We at Scholarships and Student Aid are so excited that you're planning to study abroad, and we understand you may have a lot of questions about the process. Check out the most frequently asked questions below for more information:

**FAQ's**

**How do I apply for additional funding through Scholarships & Student Aid for my study abroad program?** Submit the Financial Aid for Study Abroad Form by the deadline indicated.

**What kind of additional financial aid am I eligible to receive?** Typically, additional loan funding is available to help pay for more expensive programs. Some scholarships are awarded through the Study Abroad Office or other departments on campus.

**What if I am not currently receiving financial aid?** If you'd like to be considered for financial aid, submit the FAFSA and CSS Profile so that we can determine your aid eligibility.

**Are there any extra steps I need to complete if I'm borrowing loans for the first time?** Yes, you will need to accept the loan(s) through your Connect Carolina Student Center. Then, complete the Master Promissory Note and Loan Entrance Counseling in your To-Do List.

**What if I receive work-study as part of my financial aid? How can I receive that if I'm not on campus?** You may be eligible for additional loan funding to help replace your work-study award.

**What if my study abroad program is less expensive than a semester at UNC?** Your financial aid eligibility will be determined by your program costs, and will be adjusted accordingly. You may receive less financial aid as a result of lower program costs.

**If I'm eligible for a refund, how will I receive it from the University Cashier when I'm abroad?** Sign up for Direct Deposit through the Cashier’s Office. If your financial aid covers all charges and there is extra funding, it will be deposited into your bank account to use as needed while you're abroad.

**How do I know if I need a visa letter?** Ask your Study Abroad Advisor if your program requires a visa letter. If yes, email fa_studyabroad@unc.edu us to ask for one. We cannot complete this request until a Financial Aid for Study Abroad Form has been submitted.

**Who should I contact if I have more questions?** Please feel free reach out to our office! You can email us at fa_studyabroad@unc.edu or call 919.962.8396.