2023-24 Off-Campus Study Financial Aid: Combination of Credits



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If you are interested in applying for financial aid for the time period in which you will be studying off-campus, and you are taking courses at a community/state college in conjunction with classes at UNW, please complete these steps to be considered for financial aid.

- 1. Complete the Free Application for **Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** at fafsa.ed.gov for the appropriate academic year. Be sure to include the University of Northwestern Code: 002371 at the end of the FAFSA.
- 2. Complete the appropriate **Off-Campus Studies Assistance form** (attached) or found on the Financial Aid Forms page at https://unwsp.edu/admissions/financial-aid/financial-aid-forms, which indicates your enrollment plans for each semester. Submit the form to the Financial Aid Office after you have received certification from the Registrar's Office.
- 3. Send the **Consortium Agreement form** (attached) or found on the Financial Aid Forms page at https://unwsp.edu/admissions/financial-aid/financial-aid-forms to the other institution to have them complete the "Host Institution Section." The other institution should send the completed form to the University of Northwestern Financial Aid Office.
- 4. Submit a copy of the bill/invoice from the community/state college to the Financial Aid Office.

Financial Aid/Payment Process for Off-Campus Study/Study Abroad

- 1. Students will need to complete all of the necessary registration and financial aid requirements at UNW.
- 2. Students who are taking courses at a community/state college in conjunction with credits at UNW will not be eligible for institutional aid for the off-campus credits. The off-campus credits may count toward federal and state aid eligibility credit requirements if the courses can be counted toward degree completion at Northwestern.
- 3. Any financial aid that the student receives will be applied to the student's UNW account and will first cover any charges that the student incurs from Northwestern.
- 4. If there is a surplus of funds after UNW expenses are paid, then UNW's Student Accounts Office will refund the student for the credit balance. The student can then use these funds to pay their expenses at the community/state college.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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