Qualifying for the Program

1. Above average grades (rule of thumb: cumulative QPI of 2.8, with no Fs or Ws)
2. Any year level (provided that you will still be enrolled as an undergraduate in SY2017-2018)
3. No major disciplinary offense
4. Language proficiency (if applicable)

Apart from these qualifications, students undergo a screening process handled by the Office of the Dean of the School of Humanities.

How to Apply + Deadlines

1. Interested students can attend the Information Session and are encouraged to discuss this with their parents.
2. Download the Application Form and the list of other required documents from the SOH JTA webpage. Instructions for submission are also included in the downloadable files.
3. The deadline for applications is February 15, 2017.
4. Interviews and consultations will be conducted during the last two weeks of February 2017.
5. Decisions and destination universities will be released sometime between March and April 2017.

Program Types

- Ateneo Student Exchange Program (ASEP)
  Students pay the Ateneo ISEP Fee, roughly the equivalent of one semester’s tuition, before leaving for their destination university

- External Study Abroad Program (ESAP)
  You pay your tuition fees directly to the destination university; no tuition fees to pay to Ateneo de Manila

The majority of Summer Term Abroad (STA) options are ESAP, although limited slots are available for ASEP options at a handful of universities. Please refer to the STA list downloadable from the SOH JTA webpage, which will be available by the start of the Second Semester.

THE FAQS:

Are students who transferred to Ateneo and students who have previously cross-enrolled at other universities allowed to join the STA Program?

No more than one-third of the classes in a student’s IPS can be taken in another university and be validated as Ateneo subjects. Students who transferred to Ateneo in their freshman or sophomore year, and those who have previously cross-enrolled at other universities, are advised to compute whether they might exceed the maximum number of validated units if they participate in the STA Program. (Please see the Undergraduate Student Handbook)

Are OAA Financial Aid Scholars allowed to apply to the Summer Term Abroad Program?

OAA Financial Aid scholars who meet the minimum requirements are eligible to apply to the ASEP scheme of the SOH STA Program. They will also receive a 50% discount on the Confirmation Fee. However, their OAA scholarship will only cover the maximum load of a required intersession term. If the student has no required intersession in their IPS, the STA will not be covered. In addition, any overload or additional term they need to take due to any changes in their IPS as a result of the STA will not be covered by their scholarship. There may also be other requirements set by OAA; please ask them for more information.

What costs are STA Program participants expected to pay?

A student under the SOH Summer Term Abroad Program is required to pay the following:

1. Tuition fees (ISEP Fee for ASEP participants; tuition fees of destination university for ESAP participants)
2. Confirmation and OIR Processing Fee (10,000)
3. Visa processing fees, as required by respective embassies
4. Round-trip air fare to the country of destination
5. Living expenses (food and lodging)
6. Medical and travel insurance
7. Additional pocket money for travel and leisure (optional)

Are scholarships or subsidies available for the STA Program?

A limited number of scholarships are sometimes made available by destination universities or governments of destination countries; these are subject to the screening process of the sponsoring body. We have no guarantee about the availability of these scholarships in any school year, but all opportunities are announced as soon as our office receives the information.