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**Kent State University :**

Kent State University has approximately 38,000 students across 8 campuses located throughout Ohio. AUS students can choose to study abroad at any of the eight campuses, as well as the satellite campus in Florence, Italy.

**Location:**

Kent, Ohio is the main campus.

To see the list of all 8 campus locations in Ohio, look here: <https://www.kent.edu/campus-locations>.

Another option is the Kent State University Florence Campus (see separate Advising Sheet for more info): <https://www.kent.edu/Florence>.

Note: Not all campus locations will have courses for all majors. Students should check what is offered at campuses outside of Kent, Ohio.

**AUS Requirements/Eligibility:**

1. Sophomores encouraged to apply; must have at least 60 credits by program start date
2. Must not be in graduating semester (last semester).
3. Must have at least a cumulative GPA 2.5 or above.

**AUS Placement Availability and Likelihood:**

Please be aware that spaces in this program may be limited, and the number of spaces available for AUS placements will vary from semester to semester. That means that sometimes, access to these spaces will be competitive based on your cumulative GPA, Essay, Reference Letters, and other considerations. AUS International Exchange Office (IXO) will try to accommodate your first choice placements wherever possible, but you should always list several programs in your application, in case space is not available in your first choice university.

**Length of Stay:**

One or two semesters.

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**Courses:**

**CAAD:** Students may register for any CAAD courses.

**CAS:** Students may register for any CAS courses.

**SBA:** The College of Business Administration is AACSB-accredited. Students are encouraged to take their general education (humanities, etc.), free electives and Business electives (MJR or MIN electives). Students can take major or required courses during their study abroad semester after getting the approval from SBA at AUS.

KS has a list of unique international business classes in globalization, international marketing and finance, and regional courses. For more information on the courses please visit: <http://catalog.kent.edu/colleges/bu/#coursestext>.

**Course Restrictions:**

Please note that not all academic majors/programs are available on Kent Campus or permissible for international exchange students. These majors/programs include:

1. Mechanical/Electrical Engineering
2. Architecture & Interior Design (unless all prerequisites have been completed)
3. Managerial Marketing

**AUS Course Approval:**

CEN majors can take general education and elective courses at this host destination.

Upon getting the placement from IXO, students should plan on working on their [AUS Course Permission Form](#) and get their classes approved by the department's designated approver for the courses that will be taken

abroad. Upon approval, students would be provided with the grades required to transfer credits. Students must achieve the minimum grade as indicated on the form to receive course credit (requirements for credit transfer vary by program). Each study abroad case is subject to approval.

#### **Program Fees and Costs:**

Exchange students pay AUS tuition fees for the full course load (12-16 credits) in addition to Student Activities fees. Any additional costs including housing, lab fees, meal plans, books and insurance will be paid directly to the host university.

#### **AUS Financial Grants and Scholarships:**

AUS students on grants/scholarships must obtain approval from the Office of Financial Grants and Scholarships before starting a semester abroad at a host university. In cases where the AUS student pays tuition directly to AUS for study abroad, the student will continue to use their AUS grants and AUS-funded scholarships for that semester abroad. These students should speak with the Financial Grants and Scholarship Manager for more information [scholarship@aus.edu](mailto:scholarship@aus.edu).

#### **AUS Sponsored Students:**

Students sponsored by external organizations that are in partnership with the AUS Sponsorship Liaison Office will be responsible for asking permission with their sponsor. A Letter to the Sponsor is available from the International Exchange Office. Please contact [ixo@aus.edu](mailto:ixo@aus.edu).

#### **Housing/Accommodation:**

Students are required to live on Campus. KS offers housing accommodation on campus (gender-inclusive housing is available) for students who apply and pay required fees before the deadline. To view housing options visit the website: <https://www.kent.edu/housing/residence-halls>.

#### **Visa:**

Students must apply to the US Embassy/Consulate to obtain their J1 Exchange Visitor Visa. They must make an appointment and follow up with the required documentation, such as the letter of acceptance and bank statement. See <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/visa-information-resources/forms/ds-160-online-nonimmigrant-visa-application.html> and <https://ceac.state.gov/ceac/> for complete information on Visa application process.

#### **Health Insurance:**

All exchange students must have valid health insurance coverage during their stay abroad. They can either purchase their own or from KS. Follow instruction given by the host university.

