

Independent Study, Internships, Study Abroad

Independent Study

Opportunities for independent work are available through all college departments. A student with the approval and consent of a faculty member may enroll for independent study provided that the following guidelines are observed.

Application forms, which describe the independent study project, are available from the Registrar's Office. The form must be completed and filed with the registrar prior to beginning the work.

1. All applications for independent study must be co-signed by the student, the student's advisor, the faculty member who will assign the final grade, and the appropriate department chairperson.
2. A student may not enroll for more than three credits of independent study in any one session without the permission of the Academic Council.
3. Independent study does not substitute for regularly scheduled course work.
4. A faculty member may refuse to supervise an independent study project only with the permission of the Vice President for Academic Affairs.
5. A faculty member may, at the beginning of an independent study project, require that the work be done on a Pass-Fail basis.

NOTE: Work done on a Pass-Fail basis will not count toward requirements for a major, minor, or general graduation. See Pass-Fail Option regulations.

6. Only work at the upper-division level fulfills the general graduation requirements for independent work.

Internships

Internships are planned, structured, supervised experiences that enable students to develop skills for organizing information and solving routine problems expected of professionals in a given discipline. Internships offer off-campus learning experiences that engage a student in the practical application of academic study. Communication, teamwork and leadership skills are tested and honed within an employment setting.

Some internships are already established; students design others. Internships are offered every term, including summer, and academic credit may be granted. Past students have interned with state and national government agencies, local hospitals, veterinarians, doctors, newspapers, television stations, high-tech and finance companies.

For policies, guidelines, information and application forms, access the internships link at <http://www.albertson.edu/academics/exlearning/internships.asp>

Study Abroad

International study for an academic year, semester or summer is strongly encouraged for all Albertson students. Any major—business, science, education, the arts and

humanities—is enriched by experiencing institutions and practices of another culture.

Broad trends around the world are bringing countries closer together—economically, culturally and on a people-to-people basis. The college can help provide for the educational needs of students who wish to have an active role in this increasingly interdependent world. If students want to combine scholarly achievement with personal growth and self-discovery in a creative and enjoyable environment, international study can become a part of the Albertson experience.

Many academically appropriate programs throughout the world are open to qualified students. The college provides an opportunity for the student - working with professors - to develop a coordinated program that includes study abroad, language learning and courses in an academic major. Albertson supports student candidates for Rotary, Marshall, Fulbright, and Rhodes scholarships as well as other awards for undergraduate and graduate studies abroad. Students should consult with the off-campus program coordinator to develop an individualized study abroad program.

For more information, visit the study abroad website link found under academics and student life at <http://www.albertson.edu/academics/exlearning/studyabroad.asp>.