1. Focus on Your Study Away Goals:
   
   **Instructions:**
   The questions below are intended to help you start thinking about study away. This is not an application, but rather an opportunity for informal reflection to:
   
   - reflect on your goals for study away,
   - learn how to find programs that support these goals, and
   - consider other issues related to study away.
   
   After completing this questionnaire and reflecting, you will have the opportunity to meet with a Study Away Advisor. You will indicate this when you complete the “Study Away Advising Appointment” questionnaire.

   (*) Indicates the question is required.

1. Intended major(s) (*)
   
   Note: It's OK if this changes later.

2. Intended minor(s)

3. Intended concentration(s)

4. Why do you want to study away? List your three main reasons. (*)

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5. Which of the following are important to you in choosing a program? (List ALL that apply) (*)

   - Location (city, country, region)
   - Term (some programs are only offered in one semester)
   - Academic Features (ex: civic engagement, courses at a local university, creative work, facilitated excursions, independent study project, internship)
   - Housing (ex: home stay, apartment, residence hall, local roommate)
   - Language of Instruction
   - Area of Study

Explore the advanced program search to discover all the different opportunities programs
offer.

6. What degree requirements do you need or want to complete during study away? (*)

For information about study away related to your intended major, minor, or concentration, please review the Department Recommendations on study away.

7. Identity topics

Given that cultural norms around personal identity topics vary greatly from location to location, which of the following topics are you considering in selecting your study away program?

Topics may include: ethnicity, national origin, race, sexual orientation, gender, religion, or other identities that are important to you.

8. Other topics

Topics and issues that are central to your experience at Macalester will continue to be important when you study away. Support systems, staff, and other accommodations available at Mac may not be available on all study away programs. Which of the following topics are important considerations for your program selection?

Topics may include: finances, health concerns, special dietary needs, mental health needs, ability, academic accommodations or anything else that is important to you.

9. Learning Goals (*)

Now that you have thought about the questions above, please take a moment to reflect on the following statement:

- Macalester College highly values study away and expects students to work towards developing intellectual independence and self-awareness through opportunities such as cultural learning, discipline-specific experiences outside the classroom, language learning, and enhanced learning through curricular opportunities unavailable at Macalester.

In the context of the statement above, please write down some initial thoughts on your
individual learning goals for study away. It is okay if you are at the beginning of thinking through this process.