SIENA ABROAD IDENTITY SERIES:

FIRST-GENERATION STATUS

As a first-generation student, just coming to Siena may have seemed out of reach at some point, not to mention the thought of participating in a study abroad program around the world. That said, there are many resources available to assist students interested in this opportunity of a lifetime. Meet with our office to discuss your questions and concerns and to learn more about the benefits of a study abroad experience. The Center for International Programs is here to help you every step of the way!

questions to consider

- If no one in my family has ever gone on a program abroad, who can help me check to see that I am on the right track?
- Is it okay if I schedule an extra appointment with my study abroad advisor if I'm not sure what to do?
- How do I talk to my family and friends about participating in a program?
- What resources are available to me?
- How will I make study abroad affordable?
- How does financial aid work with studying abroad?
- Are there additional funding sources I can look into to help finance a program?
- How do I obtain a passport?
- How do I know if I need a visa?
- What precautions should I be aware of before participating in a program?
- Do I need any vaccinations?

resources

- The First Generation Students' Study Abroad Guide (e-book)
- First Generation Students Traveling Abroad (article)
- "What's it Like to Study Abroad and Be the First in Your Family to Travel?" (blog post)
- I'm First (blog posts)

