How to Use This Guide

Be proactive and start planning early! This guide contains information about the courses offered in the Stellenbosch, South Africa program. Students studying in South Africa have access to an array of courses at Stellenbosch University and will be taking courses with locals as well as other international students from around the globe.

This guide, along with your Academic Advising Report and the USAC catalog, provides the tools you need to plan and apply for a program. Involve your major/minor advisor as you choose a program and prepare for your time abroad so you do not prolong graduation. Course descriptions, photos, and more detailed descriptions of the program are available at usac.unr.edu.

Top Reasons to Study Abroad

You will:
• gain new life experiences
• become more independent and flexible
• explore a new culture and live like a local
• broaden your worldview and find new perspectives
• make lifelong friends from around the world
• find out what is beyond your borders

This academic experience will enable you to:
• earn Stellenbosch University credit
• learn a language
• fulfill major and minor requirements
• learn from foreign experts in your field
• supplement your major by selecting courses not offered on campus

What’s the Next Step?

1. Meet with a study abroad peer advisor in the USAC office
2. Meet with your major/minor advisor to go over your long-term plans and your goals for study abroad
3. Consult the USAC catalog or website as you research your program options
4. Complete your application by the deadline
5. Apply for or renew your passport
6. Attend information sessions and workshops on topics such as financial aid, visas, and other useful information (ask the USAC office for more information).
7. Start packing!
USAC students are required to take one course to become familiar with South Africa’s unique history and current social, cultural and political climate. Recent courses have included:
- Politics and Cultural Change in Contemporary South Africa
- Survey of African History

Languages
- Afrikaans
- Beginning French, German, Spanish
- isiXhosa: Language and Culture

Arts & Humanities
- Introduction to Jewelry Design
- Digital Photography and Picture Framing
- Political Science
- China-Africa Relations
- Public Theology
- The Role of Gender, Culture and State in South Africa
- Transitional Justice in Africa

Social Sciences
- Sociology: Politics and Cultural Change in Contemporary South Africa
- Economic and Developmental Problems in South Africa and Africa
- HIV and Aids: A South African Perspective
- Learning for Sustainable Community Engagement (LSCE)

Mainstream Courses
USAC students are able to enroll in any courses offered in the following Faculties (departments) at Stellenbosch University:
- Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
- Faculty of Science
- Faculty of Law
- Faculty of Agrisciences
- Faculty of Economic and Management Sciences
- Faculty of Education
- Faculty of Engineering

*Courses are subject to availability and approval of prerequisites, which are determined by Stellenbosch University.