Internships (Fieldwork) While Studying Abroad

An Undergraduate Child Development (CD) Major may do a fieldwork internship while abroad if the following requirements are met:

Please note that this is an exception to the policy of the Tufts Office of Programs Abroad, which does not typically allow credit for such internships. The CD Department is an exception to this policy because ours is an "Applied Child Development" Degree.

1. The student must enroll in, and receive credit for, a course offered by the institution s/he attends while abroad, and thus there must be local faculty oversight of the internship/fieldwork.

2. The student must meet with Professor Modry-Mandell, Fieldwork Administrator, prior to going abroad (or, if necessary, an electronic meeting within the first month of the semester abroad). This meeting will insure that the fieldwork abroad meets the Department’s requirements for the applied experience counting toward the major. Ideally, this meeting should take place prior to going abroad, however, it can take place via e-mail at the beginning of the semester abroad.

3. At the end of the internship, the student must write an eight-page paper and send electronically to Professor Scarlett who will then approve the fieldwork online in your transfer of credit request – to count for CD 99 or (if you have already taken CD 99) CD199, which will satisfy the applied requirement for the CD major.

The purpose of the paper is to use the fieldwork experience to address important questions and issues having to do with the care of children/adolescents/families. The fieldwork experience should provide you with narratives and examples to use in explaining important questions and issues.