In accordance with California Education Code Section 72640, it is the policy of Cabrillo College to provide Study Travel Programs which shall include study travel/field study courses and semesters abroad. A study travel/field study course, usually short-term in length, is taught off-campus in order to present course content within a specific environment; a semester abroad program provides a full-term program of study offered at a site in a foreign country.

The college recognizes the movement of students across community, cultural, geographic, and national boundaries is an important and enriching element of post-secondary education and field study is a significant component of natural and social science curricula.

The purpose of Study Travel Programs is instruction which allows students to:

1. Develop international perspectives
2. Receive appropriate credit for courses meeting the same curriculum standards as courses conducted on campus
3. Experience and learn from a cross-cultural environment
4. Study course content within a biological, geographic, or cultural context

Study travel credit is awarded for educational achievement and performance within program objectives, not for visits and tourist activities. Credit awarded for participation in study travel courses is based on the same standards required for on campus courses.

Legal Reference: Education code Section 72640

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