StudioAbroad - FAQs

What is StudioAbroad?

StudioAbroad is a software product that allows administrators of programs, grant managers and risk managers to provide a secure online application system for a student’s application. The system syncs with PeopleSoft and accesses student records to pre-populate information needed. The system is secure and meets Risk Management and Legal Counsel requirements.

Who created it?

StudioAbroad was created by a company by the name of Terra Dotta. It is the outgrowth of two students who studied abroad together and decided to create software to make the application process easier.

What does the system specifically do?

StudioAbroad takes all of your application procedures, forms and documents needed for travel and trip approval, including documents that require a signature, and puts it online for you. Further, the system can create a web page that serves to advertise your program.

What are the benefits of using the system?

The major benefit of the system is time and effort. As opposed to maintaining paper files, developing your own spreadsheets in Filemaker, Excel, etc.. the system streamlines your application procedures and saves you time and effort.

Is it difficult to use?

Like all things there’s a learning curve but the system overall is simple enough to use and luckily members of Cornell Abroad will train users.

How do I arrange my program to be “brought into” StudioAbroad?

It is the responsibility of the Travel Safety Coordinator and their team of dedicated staff to provide this support. They will meet with your office and migrate your current application process. Over the course of about a month they will make a website, migrate your forms and train you on using the system.

How do I find out more?

Contact Cornell Abroad at cuabroad@cornell.edu for more information.