

# Studying Psychology Off-Campus

Many opportunities exist for students who are interested in psychology to study in another part of the world. In addition to blocks which may be taught off-campus by CC professors during the year or in the summer, many options exist on other CC-approved semester and year-long programs around the world. Here are some of the options that you might consider; this list is not exhaustive. If you have questions about participating in one of these programs, please visit the website for CC's Office of International Programs ([www.coloradocollege.edu/international](http://www.coloradocollege.edu/international)), where you can learn **how to apply, a guide to credit transfer processes**, and also search the **course approval database** to see previous approvals from past semesters. For additional questions about credit transfer to the CC Psychology major or minor, or specific questions about academic planning and goals, check with your academic advisor.

## DIS Copenhagen or Stockholm: Psychology or Neuroscience

DIS offers two campuses, the flagship location in Copenhagen and a new campus in Stockholm—both allowing students to study psychological theory, research, and practice, with an emphasis on their application in a Danish/Swedish and European context. Both locations offer core courses in Psychology. In Copenhagen, students can choose from *Cyberpsychology*, *European Clinical Psychology*, or *Positive Psychology*; in Stockholm the tracks are *Forensic Psychology* or *Positive Psychology*. If you are studying Neuroscience, you may instead wish to take the Stockholm core course in *Affective Neuroscience: Emotions, Cognition, and Behavior*, or in Copenhagen choose from *Cognitive Neuroscience of Consciousness* or *Psychopharmacology: Substances and the Brain*. In addition to a required Danish or Swedish language & culture class, students round out their semester with a variety of elective courses, including many Psychology and Neuro-related electives. You can also enrich your academic experience by enrolling in a Psychology Practicum in Copenhagen, or participating in the Psychology Research Assistantship program in Stockholm.

## IFSA / University of Otago Partnership, New Zealand

The vice-chancellor of the University of Otago is a CC grad who majored in Psych, and who has returned to teach as a visiting professor at CC on her sabbatical. She's open to qualified CC students doing research with her while studying at the University of Otago. Dunedin is a classic university town known as the "Edinburgh of the South". The University of Otago is New Zealand's oldest university, a top-ranked research institution and the second southernmost university in the world. Quality academics, shared houses with Kiwi hosts, and amazing outdoor excursions are all part of what awaits you at Otago. Since you directly enroll in courses at the university alongside Kiwi peers, you can choose from a wide variety of courses. Most students take some sort of Māori Studies (language, music, dance, history) course as well as selecting from a range of disciplines, including Psychology and Neuroscience.

## CET Prague

Near the birthplace of Sigmund Freud, Prague is a city full of cobblestone streets, castles, and open-air markets, and is the historic location of countless political and intellectual movements—from the Reformation to the Velvet Revolution. In addition to taking a required Czech language course, there are several courses that may be of interest to Psych students, including "Cross-Cultural Psychology," "Prague, Vienna and Budapest: An Intellectual and Cultural History," "Social Psychology," and "Nationalism, Minorities, and Migrations in Europe." In addition, you may opt to take one of your courses direct-enroll alongside local Czech student at Charles University in areas like "Psychoanalysis and Cultural Studies" or "Introduction to Biopsychology" (depending on scheduling).

## SIT: School for International Training

All SIT programs explore critical global issues through an interdisciplinary lens, and all are approved by CC. They are thematic in nature, and all semesters end with a month-long independent study program or, in many cases, an internship placement option. See their website for details on these programs of interest to Psychology majors:

- **SIT Bolivia: Multiculturalism, Globalization, and Social Change** -- This program has a course titled "Vivir Bien: Well-Being and Resilience in Andean and Amazonian Communities" which is perfect for psychology majors.
- **SIT Jordan: Geopolitics, International Relations, and the Future of the Middle East** -- This program now offers a course titled "The Psychology of Peace"

## ACM Amsterdam: Sciences, Global Health, and Interdisciplinary Studies at VU Amsterdam (Fall only)

Study at a dynamic, international university that's paving the way for advancements in the sciences. In addition to the required Dutch Language & Culture course, students choose from any of the courses offered in English in the university's extensive curriculum, with many psych-related courses, including "Cognition and Emotion," "Genes, Brain, and Behavior," "Essentials of Media Psychology," and "Sensation and Perception." Students may also complete an independent research project with the ACM on-site faculty director.

## IFSA-Butler "Psychology in English" track in Buenos Aires, Argentina

The Psychology in English program offers psychology courses in English alongside Argentine students. Students choose from elective program courses designed and taught exclusively for IFSA-Butler students and specially selected courses with international students at the Universidad del Salvador (USAL). Take an IFSA-Butler course in Clinical, Multicultural, Social, or Industrial-Organizational Psychology, participate in an internship or service learning, and choose from a range of integrated courses (with local Argentinian students working on their English) at USAL, in Psychology and other Latin American Area Studies / history / literature / politics courses in English. All students will develop their Spanish language from a beginner to intermediate level through language classes.

### **IES Salamanca, Spain: Psychology Program**

Designed for Psychology majors or minors, the IES Salamanca Psychology Program is a collaboration between IES Abroad and the Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca, a prestigious university well known for its Psychology Studies. Courses will be taken at the IES Abroad Salamanca Center and Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca, and will be taught in English. You'll be able to practice your Spanish skills with a mandatory language course while in Salamanca. Students must have taken two semesters of college-level Spanish or the equivalent (i.e., place into 200-level Spanish courses / be through the beginner 100-level two-block series at CC). Choose between completing an optional Education Internship placement and seminar in English or Spanish in Spring semester, or a Service-learning placement and seminar in Spanish (for advanced Spanish students) in Fall.

### **Rothberg International School, Hebrew University Jerusalem**

Home to eight Nobel Prize laureates, Hebrew University has a tradition of excellence in the sciences that dates back to their founding—shaped by such luminaries as Albert Einstein and Sigmund Freud. Students at HebrewU's Rothberg International School (RIS) have access to a variety of specialized programs in STEM and psychology/neuroscience, including research opportunities at over 100 HebrewU research centers. Courses offered to undergrads include options like: "Trauma and Resilience: Theory and Practice from the Israeli Experience," "Evolutionary Psychology," "Issues in Cognitive Neurosciences," "Neuroeconomics: The Brain in Decision Making," and "Hostility and Recognition: Social-Psychological Dynamics of Intergroup Conflict."

### **University of Wales, Aberystwyth Exchange**

As a student at Aberystwyth, you will be living in a vibrant, bilingual, seaside university town, between the rolling Cambrian Mountains and the stunning coastline of Cardigan Bay. The Department of Psychology at Aberystwyth ranks 3rd in the UK with 96% student satisfaction, and is top in the UK for teaching quality and student experience for subject of Psychology. In addition to trying a beginner course to learn some of the unique Welsh language, you can enroll in "modules" (courses) across a broad range of Psychology-related areas, including: Psycholinguistics, Neuroscience, Drugs and Behavior, Psychology of Music, Gender and the Media, Psychology of Humor, and also courses in Cognitive, Abnormal, Forensic, Social, and Health Psychology.

### **Kansai Gaidai, Japan**

Established in 1972, the Asian Studies Program at Kansai Gaidai today annually welcomes over 600 competitively selected students who represent about 40 countries and regions. The program offers two courses of interest to Psych students: "Psychology of Emotions" and "Society, Health, & Wellbeing in Contemporary Japan." No previous Japanese language study required, and participation in this semester program will fulfill the CC Language Requirement if you take Japanese *and* the written Kanji course.

### **ACM Japan Study program, Waseda University**

Take classes in a range of subjects at one of Japan's elite universities. Waseda University's School of International Liberal Studies (SILS) offers classes in STEM fields, social sciences, humanities, and the arts. Dive deeper into Japanese and Asian studies or branch out into something entirely new. Classes are available in Cognitive Psychology, Biological Psychology, and a Seminar on Mind & Body. Two blocks of Japanese language study (or the equivalent) is required as a prerequisite; courses in English.

### **CIEE Ghana: Arts + Sciences**

Explore the ethnic and linguistic diversity of Ghana. You'll study in English in Legon, a suburb of the coastal capital of Accra (2+ million people), at the 7<sup>th</sup> best university in Africa, the University of Ghana—with its wide avenues and park-like feel with rows of mature trees. Learn about West Africa outside of class by living with a Ghanaian family or on-campus housing, volunteering, or interning. In addition to taking a required course in the Twi language, you can enroll in a wide variety of courses at the university alongside Ghanaian students. The Psychology Dept offers coursework in Political Psychology, Psycholinguistics, Psychology of Religion, all fascinating to study in the African context, as well as Cognition, Motivation and Emotion, Abnormal Psychology, & more.

### **CIEE South Africa: Arts + Sciences**

Near the southern-most tip of Africa, Cape Town is all about the wonders of nature – and the fallout of a complicated history that make this a society in transition. You'll study at the University of Cape Town (UCT). In addition to taking an African language course (many are offered: South Africa has eleven official languages!) or the popular CIEE Intercultural Communications and Leadership course, you can directly enroll in a broad range of UCT courses, alongside South African student peers. The undergraduate psychology program at UCT is internationally recognized. The available courses cover the department's four principal areas of expertise: Social psychology, Developmental psychology, Clinical psychology and Cognitive and Neuro-psychology. All courses are taught by internationally published and recognized experts in the relevant areas—details at <http://www.psychology.uct.ac.za/>

### **EuroScholars Research Semester**

A large variety of research projects are available to Psychology students, working in a lab with researchers at top universities in Sweden, The Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland, Finland, Belgium, and Italy. You can search the database of current projects and opportunities on the EuroScholars website. Recent placements have allowed collaboration on research on cognitive psychology and neuroscience, neuroimaging the impact of video games, the causes of forgetting, attention and perception, individual differences in learning and transfer, sleep and emotion regulation, and neurocognitive investigations of developmental disorders.

***For more information about any of these programs, or to explore other options, please visit [www.coloradocollege.edu/international](http://www.coloradocollege.edu/international)***