Academic Logistics: Tier 1 & Tier 2 Affiliated Programs
Tier 1 and Tier 2 Affiliated Programs both work the same way regarding coursework, credits, and grades. Students will receive Ithaca College credit for all courses taken abroad, including credit for internships and independent studies. Grades transfer back and will be factored into the student’s cumulative GPA.

Credits are guaranteed to automatically transfer back as non-designated elective credits as long as an official transcript has been received upon completion of the program. Students who need to fulfill specific degree requirements, including but not limited to major/minor coursework, ICC requirements, or liberal arts electives, must get courses approved after acceptance to a program using the study abroad course approval form.

Students who study abroad with a Tier 1 or Tier 2 Affiliated Program remain active Ithaca College students during their time abroad; no Leave of Absence is required.

Financial Logistics: Tier 1 & Tier 2 Affiliated Programs
Students should be able to apply some or most of their institutional, federal and/or state financial aid package to the total cost of a semester abroad, depending on the type of aid they are eligible to receive. Aid will be automatically posted to the student’s Ithaca College account.

Affiliated partners will bill students directly for housing, meals (if included in the program), and miscellaneous fees (e.g., flight, visa services, excursions, course materials, supplemental or upgraded housing and/or meal fees, etc.). Bills received from the affiliated program should be paid directly to the affiliate. All payments for charges appearing on the Ithaca College bill should be submitted to Ithaca College.

Tier 1 Affiliated Programs
Students studying on Tier 1 Affiliated programs will be billed by Ithaca College for the following charges:
- Ithaca College tuition
- International health insurance charges (as determined by the affiliated program; some programs do not have a separate insurance charge).

Tier 2 Affiliated Programs
Students studying on Tier 2 Affiliated programs will be billed by Ithaca College for the following:
- Ithaca College tuition
- International health insurance (as determined by the affiliated program; some programs do not have a separate insurance charge)
- Study abroad fee. This fee is different for every student and uses the student’s institutional aid and the affiliated program’s tuition to determine the billed amount. International Programs can work with students to help them determine the approximate study abroad fee for any given Tier 2 Affiliated Program.