

Guide to exchange or study abroad subject approvals in European Studies

Who can apply?

You may request approval whether you are completing European Studies as an Arts minor, Arts elective or as breadth. Ideally, you will be travelling to a European country, but you may credit European Studies from universities outside Europe as well.

How much credit can I get?

You may request approval for *a maximum of 25 University of Melbourne points* of European Studies subjects. This amounts to a third of the minor, or two subjects.

What sorts of subjects can I do?

In general your subjects should be about Europe from a humanities or social sciences point of view, preferably from a comparative perspective, or dealing with more than one country. Subjects in European history, politics, languages, literature, film or other aspects of culture are acceptable. Approvals for language study in a European language are limited to level 1 credit, at beginners level only.

What kind of credit will I get?

Usually you will be approved for *unspecified credit*. This means that the subject will not be listed as a direct equivalent to a University of Melbourne subject, but as an elective.

How do I determine how many subjects to do?

When choosing subjects to request credit, please be aware of the exchange value, usually with reference to the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). *7.5 ECTS points are generally equivalent to one University of Melbourne subject*. If the University in question uses a different points system, please include information about this in your approval application.

How do I apply for approval?

Please email the following information – as far as it is available – in the body of your email (no attachments please!) to Heather Benbow (benbow@unimelb.edu.au):

1. Your name and student number
2. The name of the university where you are applying
3. Are you doing a Minor, elective or breadth in European Studies?
4. At what level do you want credit? (1, 2 or 3)
5. A list of your chosen subjects with ECTS (or other value)
6. Links to sites where the assessment, contact hours and subject descriptions are available.

Approvals will generally be done by email only. Appointments will be made by invitation only.