

Study Abroad for DACA and Undocumented Students

St. Thomas remains committed to supporting undocumented students and students with undocumented family members, who may face unique challenges.

Review St Thomas and external resources on the Dean of Students page: Undocumented Student Resources.

We recognize the risk of international travel is very high for many students who have DACA status or are undocumented. Please reach out for information about other off campus learning opportunities that do not require travel outside of the U.S.

- Exploring options, risks, and working through applicable processes can take a substantial amount of time. Students with DACA status or who are undocumented should seek legal advice very early in the process of considering study abroad opportunities, and certainly before departing the U.S.
- If you are considering study abroad as a DACA or undocumented student, we encourage you to disclose this information to a study abroad advisor during an advising appointment.
- DACA students who wish to study abroad will need to obtain an advance parole document from USCIS which permits entry into the U.S. after a term abroad. However, it is important to note the advance parole document does not guarantee re-entry into the U.S.
- Visit uscis.gov for more information about travel as a DACA student.