

Policy Regarding Physicals for Study Abroad

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to specify how the college will collect health information from students participating in Goucher-sponsored study abroad programs.

II. SCOPE

This policy applies to all students participating in Goucher-sponsored study abroad programs.

III. STATEMENT

Goucher College requires that all students attending Goucher-sponsored study abroad programs undergo a physical examination conducted by their health care provider(s) and submit a Goucher College health form completed by the provider(s) to the Office of Global Education. This ensures that the Office of Global Education is aware of any potential health problems that a student may experience while studying in another country and enables program sponsors to assist students in the event of a medical emergency abroad.

IV. PROCEDURES

- Forms for completing the physical examination requirement will be provided by the Office of Global Education to all study abroad participants after their application and acceptance to their chosen study abroad programs.
- For each study abroad program, the Office of Global Education will establish and clearly communicate the deadline for submitting all required medical information.
- Students who do not submit required medical information by the established deadline will be removed from their chosen program and will receive no refund of any program fees.
- Students are encouraged to complete the physical examination with their existing primary care provider. Students who wish to complete the examination at the Goucher College Student Health Center should schedule an appointment with sufficient time prior to the deadline established by the Office of Global Education, as appointments are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

V. RESPONSIBLE OFFICE

Questions about this policy should be addressed to Office of Global Education at globaleducation@goucher.edu.

VI. HISTORY

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