

## Furman University Study Away Program: Program Expectations

**Program Title:** Medical Mysteries and Histories

**Locations:** Edinburgh, York, Bath, Oxford, London

**Dates:** May 14 - June 1, 2024

**Program Description:** This course will provide a survey of illness, health, and medicine from Antiquity through current research and innovations. It will examine the changing relationships between medical theories and practice and address the roles of practitioners, patients, and institutions. The course will also consider the experiences of health, illness, prevention, and treatment, while exploring the various social, cultural, political, and economic dimensions of these issues.

### Academic, Environmental, Physical & Health Expectations for Participation

Below is a list of academic, environmental and physical expectations and requirements for participation in this study away program. The list captures most, but not all, requirements. If you have questions about the expectations and requirements, please check with the study away office or the program directors. Students requiring a physical or academic accommodation should contact the Student Office for Accessibility Resources (SOAR) no less than 4 months prior to the start date of the program.

	Frequency		Frequency
<b>ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS</b>	<b>Always, Sometimes, Never/ Required or Optional</b>	<b>STUDY AWAY ENVIRONMENT</b>	<b>Always, Sometimes, Never/ Required or Optional</b>
Course work in a foreign language	Never	Foreign Language Environment	No
Course work in English	Always	Terrain (Mountains, Tropical, Forest, Desert, Hilly, Flat)	Edinburgh is hilly with cobblestone walkways. York has uneven pavement.
Laptop Required	Yes	Population: Rural, Urban, Remote, etc.	Urban
Smart phone required (videos, photos, blogs)	No, but recommended	Environment (high altitude, air pollution, dusty, sandy, humid, dry, hot, cold)	Variable temperatures, may rain, may be chilly or hot.
Traditional Classroom	No	Mosquito Borne Risk of Illness	No
Group Work	No	Is tap water safe to drink	Yes
Academic Assessments (tests, journals, presentations, essays)	Yes- reflective journals, readings, participation, final project, Moodle	Other Risks (natural disasters, crime, pickpocketing, etc.)	Possible risk of pickpocketing. Be vigilant as always while traveling.
Interactions with local residents	Guides, but not immersive	Cultural Dress Code	Respectful for houses of worship. No FU branded gear. Furman gear is ok.
Field Work/Research	No	Risk of Discrimination	Same as anywhere.
Internship/ Volunteer Work	No	Curfew	No. Students will be required to go out in groups.
<b>PHYSICAL EXPECTATIONS</b>	<b>Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional</b>	<b>HEALTH &amp; DIET</b>	<b>Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional</b>
Lifting/Carrying Own Luggage	Required	Vegetarian and Vegan Options Available at all meals	Yes
Carrying equipment or program supplies	No	Food Allergy Accommodations	Yes

Standing 60+ minutes	Museum visits
Ability to walk up one or more flights of stairs (elevators may not be available)	Yes, hotels and some Tube stations may not have elevators
Hiking (easy to strenuous; frequency; miles)	No
Walking 3+ miles per day	Likely
Use of public transportation (buses, trams, trains, subways)	Yes
<b>LIVING ARRANGEMENTS</b>	<b>Always, Sometimes, Never, / Required or Optional</b>
Roommate	Yes
Hotel	Shared double occupancy hotel rooms
Cell phone signal available	Yes
Internet signal available	Yes
Refrigerator Access	If required for medication, please ask the program directors in advance of departure to make inquiries.

Group Meals	All breakfasts included, 2 lunches, 2 dinners.
Cooking for oneself	No
Host family prepares meals	No
Healthcare easily accessible	Yes
Quality of Healthcare	Excellent

Center for Disease Control Recommendations: <https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list>