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On Return

The end of your term abroad isn't the end of your study abroad experience! Returning to the U.S. means starting a whole new process of adjustment and learning, sometimes called reverse culture shock.

Program Evaluations

Shortly after your return to the states, you should receive a program evaluation sheet electronically. **Your program evaluation is essential to the Study Abroad Office and to future students.** Your evaluation will help our advisors assess the program and recommend it to the right students. It will help students decide on and prepare for their study abroad program.

Transcript and Grade Processing

The amount of time necessary to process your study abroad transcript will vary depending on the program you participated in and the courses you took. You can check to see whether your study abroad grades have posted through the [Student Access System](#). Or, if you don't have access to the Internet, call UICExpress at (312) 413-UICX (8429). More [information about how to use UICExpress](#) is available through the [Office of Admissions and Records website](#).

Before leaving your program, you should have ensured that a graded transcript would be sent to the UIC Study Abroad Office. Programs vary in how quickly they produce transcripts. If you need to have your grades processed quickly upon your return in order to graduate or apply to graduate or medical school, you should notify your program sponsor and study abroad advisor as soon as possible. Remember also that **your program will not release your transcript until your program fees have been paid in full, and a hold may be put on your student account at UIC.**

Unless you hear from your study abroad advisor, your grades will be posted automatically when the transcript is received and the grade report has been approved.

Language Placement Tests

If you are trying to fulfill a foreign language distribution requirement or get credit for a specific foreign language course, you may be required to take a placement test when you return. Placement tests are given by individual departments or by the [Office of Testing Services](#), Suite 1070 SSB. Your study abroad advisor will notify you if you need to take a test, what test you should sign up for, and who will administer it. For more information about the schedule of exams offered by the Office of Testing Services, call (312) 996-0919.