Center for Global Engagement

- Study off campus (international and domestic)
- TCNJ faculty-led programs
- Global student teaching

The TCNJ Center for Global Engagement offers qualified students the opportunity to study at educational institutions abroad and on campuses in the United States, its territories, and in Canada. TCNJ students can study for an academic year, a semester, or the summer. Teacher education candidates can meet part of their student teaching requirements abroad through the Global Student Teaching program. With careful planning, students who study off-campus should expect to make normal progress toward graduation.

All programs offered by TCNJ are pre-approved by the faculty, and credits are transferable and applicable to specific degree requirements. Declared students from all majors are encouraged to apply. Instruction is in English at many participating institutions abroad. TCNJ also encourages students to study languages in non-English-speaking countries. Language classes are offered at beginning, intermediate and advanced levels.

Study abroad applications should be submitted to the TCNJ Center for Global Engagement (Green Hall 111) by late February for the following summer, fall semester, or entire year; applications are due in late September for the following spring semester. National Student Exchange (NSE) applications are due in February of the year preceding participation. Global Student Teaching is primarily offered in the spring semester, and the application is due late February. Selection for off-campus study is competitive, and students are selected on the basis of their academic qualifications, references, and potential for success. Most TCNJ students, however, have been accepted by their preferred off-campus and study abroad programs.

Depending upon the program, students may be able to study off campus for approximately the same amount of money as it would cost to study at TCNJ. However, some international programs may cost more. All quoted program prices are approximate and subject to change each year. Most students receiving financial aid may apply those funds to their program costs, although there are some exceptions. Students planning to study off campus should anticipate paying for their travel, books, and personal spending money. In addition, students going abroad must pay for their passports, any required visas, and international insurance.

Contact the TCNJ Center for Global Engagement for more information.

TCNJ Faculty-led Programs Abroad

TCNJ faculty step outside the walls of the classroom and lead groups of students abroad to teach their courses in a variety of locations. Some courses are offered in the summer and last for a month. Other courses are taught on-campus with one or two weeks spent in another country as part of the course requirement. Students need to submit applications to the TCNJ Center for Global Engagement in the fall semester. Courses and locations will vary each year.

Programs Sponsored by The College of New Jersey

The College of New Jersey has established relationships with the institutions listed below for students to study abroad. Programs listed as “exchanges” allow students to pay their normal TCNJ tuition for the semester or year, use their entire financial aid and scholarship package, and study abroad, while “direct” program students pay only a program fee set by the host institution. Recently TCNJ has created several “study centers,” allowing students to use all financial aid and scholarship awards to pay for their study abroad experiences. Contact the TCNJ Center for Global Engagement for more information about each one.
Argentina
- University of San Andrés, Buenos Aires (exchange)

Australia
- La Trobe University, Melbourne (exchange)
- University of Newcastle (exchange)
- Victoria University, Melbourne (exchange)

Czech Republic
- University of Economics, Prague (direct)
- TCNJ Study Center – UPCES Prague

England
- Northumbria University, Newcastle (exchange)
- Oxford Study Abroad Program (direct)
- TCNJ Study Center – FIE London
- University of Nottingham (exchange)

Egypt
- American University of Cairo (direct)

France
- American Business School of Paris (direct)
- Université Blaise Pascal (exchange)

Germany
- Goethe Universität Frankfurt (exchange)
- TCNJ Study Center – ESC Heidelberg/SRH University Heidelberg

Ireland
- University of Limerick (exchange)

Israel
- Ben-Gurion University of the Negev (direct)

Italy
- TCNJ Study Center – Italy Center, Bologna
- Università per Stranieri di Siena (direct)

Japan
- GenkiJACS Language Institute, Fukuoka (direct)
- Kansai Gaidai University, Hirakata (Osaka) (exchange)
- KCP Language Institute (direct)

Spain
- TCNJ Study Center – Universidad de Alcalá de Henares)
International and Domestic Programs

- Universidad Europea Madrid (exchange) Tajikistan
  - Technological University of Tajikistan, Dushanbe (exchange)

Thailand
- Mahidol University, Bangkok (exchange)

Programs Offered Through Study Abroad Program Providers

The College of New Jersey offers international and domestic programs through the following partners: American Councils for International Education, Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE), CIS Abroad (CIS), GlobaLinks Learning Abroad, International Studies Abroad (ISA), Institute for Study Abroad-Butler University, National Student Exchange (NSE), School for International Training (SIT), The Washington Center (TWC), and the School for Field Studies (SFS). Consult the TCNJ Center for Global Engagement’s website for the countries available for study through these partners.

Global Student Teaching

Since 1978, the School of Education at The College of New Jersey has provided students in all teacher education programs the opportunity to student teach outside New Jersey and far from TCNJ in both distance and culture. Hundreds of student teachers have participated in this eight-week student-teaching program. At the midpoint of the global student teaching experience, students are observed in their classrooms. When students return from abroad, they are placed in a local school for the completion of their student teaching requirement. While program options vary from year to year, students have taught in such locations as Spain, Costa Rica, South Africa, Italy, Bolivia, Thailand, Botswana, Ireland, and The Gambia.

In order to participate, students must have fulfilled all requirements for teaching. In addition, candidates are selected on the basis of their academic qualifications, personal references from previous work-related experiences, and recommendations from junior practicum advisors. Faculty from the School of Education also conduct in-depth interviews with each applicant.

For further information regarding this program, students should contact the Global Student Teaching office in the School of Education (Education Building 108). Applications for the Global Student Teaching Program must be submitted in February, one year prior to student teaching. Living expenses vary from site to site and are subject to change each year. However, financial aid is available to students who wish to participate in this program.