



**Boston University** Study Abroad

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## FAQs

**Q. Why study abroad?**

A. Lots of reasons, like:

- Learning more about another culture
- Improving your foreign language skills
- Receiving international work experience through an academic internship program

**Q. I haven't studied a foreign language. Can I still study abroad?**

A. Sí!

**Q. Can I spend more than one semester abroad?**

A. Sí again!! Many students spend consecutive semesters at their study abroad destination, or combine two different sites for a year abroad.

**Q. Do students with only certain majors study abroad?**

A. No. Students from all majors study abroad.

### FOR BU STUDENTS ONLY

**Q. Will studying abroad cost more than a regular semester at Boston University?**

A. Generally, the cost of study abroad is the same or less than a semester at Boston University, but study abroad fees sometimes include extras like airfare and great excursions.

**Q. Is it possible to study abroad on a non-BU or external program?**

A. Yes. For more information please see External Programs at [bu.edu/abroad](http://bu.edu/abroad).

### FOR NON-BU STUDENTS

**Q. Will credits from a Boston University study abroad program transfer to my college?**

A. In most cases, yes. You will receive an official Boston University transcript on completion of your program, which you can submit to your own college or university.

**Q. Can I get financial aid? Do you have scholarships or grants?**

A. Yes. We award financial aid, based both on need and merit, to approximately 150 non-Boston University students every year.

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▶ **IT'S WHAT YOU BRING BACK.**



WORLD-CLASS INTERNSHIP AND STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS. ▶ [BU.EDU/ABROAD](http://BU.EDU/ABROAD)



Key chains, t-shirts, refrigerator magnets—bringing back souvenirs is part of traveling. But when you study internationally through Boston University Study Abroad programs, you'll bring back way more than a few tchotchkes. You'll bring back experiences that will change your life, and memories far more meaningful than that mini-Big Ben you picked up in London. And how could you not? After all, BU is the premier study abroad provider in the country (we were also one of the first). Our programs around the world—over 30 cities in more than 20 countries—combine rigorous academics with proven internships and fieldwork.

So start flipping through these pages. We'll bet it won't take long before you realize what over 25,000 other students already know: BU's Study Abroad offerings aren't just about going somewhere special, they're about bringing back something amazing. (And if you really want that pen in the shape of a French baguette, we won't stop you.)

## ON TOP OF THE WORLD.

**"When I returned from Lima and Ayacucho, Peru, last summer, I brought with me a sense that our way might not be the best way. Every time I travel I try to adopt the best parts of a country's culture into my own. In Peru I noticed a bigger sense of community that is lost here in the United States. It's less of a dog-eat-dog world.**

**"If I ever started to lose focus, I had a huge support system there to put me back on my feet. This sense of community started, for me, at the dinner table. Food was ordered, placed on the table, and everyone could share from the various dishes. Family is everything."**

**Florian Dhondt, Peru**



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# WHERE DO YOU WANT TO GO?

You name it, BU goes there—well, almost anywhere. With more than 30 cities on six continents to choose from, you're going to go places, do things, and meet people you never could imagine. And you're going to do it all with the group that pioneered the whole idea and created the premier study abroad program in academia: Boston University Study Abroad.

- Argentina**  
Argentina Cultural Studies Program
- Australia**  
Sydney Engineering Program  
Sydney Entertainment Promotion & Film Studies Program  
Sydney Internship Program  
Sydney Management Internship Program\*  
Sydney School of Education Program\*  
Travel Writing in Australia
- China**  
Beijing: Renmin University Exchange\*  
Hong Kong Polytechnic University: School of Hotel and Tourism Management Exchange\*  
Shanghai Chinese Language and Culture Program  
Shanghai Chinese Studies Program  
Shanghai Internship Program
- Denmark**  
Copenhagen Business School\*  
University of Copenhagen Exchange\*
- Ecuador**  
Ecuador Tropical Ecology Program  
Quito Language and Liberal Arts Program  
Quito School of Education Program\*

- England**  
London Acting Program (LAMDA)\*  
London Art History Program with the Courtauld Institute of Art  
London College of General Studies Program\*  
London College of General Studies Program in the Humanities\*  
London College of General Studies Program in the Natural Sciences\*  
London Graduate Journalism Program\*  
London Graduate Mass Communication Program  
London History and Literature Program  
London Internship Program  
London Liberal Arts Program  
London Music Program with the Royal College of Music\*  
London School of Education Program\*  
London & Paris: Architecture and Urbanism Program
- France**  
Grenoble Engineering Program  
Grenoble Language and Liberal Arts Program  
Grenoble Science Program  
Paris Contemporary Studies Program  
Paris: Institut d'Études Politiques de Paris Exchange (Sciences Po)\*  
Paris Internship Program  
Paris Management Internship Program\*

- Germany**  
Dresden Engineering Program  
Dresden Internship Program  
Dresden Science Program  
Dresden University Studies Program
- Guatemala**  
Guatemala Archaeology Program
- Ireland**  
Dublin Engineering Program  
Dublin Internship Program  
Dublin Management Internship Program\*
- Italy**  
Arezzo Physical Theater Program\*  
Milan: Bocconi University Exchange\*  
Padua Language and Liberal Arts Program  
Rome: Intercollegiate Center for Classical Studies (ICCS)\*  
Tuscany Landscape Painting Program  
Venice Studio Arts Program

- USA**  
Los Angeles Certificate Program  
Los Angeles Film & Television Internship-only Program\*  
Los Angeles Internship Program  
Washington, DC Internship Program  
Washington, DC Journalism Program  
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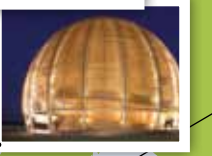
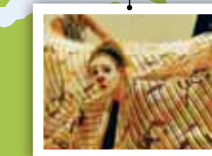
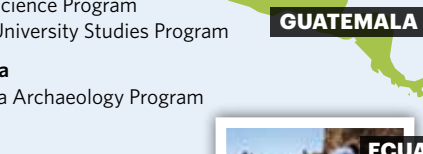
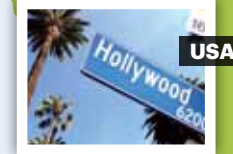
- Morocco**  
Rabat Arabic Language and Regional Studies Program  
Rabat Arabic Language and Service Learning Program
- New Zealand**  
Auckland Internship Program  
Auckland Management Internship Program  
Auckland University Studies Program
- Niger**  
Niamey International Development Program  
Niamey West African Studies Program

- Japan**  
Kyoto Consortium for Japanese Studies\*  
Tokyo: Keio University Exchange\*
- Lebanon**  
American University of Beirut Exchange\*
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Lima and Ayacucho: Understanding Contemporary Peru
- Singapore**  
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- South Korea**  
Seoul National University Management Internship Exchange\*
- Spain**  
Burgos Language and Liberal Arts Program  
Madrid Film Studies and Documentary Video Production Program  
Madrid Internship Program

- Turkey**  
Istanbul: Bogaziçi University Exchange\*
- Syria**  
Syria Archaeological Field School
- Switzerland**  
Madrid Language and Liberal Arts Program  
Madrid Management Internship Program  
Menorca Field School in Archaeology and Heritage Management  
Geneva Internship Program  
Geneva Physics Program  
Geneva & London: International Conflict Resolution

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Auckland University Studies Program



## AT A GLANCE

- ▶ Programs open to all majors
- ▶ Housing provided for all students as part of the program fee
- ▶ Full-time Boston University staff at each site
- ▶ Fall and spring semester programs; some also offered during the summer
- ▶ Organized excursions and activities included
- ▶ Financial aid available

\*BU Students Only

A sunset in Rabat. Kangaroos on Pebbly Beach, Australia. An art show in Paris.

## WHAT WILL OPEN YOUR EYES?



"Observing a 500-year-old tree in the Tiputini Research Station in the Amazon rainforest." – Tyler Sit [Ecuador]



"Experiencing the place where classical music grew up... studying in the Royal College of Music" – Laura Carpenter [London]



"Hiking the coastal route of El Camino Santiago. Yellow arrows painted on wooden fences and mossy rocks led us in the right direction. We went to explore a new land, but during our time abroad we discovered ourselves." – Desa Larkin-Boutte [Spain]



"Pausing frequently from daily activities, observing, and finding awe in the world around you." – Christine Mykityshyn [Padua, Italy]



"Making connections—taught these young girls how to play Frisbee." – Florian Dhondt [Lima & Ayacucho, Peru]



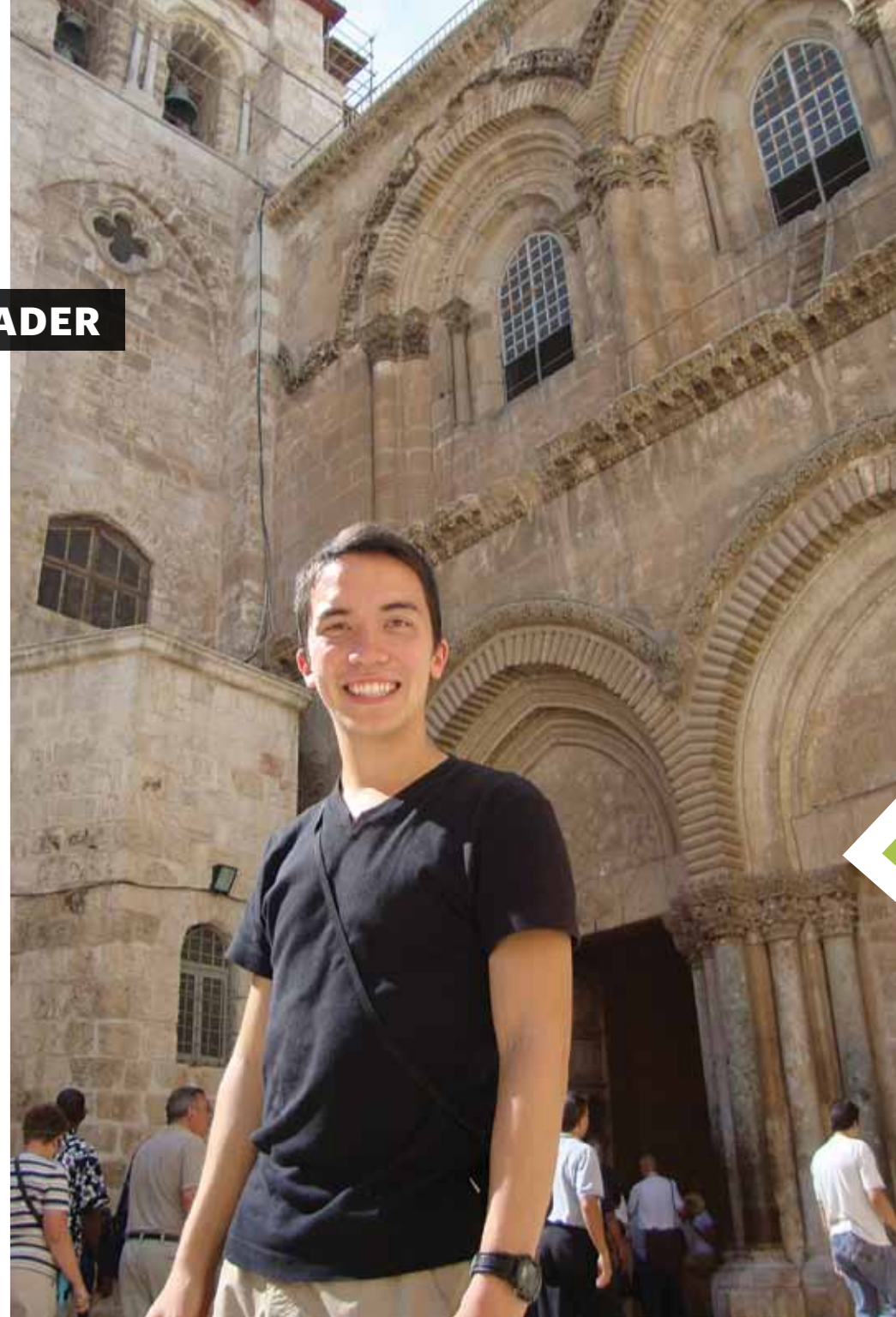
## BRING BACK REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE AND A BROADER UNDERSTANDING OF **YOUR FIELD.**

### Internship Programs

The Internship Program is one thing that distinguishes Boston University Study Abroad from all the others. We were one of the first to create a work/study combination for students traveling abroad. The coursework and the internship complement one another, enabling students to deepen their understanding of the culture and work environment of the host country. So whether you're looking to immerse yourself further in a culture, strengthen your language skills in a foreign country, or gain access to opportunities that just aren't available here at home, an internship is the way to go.

### Language, Liberal Arts, Science, and Engineering Programs

So maybe an internship isn't for you. No problem. You can still immerse yourself in a particular language and culture with any of the nearly 40 programs we offer in language, liberal arts, science, and engineering. And that's not counting the 30 or so programs, consortia, and exchanges offered for BU students only (see page 8).



### Who knows? You just might intern for a...

- ▶ TV station in Sydney
- ▶ Member of Parliament in London
- ▶ Museum in Paris
- ▶ Political organization in Madrid
- ▶ Humanitarian group in Geneva
- ▶ Telecommunications company in Auckland
- ▶ Magazine in Dublin

**"In Haifa, I interned with the Coalition for Public Health. CPH is an organization that advocates to change environment-related public health maladies in northern Israel, especially Haifa. I was the only native English speaker on staff, so I communicated with American and European scholars and designed a campaign that engaged English-speaking populations. The internship exposed me to the reality of environmental injustice and how the poor are consistently the most affected by air pollution, water pollution, and soil degradation."**

### **Tyler Sit, Haifa, Israel**

(Tyler also spent a semester in Ecuador.)

## INTERNSHIPS

### WHERE DO YOU WANT TO WORK?

A partial list of the amazing opportunities that await you.

#### **Auckland Internship Program**

The combination of academic work, field trips, and personal travel opportunities gives students a rich introduction to New Zealand life and culture. Internship areas may include arts/arts administration, hospitality/tourism, science/engineering, and international organizations/NGOs.

#### **Geneva Internship Program**

The Geneva Internship Program combines coursework at the Boston University Geneva Academic Center with professional work experience in or near Geneva. Students choose between two tracks when submitting an application: International Relations or Public Health.

#### **London Internship Program**

Boston University's London Internship Program, established in 1984, continues to set the standard for internship programs abroad.

#### **Paris Internship Program**

This program combines an internship with intensive French-language study and liberal arts courses. French faculty from local universities teach courses on contemporary France that are specifically designed for students in the Boston University program.

#### **Sydney Internship Program**

This program offers coursework and participation in a professional internship in or near Sydney. Internship areas may include advertising/marketing/public relations, film/radio/television, health/human services, and politics/international relations.

*For a complete list of internship programs, including details about each one, visit [bu.edu/abroad](http://bu.edu/abroad).*



**Once you're accepted to a BU Study Abroad internship program, we guarantee that we'll find you a placement. With more than 4,000 internship placement sources worldwide, we'll work with you to find an internship that matches your interests and past experience.**

## PROGRAMS

### WHERE DO YOU WANT TO STUDY?

A partial list of the exciting academic choices to suit your focus.

#### Dresden Engineering Program

Students study at the Technische Universität Dresden. Designed for engineering students who wish to combine coursework in English with the study of German.

#### Ecuador Tropical Ecology Program

Intensive, field-based program in the Galápagos Islands, Pacific coast, Amazon rainforest, and the high Andes.

#### Geneva & England: International Conflict Resolution (Summer)

Four weeks in Geneva and four weeks in London studying conflict resolution.

#### Shanghai Chinese Studies Program (Summer)

Eight weeks of intensive language study at Shanghai's Fudan University. Courses are augmented by a five-day educational excursion that includes a weekend trip to a Yangzi River delta city and visits to local cultural sights.

For a complete list, including program details, visit [bu.edu/abroad](http://bu.edu/abroad).

- ▶ Exchange programs and consortium programs offer Boston University students the unique opportunity to enroll directly at a number of prestigious universities and programs in a variety of locations.



#### Programs for BU Students Only

- ▶ Sydney SED Program
- ▶ Sydney Management Internship Program
- ▶ Quito SED Program
- ▶ London Acting Program (LAMDA)
- ▶ London CGS Program
- ▶ London CGS Program in the Humanities
- ▶ London CGS Program in the Natural Sciences
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- ▶ Arezzo Physical Theater Program
- ▶ Los Angeles Film & Television Internship-only Program
- ▶ Consortia and Exchanges

"Students almost invariably gain in confidence throughout their time abroad. Coming to grips with new ways of doing things, new ways of learning, these are skills that are invaluable and forever useful whatever situation you find yourself in. It's about not getting flustered when something isn't immediately clear, being able to ask the right questions, and being able to work through to a solution. Being comfortable with the unfamiliar, anticipating problems and being able to work them out, taking on challenges. It's all part of a good education. But besides all that, nearly every student I can think of will tell you that studying abroad is tremendous fun, too!"

**Andy Charlton, Lecturer,  
London Internship Program**

"My education abroad was of equal quality to the rigorous education I receive on the Charles River Campus at Boston University. I can truly attest to this because I took two foundation classes abroad that I had to continue the following semester (Organic Chemistry I and Cell Biology). I had no problems adjusting to Organic Chemistry II at the Charles River Campus nor did I have any problems with my upper-level biology courses.

"My professors were approachable and worked hard to make sure that the entire class understood the material. We still maintain a great relationship. Whenever they visit Boston, they email us and our program plans a time to meet up with them."

**Colleen Drapek, Grenoble, France**

### BRING BACK LESSONS YOU'LL NEVER FORGET.

#### Faculty and Staff

There's a good reason why this is called Study Abroad and not *Travel* Abroad or *Sightsee* Abroad. Students join our programs to study or intern. Yes, there will be plenty of time to explore the beauty and culture of your host country, but make no mistake about it: just because you're away from Boston doesn't mean you aren't receiving a Boston University education.

Boston University Study Abroad is committed to academic excellence in all of its programs. All programs offer fully accredited Boston University courses, taught by Boston University-appointed adjunct faculty members or by distinguished faculty members in the host country. We maintain regular consultations with faculty to address academic issues at all levels of program development and administration.



#### Far away from home, but not from support.

Boston University staffs its programs with experienced, full-time, on-site educators and administrators. Resident staff members arrange housing, provide academic support, organize student life, and support students in every way. They are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.



## BRING BACK A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE WORLD. AND YOUR PLACE IN IT.

### Cultural Immersion

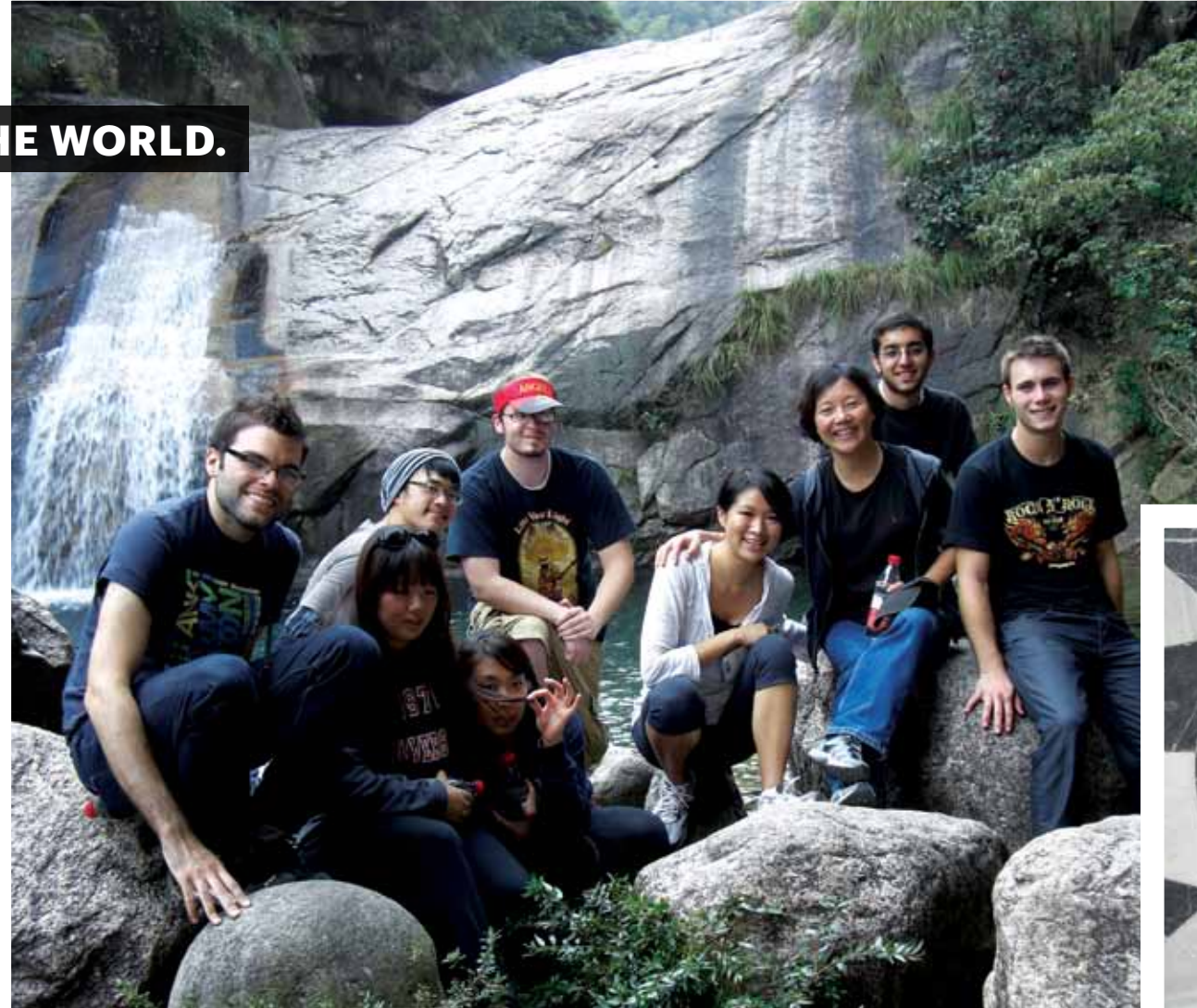
Through internships, coursework, housing options, co-curricular activities, and daily life, students will experience what it means to live abroad and participate fully in the culture of their host city. Though you might feel like a tourist or a visitor at first, by the end of your time abroad you'll feel like you're leaving your second family.

And when you do return home you'll also bring back connections—on the professional level (our Los Angeles Alumni Network, for example, is an amazing resource) and on the personal level with all the new long-lasting friendships you've made.



### Payback time.

Most of our programs provide students with free or reduced-cost admission to museums, plays, films, excursions, and other opportunities to experience firsthand the culture of their host city and country.



"From my first semester abroad, I really got to understand a new, independent layer of myself. In London, I felt as though I could tackle anything with a new sense of optimism and adventure. In my internship semester, the London glow seemed to become a more peaceful understanding, and I felt as though I had finally found a niche in the city where I could give back through the work we did. I also felt like I transcended the tourist part of a study abroad semester, and I actually was able to make my own British friends. It was great being able to connect with so many diverse people in the workplace, and learn so much about the art world (and the Brits), hands-on."

**Caitlin Fairfield, London, England**



### Where to?

Here's just a small sample of some of the side trips students have taken while living abroad.

- ▶ An AC Milan football (what we call soccer) match in Spain—gooooaaaalll!
- ▶ Stonehenge—How it got there, no one really knows, but one thing's for sure—you need to see it to believe it!
- ▶ The Galápagos—keep an eye out for the blue-footed booby.
- ▶ The Kawarau Bridge in Queenstown, New Zealand—who's ready to bungee?
- ▶ Machu Picchu, Peru—bring your walking shoes.
- ▶ An open-air opera in Padua, Italy—you might want to bring a seat cushion.



"When people ask me about my time in Spain, I invariably tell them it was a life-changing experience. It was the most challenging and exhilarating six months of my life. Living in Burgos is unlike living in any other Spanish city on an abroad program because there are so few English speakers. It is truly an immersion program. This makes for an intense and demanding time, but also for an enriching one. I would encourage American students who are looking for a realistic (not sugar-coated!) Spanish semester to consider this program—and study up on your Spanish beforehand!"

**Sarah Basch, Burgos, Spain**

## Not so fast.

Before you get on the plane, we'd like to share a few words about applying, financial aid, and, oh yeah, your passport.

### Applying

You must apply online at [bu.edu/abroad/apply](http://bu.edu/abroad/apply).

Please notify Boston University Study Abroad of any changes in your address, telephone number, or email that occur after you submit your application.

### Language Prep

If you have not taken a college-level course in the relevant language of the program to which you are applying, you must take a language placement exam at your school and submit the results with the application. You may also be required to meet with your language department for an assessment of your language skills.

### Passport

Rule #1: Don't forget it! Applicants who do not have a passport, or whose passport has expired, are strongly advised to apply for a passport at the time they apply to study abroad: <http://travel.state.gov/passport>. Students should not delay in submitting

their passport application, especially if a visa is required for the program(s) to which they have applied.

For complete application details, visit [bu.edu/abroad](http://bu.edu/abroad).

### Financial Aid Information

#### Boston University Students

Boston University students should apply for financial assistance as they usually do, through the Financial Assistance Office. Most forms of aid from the University may be used for study abroad during fall and spring semesters, and federal aid also applies. BU students are also eligible to apply for Boston University Study Abroad need-based grants and merit scholarships for the summer term.

#### Non-Boston University Students

Non-Boston University students are eligible to apply directly to Study Abroad for grants and scholarships. Non-Boston University students should also discuss their study abroad plans with the study abroad and financial aid advisors at their own schools.

### Boston University Study Abroad Grants and Scholarships

Two kinds of awards are offered through Study Abroad for summer term, fall semester, spring semester, and academic year programs: need-based grants or merit scholarships. These grants and scholarships are awarded from Study Abroad departmental funds. Grant amounts vary, depending on a student's circumstances, as reflected in the grant application materials, and on the availability of funds during a particular award cycle.

### Other Options

Even if students do not receive financial aid at their home institution, they may be eligible for federal grants, loans, and other forms of aid to attend Boston University Study Abroad programs. Interested students should inquire about financial aid before deciding they cannot afford to study abroad.

For more complete financial aid information, visit [bu.edu/abroad](http://bu.edu/abroad).



### What not to pack.

We're not talking about hair products or iPhones here.

- ▶ **The American-way-is-the-only-way attitude:** Trust us, it's not!
- ▶ **Cultural stereotypes:** Sure, people in your host country might talk, dress, or do things differently than you, but in the end, you're all a lot more alike than you think.
- ▶ **Inhibitions:** In other words, get out there and explore. Try new things, make new friends.
- ▶ **Food phobia:** So you might not like *everything* you eat, but don't let that stop you from trying everything—at least once!



### Words of wisdom

A little advice from the students who've been there, done that.

