



**SALUS**  
UNIVERSITY

### **Enrolling for Credit**

This document contains all the information you need on the process for enrolling for college credit for Therapy Abroad programs. You can request to receive a transcript from Salus University, our School of Record. You will be billed an additional fee of \$550 for a transcript showing credits unless you opt out of this option. If you are participating in a *semester* program with Therapy Abroad in fall, spring, or summer, your transcript cost will be included in your tuition and you will have no additional fee.

It can be difficult or impossible to get college credit after your program takes place, so you will want to take the necessary steps for ensuring you can enroll for college credit, and that your college or university will accept those credits.

Salus University is Therapy Abroad's School of Record. The College of Health Sciences, Education and Rehabilitation (CHER) is committed to offering programs grounded in evidence-based research and practice, and interprofessional education to prepare students to become competent professionals dedicated to promoting the health, well-being and education of the individuals and the communities they serve. With a strong dedication to health Sciences, Salus offers programs in optometry, audiology, physician assistant, occupational therapy, and speech-language pathology degree programs have been accredited by the governing bodies of those professions.

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Salus University is accredited by the [Middle States Commission on Higher Education](http://www.msche.org), 1007 North Orange Street, 4th Floor, MB #166, Wilmington, DE 19801. (267-284-5011) [www.msche.org](http://www.msche.org). The MSCHE is an institutional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Secretary of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). The University is approved by the Department of Education of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and is approved for Veterans' education under U.S. Code, Section 1775.

You can choose to receive credit from Salus for most Therapy Abroad programs. You will not attend Salus and the courses do not take place there, but you can receive an official Salus transcript for your courses with Therapy Abroad.

Below, please find all the information you need on how to get college credit for your Therapy Abroad program(s).

How to Get College Credit:

There are a number of ways in which you can earn credit for your Therapy Abroad experience. You just have to decide which one is right for you!

**(1) Get credit from Salus University.** You may select to receive credit for your program through Salus University. If you make this selection, you will receive an official transcript from Salus University for your course(s). In general, a two-week program is three credits. Credit options are available for most programs.

This option carries a fee of \$550

**(2) Get credit from Salus University and have that credit transferred to your current college or university.** This option is the same as Option 1, but you also arrange for your current college or university to accept the credit from Salus University as transfer credit (just as if you took a summer course at Salus University and wanted the course to appear on your transcript from your home college and count toward your requirements there).

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For this option, you should talk to your school about getting the transfer credit approved. Your school will likely want to see the syllabus for the course and may require other information or additional forms as well - you can send those to [admissions@Therapyabroad.org](mailto:admissions@Therapyabroad.org) for assistance. It is your responsibility to ensure that your Salus University credit will transfer and to ensure that you meet all the requirements for the transfer if you plan to transfer your credits to your home college or university.

This option carries a fee of \$550 for enrollment in Salus University for the term (not included in your tuition), and may carry additional fees from your college or university. This enrollment fee (\$550) from Salus University can include more than one Therapy Abroad course during a program season. For example, if you're enrolled in our Belize Communication Sciences & Disorders Program and our Thailand SLP/AAC Program in the same summer and request credit from Salus for each course, both courses can be listed on the transcript you receive from Salus for the \$550 enrollment fee. However, if you were to enroll in one program in summer 2023 and request a transcript, and then return in 2024 for another program, you would pay the Salus enrollment fee each time.

**(3) Get credit directly from your current college or university.** You can petition your college or university to get internship, research, or other credits directly through your home institution. Your school will likely require additional paperwork or information, which you can email to [admissions@Therapyabroad.org](mailto:admissions@Therapyabroad.org). Your school may also require additional work from you, such as a paper or presentation. Therapy Abroad cannot provide you a grade in the course unless you are enrolling in credit from Salus University.

This option does not have any fees from Therapy Abroad or our School of Record, but may have fees from your school.

## Which Credit Option Should I Choose?

You do not have to pursue college credit for your Therapy Abroad program(s): it's completely optional. If you'd like to receive credit and aren't sure which option is best for you, here are some factors to consider:

- If you are currently *not enrolled* in college or university, it is likely that Option 1 above is the only method for receiving college credit. If you attend a college or university in the future, whether or not they accept the transfer credit is at their discretion.
- If you know that you want credit but don't need it to meet graduation requirements, you might find that Option 1 above is the easiest choice, as it doesn't require any approval from your current college or university.
- If you want credit to count toward your graduation requirements and to be on your transcript for your current college or university, you would want to consider Option 2 and Option 3. Option 2 is generally a more straightforward process, since every college and university has a process in place for accepting transfer credits from other universities. Option 2 may or may not be cheaper, depending on your school fees.
- Options 2 and 3 may make you eligible to use federal financial aid toward your Therapy Abroad tuition.

Therapy Abroad is happy to support you in any of these three options. We can complete performance reviews and forms for Option 3, but cannot provide additional graded assignments for that Option. However, your school may assign you and grade additional assignments if it so requires.

What does credit entail

**For short-term courses** (including two-week summer programs), your grade will be based on a hybrid course format where students will interact synchronously and asynchronously with the professor via virtual format. Specifically, students can expect lectures (pre-departure and in-country) that also includes discussions, problem-based

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learning, and group projects. Your two-week trip will serve as your clinical rotation resulting in the accumulation of direct clinical clock hours

. You can find detailed information in the “grading” and “assignments and points” section of the course syllabi, available here.

*Choosing not to receive credit does not reduce the tuition of the program.*

## How to get College Credit

- 1. Choose the Best Option for You.** If you are currently enrolled at a college or university, talk to your academic advisor, study abroad office, registrar’s office, and/or department head to ensure you’ve found the right credit option for you.
  
- 2. If Choosing Option 3 (credit directly from your school), Contact Us.** If you will be pursuing credit directly from your school, please email [admissions@Therapyabroad.org](mailto:admissions@Therapyabroad.org) and provide them with:
  - a. Your name
  - b. Your program and dates
  - c. Your college or university name
  - d. How many credits you are earning
  - e. What the credits will be called on your transcript (internship, research, etc)
  - f. Name of advisor who approved the credits
  - g. Contact info for advisor who approved the credits
  - h. Any additional forms/paperwork that need to be completed

We need to have this information on file in order to communicate effectively with your school. This information can also help future students from your

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school who may want to receive credit. Please provide this information **before** your Therapy program begins. We may be able to accommodate requests pertaining to credit after your program is complete, but we can help you much more easily if you submit your request beforehand.

**3. If Choosing Option 1 or 2 (Salus University), sign up.** You can sign up for your college credit options with Salus University by emailing [admissions@Therapyabroad.org](mailto:admissions@Therapyabroad.org).