

Engineers Abroad

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When & why did you decide to Study Abroad?

"I always knew that I wanted to study abroad, to travel & see other parts of the world. I even lived in the study abroad themed hall my first year. I had also heard that studying abroad is one of the best experiences that you can get out of college! So I went the summer after my freshman year."



Dublin, Ireland

What location & program did you choose? & Why?

One of my friends had told me about a program offered during summer that would allow me to complete my physics requirements during the summer in either England, Scotland or Ireland. I ended up choosing Ireland because it looked like such a beautiful country that I wasn't sure I would have another opportunity to visit!"

Did you receive any credit towards your major?
Yes! I received credit for Physics 7C/7LC & Physics 7D/7LD, both requirements for my major."



Dublin, Ireland



Was it difficult to study abroad as an engineering student?

"In my program I was sadly the only engineering student, but I was able to meet a lot of amazing people from different majors. Some days it was difficult to be in class or labs when I wanted to be exploring Dublin or other parts of Ireland but it was worth it."

Were you able to visit other cities outside of Dublin?

"Yes, I was able to go to London twice & Paris! It only took about 30 minutes by plane to get to London so I travelled there with some students from other UC schools. In London I got to do some of the super touristy things like visit Big Ben, see the Tower of London & enjoy some afternoon tea! In Paris I visited the Eiffel Tower, ate croissants by the Seine River & spent nearly a whole day at the Louvre Museum. There were so many things to do which made me wish I could have stayed longer."

Would you recommend studying abroad to other engineering students?

Yes! Studying abroad in Ireland is definitely something I am going to remember for the rest of my life. I loved living in Dublin & experiencing firsthand the Irish culture. I could've never imagined how unique, friendly & beautiful the country was. Also, it was amazing to work with professors & students in labs & on projects in another country! I believe that it is very important for engineers to go abroad & learn in other countries because the world is becoming more & more interconnected.



Big Ben, London, England

What advice would you give to engineering students who are considering studying abroad?

"My advice would be to try it! I have never met anyone who's regretted studying abroad. It is definitely an irreplaceable experience. I would also say to start applying early! Most programs require that you apply 6 or more months ahead so it is important to start planning early, getting courses approved."



Louvre Pyramid, Paris, France



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