful completion of a cross-cultural experience is a requirement for graduation from Antioch. Students may satisfy this requirement through successful completion of either a study abroad program or a cross-cultural co-op. Details on meeting this requirement are covered in detail in Appendix A.

# **II. SUMMER AND SEMESTER PROGRAMS**

## **A. Summer Language Intensive Study (SLIP) (4 weeks)**

SLIPs are available in each of the four “core languages” (German, Spanish, Japanese and French) that are taught on campus. Please see details in Appendix D.

**Eligibility:** You are eligible to participate in a SLIP in the summer of your 1<sup>st</sup> year or during your Summer of Choice (3<sup>rd</sup> year). For incoming students, the summer of your 1<sup>st</sup> year is the most logical time to take advantage of these programs, and it is expected that you will build on your acquired language skills in later coursework, co-ops, and/or study abroad. If you intend to apply for a semester program with a language prerequisite in your third year, you are *strongly encouraged* to apply for a SLIP in your 1<sup>st</sup> summer.

**Application Process:** Once AEA has approved your application, you are cleared to apply directly to the language institute. In some cases, the application process is online. If it is a paper-based application, submit your application to AEA and we will send it with a letter of introduction from the AEA Director.

**Financial Support for SLIP participation:** Students who meet AEA requirements are eligible for \$1200 of financial support (see conditions below) to help defray the costs of a Summer Language Intensive Program.

**Requirements for the SLIP financial support:**

In addition to the standard application requirements for AEA programs, applicants for the SLIP subsidy are required to have studied the target language at Antioch for at least two semesters, and you must have passed your first term of language study and be making good progress in your second term (instructor confirmation required). If you have studied the language outside of Antioch and believe that you may have language skills equal to or greater than that achieved through four credits of language study at Antioch, you can ask to be tested by the following language faculty:

Spanish:	Jocelyn Hardman
Japanese:	Haruna Tomaru
French:	Ivan Dihoff
German:	Katharina Buchter

*Please pick up a language evaluation form from AEA before scheduling an appointment with these faculty members.*

If you do not meet this requirement but are still interested in participating in a SLIP, please contact AEA. You will not be eligible for the language subsidy, but AEA can assist you in applying for an appropriate program. However, we strongly encourage you to study language on-campus before enrolling in an intensive language course abroad, since you are more likely to make significant progress abroad after acquiring foundational skills in the classroom. Furthermore, you must apply through AEA in order to ensure that credits earned abroad will transfer back to your Antioch degree.

*What's the catch?* This financial support is structured as a conditional loan. If you are approved by AEA to participate, you will need to file paperwork to receive your this financial support. This will include a form stating that you agree to the conditions that must be fulfilled in order for the loan to be converted into a subsidy. In order for this to happen, you must remain enrolled at Antioch through the fall semester of your third year. If you withdraw before then, Antioch will place a financial hold on your student account until the loan is repaid, which would also place a hold on transcript release services until your student account is cleared.

In other words, if you don't intend to stay at Antioch, you should not view this as a stipend, and treating it as a loan could create serious obstacles to continuing your education elsewhere (or getting a job) if you can't pay it back right away.

***Please note!***

**(1)** The Summer Language Intensive Programs are not operated by AEA. Each program decides admission on a space-available basis. Therefore, it is very important to apply as early as possible. The internal SLIP deadline is set early (January 15<sup>th</sup>) in order to maximize the probability that applicants will be admitted, but there are no guarantees. AEA will assist you in finding an appropriate alternative program if you are rejected, but you will only receive priority for assistance if you make the January 15<sup>th</sup> internal deadline.

\*N.B: The Yamasa Institute is extremely selective, particularly with native-English speaker applicants. You should apply as early as possible in order to maximize your chance of being admitted (well before AEA's deadline if possible). If you apply early and are denied admission, we will work with you to find an alternative program, but no guarantees can be made for this or other programs. Alternative programs are likely to be more expensive (this institute is subsidized) and most programs fill up quickly.

(2) The cost of each program is set by the program provider and varies from program to program. The \$1200 subsidy is designed to offset the expense of tuition, room and board at the SLIP institutions, but will not cover 100% of these expenses. Please see the table above, which summarizes key facts about each program. Please see each program's website for the most current information and further details.

(3) Some programs offer longer programs than four weeks, and you may decide to take advantage of this option. However, you should be aware that this will not change the amount of your subsidy. Furthermore, if you are a transfer student, or if you have already earned most or all of your elective credits (with AP or IB credits, or if you have advanced class standing), you may not be able to apply more than 4 credits toward your degree. Please consult with your advisor and the registrar if this might apply to you.

## **B. UNDERSTANDING THE VARIETY OF SEMESTER PROGRAMS**

You have the opportunity to live and study in another country, so...what country interests you the most? What language? Most importantly, what are your academic and personal needs? Do you want to "rough it" or stay within your comfort zone? Is the opportunity to travel during the program important, or would you prefer to immerse yourself in a specific community? The choice is yours. Consult with your advisors, read AEA materials, talk to your family, and think about what you hope to learn by studying abroad. Speaking with program alumni can help you decide which program best meets your needs. AEA staff can help you through this process.

### **Key Differences Among Semester Study Abroad Programs**

No study abroad program is appropriate for everyone, and you should carefully consider how various programs are able to help you meet your goals. You should consider how important the following factors are to you when selecting a program:

- < Language and cultural immersion
- < Opportunity to study a particular field or issue in depth
- < Location(s)

The first factor is obviously location, but the more important distinction here is the total number of locations and countries. Some programs are designed to facilitate an immersion into a single culture, or to expose you to multiple aspects of a shared culture. Others (including Women's Studies and Europe in Transition) travel to several countries in order to provide maximum opportunities for comparative field research. Even programs that remain in one country usually include extensive field trips (Mali), and some travel quite extensively within the host country (Brazilian Ecosystems program) or provide opportunities for independent research in a new location determined by each student together with the Program Director (Buddhist Studies in India and Japan). Broadly speaking, a program that travels less will provide more opportunities for immersion into a specific community and for language learning, whereas programs that travel more can provide greater opportunities for wide-ranging field study and research. Most programs are designed to achieve both goals, but all will emphasize one or the other.

Furthermore, the *structure* of the program is an essential consideration.

**Faculty-led** programs are taught by English-speaking faculty and generally have low or no language prerequisites, although most single-country faculty-led programs require language study during the program. Antioch's programs in Mali, Brazil, India, Japan, and Europe (Women's Studies and Europe in Transition) are faculty-led. There are no language prerequisites for these programs, but the programs in Mali and Japan offer intermediate as well as introductory language courses, and language courses are required in the India and Brazil programs as well. The Women's Studies in Europe and Europe in Transition program do not include language study in their curricula. See individual program descriptions for other prerequisites for these programs, which ensure that all students have a foundation in the program's area of substantive focus.

**Direct enrollment** programs facilitate your enrollment as a non-degree seeking student at a university abroad, usually with access to special support services and intensive language instruction for foreigners. Increasingly, direct enrollment programs are adapting their offerings to improve accessibility for foreigners whose language skills are better in English than in the host country language. The Wooster in Besançon program and the Antioch at Ryukoku program both provide substantial support to foreign students. The Antioch in Germany program and the Antioch at UDLA Puebla program both provide a moderate amount of support, but students should be prepared to take most or all of their classes in German/Spanish. Antioch's program in Germany also provides intensive language training before the semester begins.

To be accepted into a direct enrollment program, you should be at an intermediate level or higher and be seeking a high level of language proficiency. You will be expected to demonstrate adequate language skills as part of the application process. If you are interested in a direct enrollment program, you should plan ahead by taking classes in the relevant language throughout your first and second years. You should also seriously consider enrolling in a summer SLIP in that language. It is very important that you discuss your plans with your Academic Advisor so that the program you choose fits with your degree plan. Regardless of which program you choose (AEA or otherwise), **you must process your application through AEA.** If you are applying to a non-Antioch program, AEA will submit your complete application to the AEA Director for review. If your application receives the Director's approval, AEA will submit your application directly to the sponsoring institution. Give us a call or stop by so we can help you start the process.

**Crediting:** On AEA programs and pre-approved programs (those offered by Antioch's consortium partners and the Summer Language Intensive Programs), Antioch students earn regular Antioch credit and are not required to obtain prior approval for transfer of credits. For other study abroad and off-campus programs, students need to apply for and receive pre-approval for transfer of credits. See Section III.A.1 for details on the application procedure for independent programs.

## **C. Types of Off-Campus Semester Programs**

There are several ways to study off-campus and receive academic credit. You should select a program that will allow you to make normal progress towards your major. The application process is designed to ensure that you apply for a program that is appropriate for your program of study:

### **1. AEA (ANTIOCH EDUCATION ABROAD) PROGRAMS**

These programs are offered by Antioch Education Abroad and are automatically approved for credit transfer and for financial aid transfer of federal, state, and the Antioch Tuition Grant. The application process is designed to ensure that the program you select will complement your program of study. See **Appendix D** for descriptions of each program. Please note that the list in the Appendix is more comprehensive than the AEA website, which only features programs offered both to Antioch and non-Antioch students.

	<b>Faculty-Led</b>	<b>Direct Enrollment</b>
<b>Fall</b>	Brazilian Ecosystems Art and Culture in Mali Women’s Studies in Europe Buddhist Studies in India Buddhist Studies in Japan	Antioch in Germany Antioch at Ryukoku University (Japan)* Antioch at UDLA Puebla (Mexico)*
<b>Spring</b>	Europe in Transition	Antioch in Germany

\*These programs are offered through a collaboration with these partner institutions.

## 2. CONSORTIA/AFFILIATED PROGRAMS

These programs are offered by schools that Antioch has a consortial relationship with and are pre-approved by Antioch. Accepted participants will be able to transfer all credits earned on these program back to Antioch. All ATG funding as well as federal and state aid can be applied to these programs. You must apply to these programs through AEA. For a listing of consortium/affiliated programs and deadlines, refer to *Appendix D*.

(a) **GLCA and ACM** (Great Lakes Colleges Association and Associated Colleges of the Midwest):

- Japan (Waseda University-full year), Earlham College
- Border Studies Program (University of El Paso -fall term), Earlham College
- Wooster in Besançon (Université de Franche-Comté), College of Wooster
- Newberry Seminar (Newberry Library, Chicago – fall term), ACM
- Oak Ridge Science Semester (Oak Ridge National Laboratory, TN), Denison University

(b) **Semester at an ECO LEAGUE Member Institution**

See program description in Appendix D.

## 3. INDEPENDENT OFF-CAMPUS PROGRAMS

This includes domestic and abroad programs sponsored by other U.S. universities/colleges or a foreign university/academic institutions which have not been pre-approved by AEA. You may use federal and state aid for independent programs, but Antioch financial aid (aka “Antioch Tuition Grant” cannot be applied towards independent programs).

You must apply to independent off-campus programs through AEA, and the AEA Director will review your petition to study abroad independently based on 1) your academic and personal preparation, 2) the appropriateness of the program for your degree plan, and 3) the academic quality of the program. Also, programs that are located (partly or entirely) in a country under a U.S. State Department Travel Warning will not be approved. See Section III.A.1.c for details on application procedures.

- You may be permitted to apply to an “independent or off-campus domestic” program if you can demonstrate that the program meets your academic objectives and that these cannot be met by an AEA, GLCA, or Consortia Program. AEA approval will enable you to transfer the credits you earn on the independent program towards your Antioch degree.
- You must apply for independent off-campus programs through AEA. You will also need to simultaneously apply for an academic leave of absence through AEA. If you fail to obtain AEA approval and an academic leave of absence, you risk losing eligibility for state and/or federal financial aid for a semester or more, and you risk being unable to transfer your credits back to Antioch.

## **D. INTERNATIONAL CO-OP**

If you want to familiarize yourself with another culture, experience everyday life of another society and practice a second language, then co-op is another option. Co-op opportunities abroad are appropriate to achieve these objectives and are sufficient to satisfy the cross-cultural requirement of your curriculum. Although you are limited to one semester of study abroad (with financial aid), you can co-op abroad *in addition to* studying abroad. A study semester abroad is often the best preparation for a co-op term abroad the following semester. Many Antioch students choose this option and in some cases our contacts in host countries can assist you in finding a co-op opportunity; however, this is not a regular feature of their responsibilities and you should not rely primarily on AEA program staff for placement support. Discuss the prospect of a co-op abroad with Eric Miller from the Co-op Department, who is in charge of international co-ops. A Co-op position can be a paid position, an unpaid position, a volunteer position or an independent project which demonstrates that you have learned from some non-work situation (language learning, home-stays, purposeful travel, etc.) It is your responsibility to obtain the necessary work permit. Please note that in some countries, payment “in kind” (such as room and board) or even unpaid positions may also require a work permit. All co-op credit is processed through the Co-op Office. You will need to discuss arrangements for documenting your work over co-op and obtaining credit.

**You should let AEA know about your plans to co-op abroad well in advance. If you will need to change your travel arrangements, the extra cost of any changes will be your responsibility. You should work directly with the travel agent to make changes to your travel itinerary.**

## **E. FINANCING AN OFF-CAMPUS STUDY SEMESTER**

Consult with the Financial Aid Office very early in the application process to discuss the transfer of your financial aid package to a study abroad program. Despite what many people think, studying abroad does not have to be more expensive than studying on campus. Usually the program cost covers at least some of your transportation fees, and room and board. You have to figure out your own personal spending habits and budget accordingly. Check with each program for more details.

If you choose an AEA or an approved GLCA or ACM program, your financial aid package will be applied to the program cost. Most, if not all, costs will be covered, although some programs do not include airfare. If you choose an “independent” program, only your federal and state aid may be transferable. You will be responsible for ensuring that payments to the “independent” program are made on time.

**Contact the financial aid office to inquire about your financial aid package. An Antioch student wishing to do more than one semester of off-campus study will not be able to apply Antioch institutional financial aid to the cost of the second semester.**

# **III. THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR SEMESTER PROGRAMS**

Begin **at least** six to nine months in advance of the program's deadline date. A carefully considered academic experience takes time to prepare. You will also avoid rushing yourself, faculty, and staff who need to take care of recommendations, transcript requests, co-op planning, financial aid arrangements, application processing....In other words--the earlier, the better!

An application file will be started as soon as you have completed and turned in your yellow application form. It is the responsibility of the student to ensure that the appropriate forms are received by AEA before the application deadline.

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## **A. APPLICATION PROCEDURES FOR ALL OFF-CAMPUS SEMESTER PROGRAMS**

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For *all* off-campus study programs (AEA, consortium/affiliated, or independent; domestic or abroad), the application process must be made directly through the Antioch Education Abroad Office.

### **1. AEA PROGRAMS**

The Director of AEA approves an applicant for participation in an AEA program. Acceptance to a program is based on demonstrated merit, good academic and community standing, and space available on the program. In approving the application, the Director of AEA will seek additional information from the Dean of Students, the Director of Cooperative Education, as well as approval from the Program Director. After receiving the acceptance letter, the student should confirm participation by signing the (i) Financial Agreement, (ii) Conditions for Participation, and (iii) Health & Safety Measures forms. A \$200 non-refundable deposit is required. The balance of the program fees will be charged to your Antioch College Student Account.

### **2. CONSORTIA (AFFILIATED) PROGRAMS (GLCA, ACM, Eco League)**

For programs administered by Antioch consortium partners that have been approved by AEA for Antioch College students, the Director will review the entire application and make a recommendation. AEA will forward your complete application materials to the (GLCA/Independent) program officials for consideration.

The sponsoring institutions of Antioch-approved consortium programs will send acceptance packets to the student. A billing statement will be forwarded from your GLCA program to the Antioch College Business Office, which will pay these programs directly and charge the total program fee to your student account. (*Special arrangements must be made for full year programs; Antioch College will only provide institutional aid for one semester.*)

All non-AEA programs, both consortium and independent, set their own admission requirements (residency, prerequisites, etc.) Because of our institutional membership, your campus-based financial aid can be applied to one of these programs in addition to your federal aid.

#### Please remember to:

- Follow the off-campus study abroad approval procedure (refer to the *Application Process* chapter)
- Submit your application for non-Antioch programs earlier than the actual program deadline because *the application will require internal approval first.*
- Complete the regular Antioch application forms in addition to the program application forms.
- Apply to the program **through AEA**; do not apply directly to the non-Antioch program.
- The AEA Director (Andrzej Bloch) will review your complete application. If approved, your application will be sent directly to the sponsoring institution for their review. Just because you apply to a program that is sponsored by the GLCA Programs does not mean that you will automatically be approved to participate.

**(a) Special Provisions for ECO LEAGUE PROGRAMS**

Sophomore or junior status is required. You continue to pay full-time tuition to Antioch College while attending a study term at one of the participating Eco League colleges. You are required to pay all room and board charges as well as all lab fees **directly** to the host institution. If you are eligible for financial aid, Antioch College will forward a check to you in care of the host institution to pay the requisite portion of room and board. If you choose to live off campus, these funds will be disbursed to you by the host institution. Any additional fees not covered by financial aid as well as all travel expenses are your responsibility.

You are to contact the particular Eco League institution you are interested in for an application packet. The Eco League application materials, along with the AEA application materials, are to be submitted to AEA. You are **NOT** to submit any application materials directly to the EcoLeague School you have selected. Tom Ayrsman, the Eco League & Faculty Liaison, must approve your acceptance. If your plans are approved, AEA will forward your Eco League application to the specific Eco League institution for consideration. Once the AEA Office receives documentation from the host institution of your acceptance, a formal acceptance letter will be forwarded to you from the AEA Director. This letter will specify the conditions and process for transferring credit from the program. It will be your responsibility to provide AEA with all of the documentation necessary for transfer of credit upon completion of the program. *Students participating in an Eco League program may not receive credit from his/her Academic Advisor for independent research.*

**3. Off-Campus Study with Independent Programs (i.e. Academic Leave of Absence)**

***IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT APPLYING FOR OFF CAMPUS STUDY with an independent program.*** Applicants are not permitted to apply directly to the proposed program and then request “permission” after the fact (your financial aid, if applicable, will not be approved, and your credits will not transfer back to your Antioch transcript).

To petition for an **academic leave of absence** you must submit the appropriate documentation for the term and complete the AEA application process as described in the section for independent study. This ‘academic leave’ application must be completed one semester prior to the proposed “leave.”

If your plans are approved, AEA will forward your complete application materials to the independent or domestic program officials for consideration. Once you or the AEA Office receives documentation from the program of your acceptance into their program, a formal acceptance letter will be forwarded to you from the Director of AEA. This letter will specify the conditions and process for transferring credit from the program. It will be your responsibility to provide AEA with all of the documentation necessary for transfer of credit upon completion of the program. *Students participating in an independent or domestic program may not receive credit for independent research.*

**The AEA administrative fee to process an academic leave of absence to participate in an independent off-campus (domestic or abroad) is \$1600 per term.**

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## **B. REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR EVERY APPLICATION (AEA, AFFILIATED/CONSORTIUM PROGRAMS/INDEPENDENT PROGRAMS)**

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### **a. Complete the AEA Application Form**

#### **b. Goals Statement**

Study abroad programs are unique educational opportunities that need to be carefully incorporated into your program at Antioch. Therefore, thorough discussions of your plans with your Academic and Co-op Advisors is the first step of the application process. As an outcome of these discussions, you should be able to clearly articulate not only the reasons why you want to participate in this particular program, but also the unique contributions this program will make to your education. You should also describe what academic preparations you have already completed or plan to complete in the near future. The specific guidelines for the Goal Statement are provided in the application packet. Be sure to read the instructions carefully. (If you are applying to the Women's Studies program, please note that you must also complete the WS Questionnaire. In addition, you must complete a questionnaire and submit work samples for the Art & Culture in Mali program).

#### **c. Letter of Recommendation from Academic Advisor**

This letter should be an outcome of the advising process described above (#2). It should present your Advisor's perspective on how your plans will be incorporated into your curriculum. The Advisor should also comment on your academic and personal preparation for the program. Please use the Academic Advisor Recommendation form included in the application packet.

#### **d. Letter of Recommendation from a Faculty Member, preferably a Program Advisor/Campus Representative**

When applying to any AEA program, you should discuss your plans with a faculty member who knows you and is familiar with your academic work and/or co-op experiences. S/he should advise if you are sufficiently prepared to participate in the proposed program, on how the program will help you meet your learning objectives and what preparation needs to happen before you leave for the program. It would be beneficial if the faculty member is very familiar with your program of interest. S/he will be able to advise you on specific steps in preparation for the program. Please see the program description in Appendix B; if the program has a faculty liaison on campus, s/he will be listed there. For non-Antioch programs, you should identify a faculty member who is familiar with the program and will be able to advise you. Each of the GLCA and consortia programs has campus representatives; please refer to the college catalog. AEA staff can assist you in finding this information.

One reference/recommendation per faculty member is allowed for each student.

#### **e. Degree Plan**

According to the Academic Policy of the College, students with less than third-year standing should articulate their plans to incorporate their study abroad plans into their curriculum in the goals statement essay. *If you will achieve third year standing during your study abroad term, you will need to declare your major and submit a degree plan to the Antioch College Registrar's Office prior to departure.* In this degree plan, you (a) list courses already completed and courses in progress, (b) plan the distribution of the courses you will take during the study abroad term, and (c) choose courses you will take upon returning to campus. Consult with your Academic Advisor when formulating your degree plan. Before submitting the degree plan to the College Registrar's Office, it must have both the Academic and Co-op Advisors signatures. Please ask the Registrar's Office to send AEA a copy.

**f. Registrar’s Recommendation Form (Change of Sequence Petition)**

Your sequence will need to be changed even if your present sequence shows a study term. The Antioch College Registrar’s Office records the AEA terms as follows: Brazil (1), Buddhist Studies in India (2), Europe in Transition (4), Germany (5), Women’s Studies (7), Buddhist Studies in Japan (11), Mali, Africa (13), Academic domestic program (AC), Independent abroad program (E), GLCA/ACM program (G) or Eco League (C). **You MUST obtain signatures of both your Academic & Co-op Advisors before submitting this form to the Registrar.**

**g. Student Accounts Approval Form**

The Business Office must notify AEA of your current student account status. Your application will not be processed for acceptance until AEA has received confirmation that you have no financial holds.

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**C. ADDITIONAL STEPS**

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**1. CONTACT ANTIOCH COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE**

**Confirm your financial aid arrangements with the Financial Aid Office.**

Prior to your departure you must submit all necessary forms to the Financial Aid Office. You should meet with the Financial Aid Office early in the planning process to identify the necessary steps.

**2. PE CREDIT**

In general, you should not count on being able to obtain PE credits while abroad. Plan to take these credits on campus whenever possible.

In order to receive PE credit during an AEA program that is led by Antioch faculty, you must complete an independent syllabus form for 1 PE credit. This form must be approved and signed by both the PE faculty and the AEA office. This must be submitted and completed **one semester before** the AEA term. The Brazilian Ecosystems, Europe in Transition and the Women’s Studies in Europe programs have given PE credit for urban hiking in the past. The Program Director always has discretion to decide if earning PE credit is feasible during the program. You should determine this *before* the program begins.

**3. DIRECT ENROLLMENT PROGRAMS**

On direct enrollment programs offered by AEA (Ryukoku University, UDLA Puebla, Antioch in Germany), students must obtain documentation of successful course participation, including a course description and the number of hours. If this documentation cannot be included directly on the transcript issued by the university, it is the student’s responsibility to obtain separate documentation, including the name of the instructor, the course title and a course description, the total number of hours in the course, and an evaluation of your class performance.

## **IV. GETTING CREDIT**

**A. Academic credits completed while on AEA programs and consortia/affiliated**

**programs** will be transferred to your Antioch academic record in the Registrar's Office upon receipt of evaluations and/or transcript from the Program Director. If an incomplete is given, you must complete the work by the sixth week of the first study semester on campus. An incomplete automatically becomes a "no credit" after the sixth week. Under special circumstances you may petition for an extension.

## **B. Getting credit for a “direct enrollment” program (AEA, consortium, or independent)**

Credits are a uniquely American phenomenon and, as such, often do not exist at foreign universities. Classes are often offered without required written work or examinations. If you participate in the Antioch in Germany program, the Resident Program Director will help you plan to earn appropriate credits to meet your needs, and will submit documentation of your work that will qualify to transfer to Antioch. If you are directly enrolled in a university with no Resident Director employed directly by Antioch (this is the case with Antioch's programs at UDLA Puebla and Ryukoku University), you will need to be sure to take examinations, or get other "evidence" of successful performance, even if this is not required for other students in the course. You will be responsible for making sure that this documentation arrives at Antioch in a timely fashion.

For independent programs with non-accredited foreign universities, refer to the section on Independent Programs under section III/C/3 above.

## **C. Getting Credit on Independent Programs**

First, you can only transfer credits towards your Antioch degree earned on a program that was pre-approved. Applicants are not permitted to apply directly to the proposed program and then request “permission” after the fact (your financial aid, if applicable, will not be approved, and your credits will not transfer back to your Antioch transcript). If AEA approves your application for program approval, you will be granted an academic leave of absence.

To petition for an **academic leave of absence**, you must submit the appropriate documentation for the term and complete the AEA application process as described in the section for independent study. This ‘academic leave’ application must be completed one semester prior to the proposed “leave.”

If your plans are approved, AEA will forward your complete application materials to the independent or domestic program officials for consideration. Once you or AEA receives documentation from the program of your acceptance into their program, a formal acceptance letter will be forwarded to you from the Director of AEA. This letter will specify the conditions and process for transferring credit from the program. It will be your responsibility to provide AEA with all of the documentation necessary for transfer of credit upon completion of the program. *Students participating in an independent or domestic program may not receive credit for independent research.*

**The AEA administrative fee for an independent off-campus (domestic or abroad) program or a semester academic leave is \$1600 per term.**

Upon completion of an independent study abroad program, the student must submit the documentation of the experience to the Academic Advisor and AEA Director for evaluation. After consultation, AEA will be responsible for submitting documentation to the Antioch College Registrar’s Office for crediting.

# V. LOGISTICS

These following address answers some common concerns that students have regarding the basics of travel to foreign countries.

## A. PASSPORT

YES, you need a passport. This is your responsibility. Apply right away in order to give yourself plenty of leeway. It can take anywhere from six weeks to three months from the time you submit your application to the time you receive your passport. (If you already have a passport, make sure that it does not expire before your return to the U.S.)

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### How to obtain a U.S. passport

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If you do not yet have a passport, please check <https://travel.state.gov/passport/passport-1738.html> for the most recent information. The following is only a preliminary guide and does not substitute for careful consultation of official instructions for the passport application process. You need to have:

1) An official **birth certificate** with the raised or colored seal from the County in which you were born. The cute little hospital certificate with your footprint will not do. One usually gets the certificate from the County Department of Vital Statistics. The fee will vary by state, but will probably cost between \$7 and \$10. It may take several weeks unless you (or a parent) can pick it up in person.

If you have had a passport issued after turning 16, you do not need this birth certificate to get a new passport. Your expired passport can be used as alternate proof of citizenship. If you are a naturalized citizen, have derivative citizenship, or are otherwise entitled to a U.S. passport, gather all the documentation that gives you proof of that status.

2) Two (identical) **photographs**. Vending machines and other instant photos will not stand the heat processing necessary for passport procedures and are not acceptable. Most commercial photographers know all the requirements and all you need to do is ask for "passport photos."

3) The passport fee is \$55. The Security Surcharge is \$12. The total fee is \$67-- made payable to the "U.S. Department of State" and an additional fee of \$30 execution fee to the facility where you are applying. The execution fee is waived for passport renewals.

For first passports, take your documents and money to the nearest County Clerk's Office. If you have had a previous passport go to the same office to get the application form, but mail it yourself to the nearest appropriate passport office with your documentation.

If you are absolutely desperate, you can also hand carry your application materials to a passport office. They are located in Boston, Chicago, Honolulu, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle, Washington DC, Charleston, the Connecticut Passport Agency, the US Dept of State and the National Passport Center. This involves extra fees and a certain amount of hassling, This is **not** recommended.

When your passport comes back to you, **SIGN IT**. Keep it with your important documents. **Do not** pack your passport with your luggage; you will need it before you can claim your bags. It is valid for ten years.

Every County Seat has a Passport Clerk, either in the County Clerk's Office or the Post Office, so you can apply anywhere in the U.S. Three local options include:

- **XENIA**  
Go to the Courthouse, County Clerk Office, Room #2 (562-5290) or Greene County Title Office, 601 Ledbetter Road (562-5055)
- **SPRINGFIELD**  
Go to the Post Office, 150 N Limestone Street (323-6496).

If you have an expired passport, mail it in directly with a completed renewal form. This form is available from the County Clerk.

A note on “Electronic Passports”: The U.S. began issuing passports with a “chip” that stores biometric data in August 2006. If you already have a passport without the chip, it will remain valid until its expiration date.

## **B. VISAS**

A visa is a stamp in your passport from a consulate of the country you wish to enter. For stays under three months in most of Europe, US citizens simply show their passport at the point of entry, and get the visa stamped there. For travel in parts of Africa, Asia, Eastern Europe, and Latin America, US citizens may need visas in advance. If you are going on an AEA program for which a visa is required, you will receive instructions about application procedures with your letter of acceptance. Please follow all instructions carefully and without delay; otherwise you may jeopardize your ability to participate in the program. For all non-AEA programs, the sponsoring institution should provide information on visa requirements and application procedures.

Some AEA programs require visas. AEA will notify you on how and when to submit your passport to our office for obtaining the visa. If you are planning to stay in a country to co-op after the program, you may require an extended visa. Speak to the appropriate embassy about how to handle your individual situation, and notify AEA when you submit your passport that you are planning an extended stay.

### **Passports and Visas: If you are not a U.S. citizen**

To obtain a passport, you will need to follow the regulations of your own country.

As for visas, you should check with the consulate(s) of the country or countries to which you will be traveling.

**If you are not a U.S. citizen, or if you have dual nationality, please inform AEA as soon as possible. You should also keep in mind that the program deadlines assume that you only have U.S. citizenship. If this is not the case, you will probably need to apply earlier than our deadline and inform our staff ASAP of your situation.** We will help with supporting documentation if necessary. This can require months of additional work, depending on your country of origin and country/ies of transit and destination.

## **C. CHEAP TRAVEL**

Some programs provide all or part of your transportation, while others require participants to purchase part or all of their transportation. Once you have accepted your spot to participate in an AEA program, you will receive an ISIC International Student Identity Card, sponsored by STA Travel. (AEA processes the student IDs in our office.) With this card, you can receive student rates on fares at your local or online travel agency. Student fares are often, but not always, the least expensive option. If the student rate is slightly higher, it may still be a better deal if you think you may want to change your return date. If you want to maintain this flexibility, be sure to compare the cost of changing flight dates as well as the “sticker price.”

The ISIC card also enables you to get student discount rates at certain hotels, museums, etc. when traveling. It also provides minimal medical insurance. (The purchase of additional medical insurance is required and is the responsibility of the participant).

## **VI. WHILE ABROAD**

### **A. Forfeitures/Refund Procedures**

#### **What if I want to leave the program once the program has begun?**

A student who wishes to leave a program should be aware of the financial responsibilities made to AEA. Each student is required to sign a financial agreement informing him/her of the withdrawal penalties. After the start of the program all program fees are forfeited and no refund will be issued.

### **B. Medical Emergencies**

If a medical emergency arises on an AEA program, the student is to inform the Program Director immediately. S/he will notify AEA. If an evacuation is necessary, arrangements will be handled by the Program Director and AEA staff.

On AEA programs where Host Institution personnel are primarily responsible for students, you should contact them first and follow the procedures they prescribe. On programs operated by institutions other than AEA, contact the Program Director immediately and follow their instructions.

### **C. Curriculum Changes**

#### **What should I do if I want to change my plans once the program has begun?**

Be sure to contact your Academic Advisor and/or Co-op Advisor and explore your options with them before making changes in your curriculum. Changes must fit into the degree plan you submitted with your AEA application..

### **D. Overseas Program Assistance**

#### **Who will be available to help me while I am overseas?**

If you are on an AEA program or another accredited American program, the Program Director can assist you. If you are on an independent program without a Program Director, or at a direct enrollment program at an Antioch partner institution that is operated by local staff, contact that program's sponsoring school or the local staff, respectively. If you are having difficulty reaching them, contact AEA. Be sure to find out the number of the U.S. Consulate in the host country, as it is a helpful source of information and can inform you about events as well as issues specific to U.S. citizens. It is highly recommended to take a credit card with you, and to purchase an international calling card right after you arrive. Put necessary contact information somewhere secure—preferably in more than one place. Don't rely exclusively on your email account or computer as storage for key contact information. You should always keep a hard copy of key contact information (family, AEA, U.S. consulate, local emergency numbers) in a secure location as well.

## VII. UPON YOUR RETURN

### **A. GETTING CREDITS PROCESSED**

It is very important for you to meet the deadlines of your specific program for completion of coursework as the first step in the crediting process.

Academic credits completed while on AEA programs and consortia programs will be transferred to your Antioch academic record in the Registrar's Office upon receipt of evaluations and/or a transcript from the Program Director. IF an incomplete is given, you must complete the work by the sixth week of the first study semester on campus. An incomplete automatically becomes a "no credit" after the sixth week. Under special circumstances you may petition for an extension.

For independent off-campus study and Eco League programs, your nomination letter from the AEA Director provides you with the specific guidelines for transfer of credit. Be sure to follow these carefully in order to get credit for your work. Documentation for credit *may* be an examination report, a tutor statement, or a certificate of successful completion. If possible, please obtain documentation in English. If documentation is not available in English, French, German, Spanish or Japanese, we may ask you to provide a translation. **All official transcripts should be sent directly from the institution or program officials to the AEA office.**

### **B. RE-ADJUSTING TO THE US; RE-ENTRY CONSIDERATIONS**

For most people, it is a little hard to return to the U.S. You may have problems knowing how to talk to people about your experiences in another culture. People may not know how to ask you questions. This is not unusual. Try to keep in mind that people who care about you will want to hear you talk, but you will need to go the extra mile to communicate with them.

You may also want to consider presenting your experience in an educational forum (in a class, at a information session for future program participants) or getting involved in a social or political group that pertains to the interests you developed while abroad. You could also take on more responsibilities in your home community: be a hall monitor or write for *The Record*, etc. Use your time abroad as a stepping stone to get more involved with the campus and/or your family; work hard to integrate your time away with the rest of your life.

## VIII. APPENDICES

### APPENDIX A: GUIDE TO FULFILLING THE CROSS-CULTURAL REQUIREMENT

#### **Definition of the Cross-Cultural Experience**

A planned and evaluated learning experience which places the learner in an environment where learning is accomplished through active interaction with the people, use of language, history and institutions of other cultures.

#### **Cross-Cultural Learning/Global Competence Learning Objectives**

- To enhance understanding of self in relation to one's culture and the culture of another; and to distinguish differences and similarities between them.

- To strengthen communications skills necessary for meaningful and productive human interaction in a cross-cultural environment (including linguistic ability, sensitivity to ritual and custom and knowledge of social patterns).
- To integrate and relate experience with another culture into one's (i) value system, and (ii) knowledge of the physical, social and cultural environment.

### **Preparation**

The cross-cultural experience should be planned as a part of the student's curriculum. Preparation should include the opportunity to investigate the concept of culture and the strength of its impact on people's personal habits, social behavior, beliefs, and value judgments. In preparing for the cross-cultural experience, students should develop skills and acquire knowledge necessary for making informed observations of cultural events and learn to communicate his/her own reflections on these events. This preparation may take place through Antioch's courses, seminars, workshops, and program orientations.

Students may also fulfill the cross-cultural requirement through an "own plans" experience. This may include study abroad programs offered by other colleges and universities; an independently arranged co-op; or travel and individual field study projects. For preparation and approval of an "own plans" experience the student should seek assistance from his/her Academic and Co-op Advisors. The student should prepare a detailed plan that fulfills the expectations outlined above. The plan should be submitted to and approved by the student's academic and co-op advisors.

Courses offered on campus should also be selected with the aim of preparing for study abroad and/or co-op in a cross-cultural setting. These courses are especially important for students who are preparing to complete this requirement through co-op jobs and self-designed "own plans." Coursework preparation should also include study of a language relevant to the planned experience. Students who plan to satisfy the cross-cultural experience requirement through a self-designed "own plans" experience must include a description of preparatory activities in the detailed plan of activities.

### **Crediting**

AEA programs are automatically cross-cultural experiences. AEA-affiliated programs abroad are also automatically cross-cultural experiences. AEA-affiliated or independent domestic programs may fulfill the cross-cultural requirement in exceptional cases when the student can provide strong documentation of cross-cultural learning on the program.

Approval of non-AEA programs for completion of the cross-cultural requirement is not guaranteed. The AEA Director is responsible for evaluating students who are completing their cross-cultural experience on a non-affiliated program. Co-op Advisors are responsible for evaluating students who are completing their cross-cultural experience on a co-op.

## APPENDIX B: FAQs

**Q:** *I see that AEA programs require prerequisite coursework. Can a Core class be used to fulfill this requirement?*

**A:** In general, AEA is open to considering credits earned in the Core curriculum. However, since these classes are new, they will have to be examined on a case-by-case basis.

We also strongly encourage students to take more than the minimum requirements in preparation for a program. Students should also consider relevant courses offered in the spring of their first and second years.

**Q:** *Am I guaranteed admission to an AEA program as an Antioch student?*

**A:** Admission is on a competitive basis for all students. However, part of our mission is also to facilitate off-campus study for all Antioch students. If you are not a competitive candidate for a particular program, we will

work with you to identify a program that will support your program of study. Start thinking early about which program you are interested in applying to, and talk with an AEA staff member and the Program Director about how competitive admissions are likely to be in your case.

**Q:** *If an program does not have as many applicants as it can accept, am I guaranteed admission?*

**A:** No. Admission to AEA programs is at the discretion of the Program Director and the Director of AEA. Students who do not meet the application requirements, or whose behavior on campus suggests that they could detract from the program's objectives, are not admitted.

**Q:** *Can I study abroad in my fourth year?*

**A:** Only under exceptional conditions and with the approval of AEA, which bases its decisions on input from your advisors and the Registrar. Simply having missed the deadline for a program in your second and third years is unlikely to warrant approval.

**Q:** *I'm applying to an outside program that's not affiliated with AEA. Can I just take a leave of absence and have my credits transferred in afterwards?*

**A:** No. Any academic leave of absence must be registered *in advance* through AEA. AEA will require a similar internal application process as for its other programs. Failure to obtain approval in advance will result in a loss of financial aid eligibility for that term, and your credits will not transfer back to Antioch if the program has not been approved as academically appropriate according to Antioch's standards and for your individual program of study.

**Q:** *I want to go on more than one study abroad program, or do a program for two consecutive semesters. What do I need to anticipate here?*

**A:** You can use your federal financial aid for more than one semester, but your Antioch institutional aid (aka the ATG or Antioch Tuition Grant) can only be applied towards a single semester. (The SLIP does not count towards this limit). If you are determined to do two programs, a full-year program, or a program that is not run by or affiliated with AEA, you should plan to apply for outside funding well in advance. Potential funding sources are listed in a PDF document on AEA's website (the link is available on this page: <http://www.antioch-college.edu/AEA/faq.html>). Most scholarships have much earlier deadlines than AEA.

**Q:** *What about scholarships for study abroad?*

**A:** If you apply for AEA programs or outside programs affiliated with AEA, your cost of attendance should be roughly equal to your cost of attendance on campus. Certain programs will require students to pay for a plane ticket and/or other incidental costs; please see each individual program for details.

If you want to attend a non-affiliated program and you receive a substantial financial aid award from Antioch, we encourage you to investigate various scholarship opportunities. A brochure is available on our website and in our office (<http://www.antioch-college.edu/AEA/faq.html>); please also stop by our office to discuss your plans.

Successfully applying for scholarships typically requires strong academic performance and faculty support, and foundations are more likely to fund participation in certain types of programs more than in others. The most important factor is a well-organized application strategy and early planning.

# APPENDIX C: PLANNING AND BUDGETING FOR A SLIP

	<b>Japanese</b>	<b>German</b>	<b>Spanish</b>	<b>French</b>
<b>Course start dates (courses run ca. 4 weeks)</b>	May 11th, 25th, June 8th, 22nd, July 6th, 20th	May 2 <sup>nd</sup> , May 23 <sup>rd</sup> , June 6 <sup>th</sup> , June 20 <sup>th</sup> , July 4 <sup>th</sup> , July 18th	May 7-June 1, June 4-June 29, July 2-27, July 30-Aug 24	May 2 – June 1, June 4 – 29, July 9 – Aug 3
<b>Cost of tuition</b>	123,200 yen	1469 Euros (incl. host family lodging, half board during week, full board on weekends)	\$370 and up (US\$) \$504-\$604 (includes full board) (US\$)	690-760 Euros 588 Euros (includes breakfast and dinner)
<b>Cost of room and board (homestay prices listed)</b>	80,000 yen (includes breakfast and dinner during week)			
<b>Institute</b>	Yamasa Institute in Okazaki City, Japan	Hermann-Hesse Institute in Horb, Germany	Academia Hispano Americana in San Miguel de Allende, Mexico	Centre de Linguistique Appliquée in Besançon, France
	<a href="http://www.yamasa.org/acjs/english/programs/silac.html">http://www.yamasa.org/acjs/english/programs/silac.html</a>	<a href="http://www.hermann-hesse-kolleg.de/">http://www.hermann-hesse-kolleg.de/</a>	<a href="http://www.ahaspeakspanish.com">www.ahaspeakspanish.com</a>	<a href="http://cla.univ-fcomte.fr/adcuefe/">http://cla.univ-fcomte.fr/adcuefe/</a> (see AEA for assistance)

Early application will work in your favor when budgeting for this program. This is peak travel season and summer tickets purchased in the spring are usually much more expensive than those purchased in winter. AEA will issue you an ISIC card when you are admitted to the program, which will make you eligible for special student airfares. Student tickets are often (but not always) cheaper than the standard rates; you should also ask your travel agent (or read the fine print on the website) to determine what the fee is if you change your flight date. Student tickets are usually cheaper than regular discount tickets to change if necessary.

### **Budgeting for a Summer Language Intensive Program**

In addition to the “sticker price” of tuition, you will also need to consider the following expenses:

- Travel from the airport to your homestay (see AEA for an estimate)
- Meals not covered by the board
- Public transportation (homestay to language school, etc.)
- Entertainment (cafes, cultural events, etc.)
- Discretionary travel

# APPENDIX D : PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS

## AEA Programs

*For more detailed information, we have program booklets in the AEA office, and you can speak with Program Directors or Coordinators directly.*

### **ANTIOCH IN GERMANY** (*Full Year or Half Year Fall / Half Year Spring Option*)

This Antioch program is for students seeking independence, immersion and the opportunity to tailor aspects of a study abroad program to their own particular skills and interests. The goal of the program is to encourage maximum integration into German culture, while supporting the needs of American students abroad. Antioch students spend one semester to one full year in a combination of intensive language study, orientation program, and full enrollment in regular courses at Eberhard-Karls Universität in Tübingen, Germany. Students have the opportunity to improve language skills before enrolling. Language of instruction is German; intermediate level German is required. Internships and volunteer activities can be arranged.

Please note that if you opt for the full year, your financial aid will only apply in full towards the first semester. (See *Financing Study Abroad* for details). If you want to do a single semester, please pay close attention to the program dates. (The German university academic calendar is not identical to Antioch's and participation requires advance planning with AEA and your co-op advisor in order to avoid scheduling conflicts with preceding and subsequent co-ops). Please see section IV.B for information on obtaining credit.

In order to meet the language prerequisite for this program, you should plan early (starting in your 1<sup>st</sup> semester) with AEA and seriously consider taking advantage of the SLIP option in Germany.

Program Contact: Leslie King

Program deadline: March 1 (Fall/full year)  
October 1 (Spring)

### **BRAZILIAN ECOSYSTEMS: The Protection and Management of Diversity** (*Fall Term*)

This program is based in the southern Brazilian state of Paraná. You will begin this program with an orientation and intensive Portuguese classes in Key Largo, Florida. Once in Brazil, you will study Portuguese and Brazilian ecology and culture. The group will travel to the Amazon, the Atlantic Coastal Rain Forest, sub-tropical forests, temperate Araucária forests, estuaries and marine environments to gain in-depth understanding of the country's rich variety of ecosystems. As a participant, you will have the opportunity to work independently with Brazilian researchers on ecology projects. There are also homestays in Curitiba to give you the opportunity to meet and socialize with southern Brazilians.

Faculty Contact: Suzanne Kolb

Program deadline: March 1

### **BUDDHIST STUDIES IN INDIA PROGRAM** (*Fall Term*)

Living and studying in this international pilgrimage center provides an opportunity to examine Buddhism and its impact on several Asian cultures. During the first ten weeks, students choose from classes including: History, Philosophy, Anthropology, Meditation Traditions, Hindi and Tibetan. The last four weeks of the program are devoted to an independent research project, which, for many students, means travel and field research elsewhere in India or in nearby countries.

AEA Contact: Robert Pryor

Program deadline: March 1

### **BUDDHIST STUDIES PROGRAM IN JAPAN** (*Fall Term*)

Study and experience Zen, Pure Land, and Shingon Buddhist traditions in Kyoto, a sacred pilgrimage site for Buddhists from all over Japan. Classes include: Philosophy & Development of Buddhism, Japanese Buddhist Culture, Japanese Language, Practice & Theory of Buddhism in Japan, and Field Research: Selected Topics.

AEA Contact: Brian Victoria

Program deadline: March 1

### **ART AND CULTURE IN MALI PROGRAM** *(Fall Term)*

A positive yet realistic immersion in and exposure to the culture and art of Mali. Students will have the unique opportunity to become familiar with traditional and modern Malian life, and to apprentice with a local artist in accordance with their own particular goals and interests.

AEA Contact: Kim Sims

Program deadline: March 1

### **COMPARATIVE WOMEN'S STUDIES IN EUROPE** *(Fall Term)*

This program offers a unique opportunity to study the women's movement in four European countries. Students examine women's history, current political movements, cultural expectations and the social structures that support them. Issues of health care, children and family, employment and education are just some of the topics covered during this term abroad. The program consists of lectures, site visits and extensive comparative research in Poland, the Netherlands, Germany and England. This field research provides the basis for students' individual research projects, which are presented during the final research period in London.

AEA Contact: Iveta Jusová

Program deadline: March 1

### **EUROPE IN TRANSITION: INTEGRATION & POST-INDUSTRIAL CHANGE** *(Spring Term)*

Study the emerging features of the new European Society, including new institutions of the European Union, the transformation of national economies and the welfare state, challenges to ecological sustainability, crises of national identity, and ethnic and racial tensions. Short-term home stays in Berlin and Kraków.

AEA Contact: Leslie King

Program deadline: October 1

### **ANTIOCH AT RYUKOKU UNIVERSITY, KYOTO, JAPAN** *(Fall Term)*.

The following two-track program is held at Ryukoku University, which has three campuses near Kyoto. Ryukoku University was founded in 1639 as a training institute for Buddhist monks, and today offers a full liberal arts curriculum. Students should consult with the Japanese faculty on campus and AEA to determine which program is most appropriate based on their level of proficiency. This program is available to students in the fall of their third year. Students interested in this program should seriously consider participating in a Summer Language Intensive Program in Japanese in the summer of their first year. (Ryukoku's academic calendar is not identical to Antioch's and participation requires advance planning with AEA and your co-op advisor in order to avoid scheduling conflicts). Please see section IV.B for information on obtaining credit.

#### **JAPANESE & ASIAN STUDIES PROGRAM**

Students with intermediate Japanese language skills are eligible to participate in this program at Ryukoku University through AEA. Students enroll in 12 credits of intensive Japanese and in two 2-credit courses taught in English.

#### **JAPANESE CULTURE & LANGUAGE PROGRAM**

Students with advanced Japanese language skills are eligible to participate in this program at Ryukoku University through AEA. Participants enroll in a combination of courses from the regular curriculum and in special courses for international students, including intensive Japanese and courses taught in English.

AEA Contact: Kim Sims

Program deadline: March 1

### **ANTIOCH AT THE UNIVERSIDAD DE LAS AMERICAS, PUEBLA, MEXICO** *(Fall Term)*

This program will allow Antioch students to earn Antioch credit for courses taken at our new partner institution in Mexico, the Universidad de las Américas Puebla (UDLA). Students with advanced intermediate and advanced Spanish language skills are eligible to apply. In addition to intensive Spanish courses, some content courses are offered in English. However, applicants should be prepared to take most of their classes in Spanish. Students may also participate in the community-service/internship program offered through UDLA Puebla. This optional experiential component is not structured to meet the Co-op Department's requirement of full-time work but can provide a meaningful complement to your academic studies if your schedule permits. This

program is available to students in the fall of their third year. Students interested in this program should seriously consider participating in a Summer Language Intensive Program in Spanish in the summer of their first year. (UDLA Puebla's academic calendar is not identical to Antioch's and participation requires advance planning with AEA and your co-op advisor in order to avoid scheduling conflicts with preceding and subsequent co-ops). Please see section IV.B for information on obtaining credit. Homestay and dormitory options are available.

AEA Contact: Kim Sims

Program deadline: March 1

### **SUMMER LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAM (SLIP) – 4 Weeks (Summer)**

For details on individual programs, see *Appendix C*. This four-week immersion opportunity allows students with a foundation in one of the four languages taught at Antioch (German, Spanish, Japanese or French) to make accelerated progress towards proficiency. When available, students live with host families, and all programs feature several hours of language instruction per day and excursions to maximize immersion in the host culture. Successful completion of program requirements will be recognized by Antioch College as four language credits, and will allow students to test into higher-level language courses when returning to campus. Students who meet this requirement apply through AEA and are eligible to receive funding to help defray the tuition expenses of the program. (Financial aid cannot be applied towards the 4 week programs). *This is particularly recommended for students interested in a direct enrollment program in Germany, Japan, Mexico and France. Students are encouraged to participate in the summer of their first year, although some students may be able to justify participation in the summer of their third year.*

## **AEA-APPROVED CONSORTIUM PROGRAMS FOR OFF-CAMPUS STUDY (GLCA/ACM/ECO LEAGUE)**

### **GLCA JAPAN STUDY (Fall Term)**

Students attend the fall (mid-Sept.-early Feb.) semester at the School of International Liberal Studies of Waseda University in Tokyo, Japan. The program begins with a ten-day orientation in the outskirts of Tokyo. During the academic year students live with Japanese families and take intensive Japanese and choose from among over 13 Japan-related courses in the humanities, arts and social sciences taught in English.

Program deadline: January 15

### **GLCA BORDER STUDIES PROGRAM (Fall Term)**

The GLCA Border Studies Program is devoted to exploring the cross-boundary relationships which shape the identity of the borderlands of Mexico/United States (Texas). Participants live with Spanish-speaking families, engage in a supervised field study or independent project, and enroll in classes. Students must have 3 semesters of college-level Spanish or the equivalent by the beginning of the program.

Program contact: Kim Sims

Program deadline: February 1

### **WOOSTER IN BESANÇON PROGRAM (Fall Term)**

*N.B: This program is currently offered exclusively to College of Wooster students and may be available to GLCA students as early as Fall 2007. If this program is not available to Antioch students by the time you intend to apply, we will work with you to identify a similar program.*

*Intensive French Program:* Students participate in a series of four month-long courses and receive 16 language credits. The courses in Besançon are all offered by the CLA, which is a department of the Université de Franche-Comté that specializes in modern languages and offers a range of programs for students of French as a second language. Homestays organized are available on a first-come, first-serve basis and students have access to a wide range of cultural activities and excursions organized by the local university's foreign language center. Please see section IV.B for information on obtaining credit.

A strong commitment to French language acquisition is expected of applicants to this program. Interested students should seriously consider enrolling in a summer French SLIP, which is also offered through the CLA.  
Program contact: Kim Sims Program deadline: March 1

**GLCA NEW YORK ARTS PROGRAM** (*Fall or Spring-study term only*)

Provides advanced experience and knowledge in highly focused arts areas (primarily through apprenticeships). This program is designed for students who are seriously interested in the performing, visual and media arts. Further details are available at <http://www.newyorkartsprogram.org/>.

Faculty contact: David LaPalombara Program deadline: Fall: March 1  
Spring: October 1

**ACM OAK RIDGE SCIENCE SEMESTER** (*Fall-study term only*)

This fall program provides science students with the opportunity to join a research group at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory in Tennessee, and are assigned a mentor from the research group. Students participate in a required interdisciplinary seminar and in optional advanced coursework in addition to full-time work in their respective research groups. Chances of admission increase for students who can demonstrate that their academic interests are closely aligned with the research agenda of one of the ORNL's research groups. Further program details are available at <http://www.acm.edu/oakridge/index.html> and at <http://www.orss.denison.edu/>.

Faculty contact: Chuck Taylor Program deadline: February 1

**ACM NEWBERRY LIBRARY** (*Fall Term*)

This program offers undergraduates the unique opportunity to participate as Fellows in a semester-long graduate-level seminar at the Newberry Library. Students have full access to the Newberry's collections for their independent research project, and the seminar will support this research through a set of directed readings and discussions around a theme that rotates annually. Applicants should propose a research project that can be supported by the Newberry's collection. Please see the program website <http://www.acm.edu/newberry/fallsem.html>) for more details.

Faculty Contact: TBA Program deadline: March 1

**ECO LEAGUE** (*Fall or Spring Term*)

Antioch College is part of the Eco League consortium, together with Alaska Pacific University, College of the Atlantic (Maine), Green Mountain College (Vermont), Northland College (Wisconsin), and Prescott College (Arizona). These colleges offer innovative models of environmental learning, and allow their students to enroll for a semester at another member college of the consortium. You must follow the same procedures for an 'independent' program. Final approval to participate in this domestic study term will be decided by AEA and Tom Ayrsman, Associate Professor of Botany and Environmental Science at Antioch College; the Eco League & Faculty Liaison. It is possible to do 2 non-consecutive terms, but Antioch financial aid is not available for the 2<sup>nd</sup> term.

Faculty contact: Tom Ayrsman Program deadline: February 1 (fall)  
October 1 (spring)

## KEEP IN MIND...

Students are eligible to study off-campus after two academic terms and one co-op. Transfer students should check with their advisers about residency requirements and transfer of credits before planning to study abroad.

Your campus-based financial aid may be applied to one AEA or one pre-approved GLCA, ACM, or Eco League program. Financial aid from Antioch College funds (ATG) will not be applicable to a second semester of these programs. You must apply and confirm your grants and scholarships through the Antioch College Financial Aid Office. Don't be intimidated by what might seem to be the overwhelming or expensive aspects of these programs! They are easier to manage and finance than you would expect. Just start early (a year or two in advance is not unreasonable). Studying abroad requires a little extra effort to organize, but ask students who have gone.... it's worth it!

### DEADLINES

#### **Antioch Programs Operated by AEA:**

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| • Brazilian Ecosystems                | March 1   |
| • Buddhist Studies in India           | March 1   |
| • Buddhist Studies in Japan           | March 1   |
| • Art & Culture in Mali               | March 1   |
| • Europe in Transition                | October 1 |
| • Antioch in Germany (Fall/Full year) | March 1   |
| • Antioch in Germany (Spring)         | October 1 |
| • Women's Studies in Europe           | March 1   |

#### **Antioch Partnership Programs Operated by Partner Universities Abroad:**

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| • Ryukoku University | March 1 |
| • UDLA Puebla        | March 1 |

#### **Antioch Affiliated/Consortium Programs:**

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| • Wooster in Besançon        | March 1                              |
| • NY Arts                    | March 1 (fall) or October 1 (spring) |
| • Newberry Library           | March 1                              |
| • Oak Ridge Science Semester | March 1                              |

#### **Eco League Programs:**

February 1 (fall) or October 1 (spring)

#### **SLIP Programs:**

January 15