

Application Process

North American Studies Consortium

Applications are being accepted for study abroad in Canada or Mexico at one of the four institutions now part of a new FIPSE-funded North American Studies Consortium. Joining BGSU as partner institutions are Mount Allison University and Wilfrid Laurier University in Canada, and the Universidad de Sonora and the Universidad Veracruzana in Mexico. The Consortium awards selected students a \$3000 stipend to help cover travel, room and board and other expenses; selected students will pay tuition and fees to their home institution.

To be eligible for the study-abroad opportunities listed above, students must meet the guidelines established by the Bowling Green State University NASC Selection Committee under the auspices of the Agreement between the partner institutions. These guidelines state that applicants must:

- Have a 3.0 cumulative gpa at the time of application as well as at the start of their semester abroad (*undergraduate students only*);
- Have a 3.5 cumulative gpa at the time of application as well as at the start of their semester abroad (*graduate students only*);
- Have completed at least one semester at BGSU prior to application to the North American Studies Consortium;
- Not be on disciplinary probation during the time abroad. Students with a record of disciplinary issues will be admitted at the discretion of the Selection Committee;
- Must take an exam in Spanish and demonstrate proficiency at level Four **only** if applying to Universidad Veracruzana in Mexico (<http://www.uv.mx/eee/index.asp>, click on Admissions, and follow instructions on item 2.);
- Be an undergraduate major or minor in the humanities or social sciences which specifically includes:
 - * American Culture Studies
 - * Africana Studies
 - * Art (B.A. or minor)
 - * Art History
 - * Asian Studies
 - * Canadian Studies
 - * Classical Studies
 - * Demographic Studies
 - * Economics
 - * English
 - * Environmental Health
 - * Environment Policy and Analysis
 - * Ethnic Studies
 - * Film
 - * Folklore and Folklife
 - * French
 - * Geography
 - * German
 - * History
 - * International Studies
 - * Interpersonal Communication
 - * Italian
 - * Journalism
 - * Latin
 - * Latino/a Studies
 - * Linguistics
 - * Music (B.A. or minor)
 - * Philosophy
 - * Political Science
 - * Popular Culture
 - * Psychology (B.A. or minor)
 - * Russian
 - * Scientific and Technical Communication
 - * Sociology
 - * Spanish (includes specialization in Latin American Culture Studies)
 - * Telecommunications
 - * Theater
 - * Women's Studies

- Or be enrolled in a graduate program in the humanities or social sciences which specifically includes:
 - * American Culture Studies
 - * Art History
 - * Communication Studies
 - * Cross Cultural & International Education
 - * Economics
 - * English
 - * French
 - * German
 - * History
 - * Philosophy
 - * Political Science
 - * Popular Culture
 - * Psychology
 - * Sociology
 - * Spanish
 - * Theater
- Must be willing to complete the following service requirements:
 - * Develop activities and host a North American Day at the host institution.
 - * Create a common on-line travel guide at the host institution about travel and campus life experiences to share with future exchange or mobility students.
 - * Discuss the program and experiences at BGSU recruitment activities for student organizations, residence halls, class lectures, etc. during and following study abroad.

Application Deadlines: April 6 for fall semester August 1 for spring semester

Submit the following materials to Nicole Anderson in the Center for International Programs (McDonald North, Suite 61):

- North American Studies Consortium Application
- Personal Statement explaining why the applicant would like to study abroad and how this program will fulfill personal and academic goals.
- Official results of Spanish proficiency exam
- An official BGSU transcript
- One letter of recommendation from a BGSU faculty member.

Selection will be based on the evaluation of credentials and an interview with the Selection Committee. The committee will nominate BGSU exchange participants to include one alternate per exchange program. The applications for the nominated students will be forwarded to the host institution for consideration. Once accepted, the host institution will then contact the applicant directly.

While students nominated by Bowling Green State University will normally be accepted, the host school makes the final decision.

In the event that a nominated student is not admitted to the host university, or a nominated student withdraws his/her application, the alternate student will have the opportunity to apply to the host institution provided the application deadline of the host institution has not passed.

For further information please contact Education Abroad in the Center for International Programs, McDonald North, Suite 61 at 419.372.0479, or edabroad@bgsu.edu or Dr. Federico Chalupa, 224 Shatzel at 419.372.7153, or fchalup@bgsu.edu.



Continuing & Extended Education

Date: _____

**North American Studies Consortium Application
2007-2008**

Name _____
Last First Middle

P# _____ E-mail _____

Telephone: _____ Gender: Male _____ Female _____

Undergraduate _____ Graduate _____ Cumulative GPA _____

College _____ Anticipated Graduation Date _____

Major _____

Minor _____

Anticipated Term Abroad:

- Fall 2007
- Spring 2008

Location of Program:

- Mount Allison University, Canada
- Universidad de Sonora, Mexico
- Universidad Veracruzana, Mexico

Please list the Spanish courses you will have completed by date of application:
(For Mexican universities only. Please attach separate sheet if necessary)

Title	Course Number
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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Letters of recommendation will be coming from the following individual:

Name	Department
1. _____	_____

Please attach a personal statement explaining why you would like to study abroad and how this program will fulfill your personal and academic goals.

Please return this form and supplemental application materials to Nicole Anderson, Center for International Programs, McDonald North Suite 61, by April 6 for the fall semester or August 1 for the spring semester.