Cell Phone Requirements

While attending a Verto abroad experience, you are required to be in possession of a working cellular phone with the ability to make and receive voice calls, SMS, and internet data capability. *It is your responsibility to provide Verto with an up-to-date phone number upon arrival,* and to update Verto staff should your phone number change during the Study Abroad Experience. When not in class, you are expected to keep your phone fully charged, operating with adequate credit, and switched on so that Verto staff can reach you in the case of an emergency.

**It is recommended that you:**

- Ensure your mobile device is unlocked before traveling to your abroad location. This can be done by contacting your mobile service provider in the United States. If the phone cannot be unlocked due to contractual reasons from the service provider, please consider purchasing an unlocked GSM cell phone for semester use.
- Check if loss or damage of your cell phone is covered under your cell phone plan, AppleCare, or your family’s homeowners’/rental insurance policy. You may also consider adding coverage for loss or damage to your travel insurance policy.