

**Resolution SS1314-17****February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2014**DEPARTMENT OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS  
MAXWELL C. BROWN, DIRECTOR**A RESOLUTION FOR STUDY ABROAD TRANSFER CREDIT SIMPLIFICATION**

Whereas, The University of Notre Dame ranks fifth in the United States of America in percentage of undergraduate students participating in study abroad programs among U.S. doctoral/research institutions;

Whereas, The only opportunity many students will have to study abroad is during the summer, and encouraging summer study abroad for students unable to study abroad during the semester will increase the cultural competency of the students at the University of Notre Dame;

Whereas, Many accredited colleges and universities other than the University of Notre Dame offer competitive courses comparable to those offered at the University of Notre Dame;

Whereas, The current approval for process for transfer credit is not standardized and prohibitively complicated as demonstrated in Enclosure 1; and

Whereas, Peer institutions of the University of Notre Dame have created databases, as seen in Enclosure 2, that facilitate the process of obtaining transfer credit from summer study courses; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That the Student Senate requests that the Office of the Provost and Vice President for Internationalization work with the Deans of the Undergraduate Colleges and Schools that includes a student representative component to create a database of approved courses and a standardization of transfer credit restrictions among colleges, as guided by the proposed timeline in Enclosure 3.

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