Faculty are key to the success of study abroad at Virginia Tech. While it can be very rewarding leading your own study abroad program, faculty leaders do take on a host of responsibilities. You’re not alone though, the Global Education Office is here to offer support.

Benefits for faculty leading programs:
- Significant enhancement of teaching, research, and service
- Global competence which can then be passed on to students
- Opportunities to connect with students in a more meaningful way
- Addition of experiential and global learning objectives to courses
- Fully-supported method for one to travel and conduct academic work abroad

Benefits for students participating:
- Courses taught by Virginia Tech faculty
- Credits earned toward major, minor, and/or degree
- Pre-planned and structured programs
- Opportunities to build strong connections with Virginia Tech faculty, and in many cases, with students from other disciplines
- Unique academic, career, and personal development

Global Education Program Support
The Global Education Office provides administrative and logistical support for faculty-led programs.
- Works with Program Leaders to create safe, geographically relevant, academically sound, and fiscally responsible programs
- Provides guidance regarding best practices for study abroad programming and Virginia Tech policy and procedure
- Supports creation of a program proposal
- Provides grant opportunities supporting the development and enrichment of new or existing programs
- Supports development of program budget in conjunction with the Program Leader
- Aids with logistical arrangements
- Supports recruitment efforts in coordination with Program Leader
- Supports review of applications, selection of participants, and enrollment management
- Advises students and provides support for pre-departure orientations facilitated by Program Leader
- Holds program leader trainings and faculty development workshops
- Provides emergency and risk management support
- Initiates and facilitates post-program evaluation

Learn more:
https://www.globaleducation.vt.edu/Faculty/Faculty-Led.html