

## ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS OF STUDY ABROAD

This program requires:

- Accessing and riding on Metro (underground/subway) trains to reach destinations at program site (most metro stations overseas do not have elevators)
- Being able to carry class materials, backpacks, or other supplies as necessary to meet course requirements
- Being able to keep pace with large groups of people while on site visits
- Being able to navigate very small streets, paved, unpaved, covered in cobblestones or uneven surfaces, and in many cases with no sidewalks
- Being able to work in a group setting
- Carrying packed suitcases and other personal belongings with no help
- Climbing stairs (elevators are not always available overseas)
- Living, traveling, eating, sleeping, with a group of people
- Sharing a room with another student (two people sleeping in one room)
- Sleeping on rented beds as provided by the program, such as hotel room beds, dormitory beds, etc.
- Standing for long periods of time
- Traveling by air, train, boat, bus, or other possibly cramped conditions for hours at a time
- Walking over very long distances, sometimes in hot temperatures

OIE is committed to supporting students with disabilities who plan to embark on an international experience. Along with this one of a kind experience comes with the knowledge that there are different cultural viewpoints and legal standards for disabilities throughout the world. Contact your study abroad advisor for additional details about the essential functions of this particular study abroad program. Notify the Office of International Education and the Office of Disability Services about your accommodation needs as soon as possible, but at a minimum, we suggest at least six months before your expected departure. Please note, that depending on your needs, it may take longer to determine if accommodations are in place for the program that you have chosen.