**Bellevue College Study Abroad programs**

**Preliminary Application**

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| Program Site |  | Quarter and Year |  |
| **Personal Information** | | | |
| First name  (print name as it appears in your passport) |  | Family name  (print name as it appears in your passport) |  |
| Passport # |  | Country of Citizenship |  |
| Date of Birth |  | Student # |  |
| Email Add. |  | | |
| Mailing Add. |  | | |
| Permanent Add. |  | | |
| **Education** | | | |
| Beginning Date of Attendance |  | Ending Date of Attendance (or present) |  |
| (Intended) Academic Program |  | Cumulative GPA (2.5 or higher) |  |
| “I hereby certify that I have successfully completed at least 12 college credits of academic course work with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher at the time of program departure.” | | | |
| Signature |  | Date |  |
| **Local Emergency Contact** | | | |
| Name (s) |  | Relationship to you |  |
| Permanent add. |  | Email add. |  |
| Tel. (Home) |  | Tel. (Cell) |  |

**Study Abroad Application Essay**

On another sheet of paper, please describe the reasons you would like to study abroad, what you hope to accomplish while studying abroad, and how you hope to incorporate the experience into academic or career plans. Additionally, you can also describe an experience when you coped with a challenge (socially, emotionally and/or academically), and how you came up with a solution.

This essay is an important reference for your coordinator to know better of your motivation and how prepared you are socially, emotionally, and academically for your study abroad experience. It is very meaningful to discuss how the said program may contribute to your academic learning and increase your cultural awareness. It is helpful to mention your previous experience abroad but this is not required. You should also avoid referring to general “study abroad experience” but highlight specific locations and cultural specifics you plan to visit in the said country.

This essay is expected to be 600-900 words, typed, and submitted together with your **preliminary application form**, your **reference letters** and your **current unofficial transcript**.