Program Director Checklist

This timeline provides the necessary schedule to get approval, work on logistics and academic components, recruit students, and prepare the group for departure. The timeline below is meant as a guide for PDs; actual times may vary based on specific program needs and travel dates.

Months prior to course start date		Tasks
Fall Semester Program	Spring Semester Program	
12 months	12 months	☐ Get Chair's/Dean's support for program concept ☐ Consult with CGE on how to develop a program proposal Attend Program Director Workshops sponsored by CGE
10 months	10 months	 Submit Program Proposal Form (see Appendix B) Proposal reviewed and approved (to meet Timetable deadlines) Work on logistics, itinerary, and budget; consult with CGE as necessary (See Appendices C-E).
8 months	5 months	 Confirm on-site contacts/ agency affiliations Develop marketing materials (see Appendix I & P) Submit to CGE your program application and marketing materials so they can be uploaded to AbroadOffice (AO). Begin to promote program and recruit students using AO (see Appendix N)
4 months	3 months	 Accept applications from students in AO until established deadline; make final selections Send CGE list of accepted students by the CGE PD review deadline to ensure your students are considered for study abroad scholarships. Students sign and upload to AO Acceptance Agreement (see Appendix G). Students pay non-refundable deposit. Confirm visa requirements.
Months prior to departure date		Task
4 months	4 months	 Collect program fees from students according to payment deadlines (see Appendix G) Submit Program Participant Roster to CGE (see Appendix H) Schedule pre-departure orientation session(s)
2 months	2 months	☐ Working with CGE, direct students to complete and upload required study abroad forms in AO
1 month	1 month	 Submit to CGE: Final itinerary (see Itinerary and Logistics section page 10 and Appendix O) Make final preparations and confirm program logistics Check that all students have paid in full
0 months	0 months	 Departure: Use Expense Log within Budget Worksheet (see Appendix C), keep all receipts, keep CGE informed of changes to itinerary and any emergencies
Within 1 month after return Post-program	Within 1 month after return	 Turn in Expense Log and final accounting to Business Office Submit results from Participant Program Evaluations (see template in Appendix L) to CGE Schedule a post-program meeting with CGE and appropriate Chair/Dean to evaluate program At least 1 year before you plan to offer the program again,
		inform CGE.