

Opportunities for Study, Work and Volunteering Abroad

Graduate School and Fellowships Abroad

Do you want to continue your education abroad? There are many overseas graduate school options, as well as a variety of research and teaching grants for recent college graduates.

- [GradSchools.com](#) allows you to select which country you would like to do your schooling in and breaks it down by what the campuses have degree wise. It is a good base to start off of if you do not know where you would like to study.
- The [Boren Scholarship](#) awards \$30,000 to U.S. graduate students to add an international and language component to their studies
- The [Fulbright U.S. Student Program](#) offers the opportunity to do graduate-level research or course work in one country for one year. Awards include travel grants, full one-year research grants and teaching assistantships. For more information contact Suzanne Lentz (smlentz@stthomas.edu), campus Fulbright Programs Advisor.
- The [Marshall Scholarship](#) helps finance graduate study in the United Kingdom.
- The [George J. Mitchell Scholarship](#) aims to "connect future American leaders to Northern Ireland while fostering intellectual achievement, leadership, and a commitment to community and public service."
- The [Rhodes Scholarship](#) funds study at Oxford University, UK
- The [Samuel Huntington Public Service Award](#) awards a \$15,000 stipend for student to perform one year of public service in their chosen country.
- The [McNair Scholars Program](#) was created to increase higher education opportunities for low-income families, first generation families and/or underrepresented ethnicities in graduate education.
- [Humanity in Action](#) brings together international college and recent graduates to explore national histories of discrimination and resistance.

Teach Abroad

Teaching abroad provides a steady job while allowing you to immerse yourself into a culture, gain new perspectives, and explore another education system. Requirements vary by country, research carefully. Some programs/schools require TEFL/TESOL certification, while for others this is optional. For most programs you must pay for your flight, housing and program fees, for others, especially in Asia, these costs are covered. Knowledge of the local language is always a plus but typically not required.

Teaching Abroad Considerations:

- Is having the experience your main priority, or do you need a certain paycheck and to be able to save money?
- Do you want to live in a small town or a large metropolitan city?
- Would you rather teach in a private school or public school?
- Is it important for you to have other U.S. or English speaking teachers at your school?
- Do you want to create your own lesson plans or do you want them created for you?

TEFL Courses:

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- [TEFL Certificate](#)
- [TEFL Online Certificate](#)
- [TEFL or TESOL Online Certificate](#)

Teaching Abroad Organizations:

- [JET \(Japan Exchange and Teaching Programme\)](#)
- [Teach in Japan](#)
- [CIEE: Teach Abroad](#)
- [Footprints Recruiting](#)
- [Dave's ESL Café](#)
- [EPIK: English Program in Korea](#)
- [Park English](#)
- [InterExchange](#)
- [JoyJobs.com](#)

Work Abroad

Working abroad allows you to be abroad for varying lengths of time while working an unskilled job. Most programs make you pay for your round-trip airfare, but you earn enough to cover your food, housing, and other costs. Others charge a program fee. If you're lucky, you'll save money to travel afterwards.

Things to consider before working abroad

- If you work an unskilled job, you will be going to the country for the experience rather than a resume builder.
- Go with the mindset that you will likely not be adding much to your savings account.

Work Abroad Organizations:

- [GoAbroad.com](#)
- [BUNAC](#)
- [CCUSA](#)
- [JobMonkey.com](#)
- [InterExchange](#)

If you would like to work abroad for longer lengths of time or move to a certain region of the world to work, check out these websites:

- [The Riley Guide: Resources for International Job Opportunities](#)
- [Monster](#)
- [Dev Net Jobs: International Development Jobs](#)

Intern Abroad

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Interning abroad is a great way to get experience in your field of study while adding international experience to your résumé. Some internships may be unpaid.

- [GoAbroad.com](#)
- [BUNAC](#)
- [Transitions Abroad](#)
- [International Cooperative Education](#)
- [CDS International](#)
- [Foundation for Sustainable Development](#)

Volunteer Abroad

International volunteer opportunities are another great way to live abroad. You will be in charge of paying for your round-trip airfare. Some programs charge a program fee and then cover most of your meals and sometimes housing. Others provide your housing for your volunteer efforts. The lengths of time abroad vary, along with the type of work you'll be doing.

- [Global Volunteers](#) has programs in Ghana, Tanzania, South Africa, China, India, Vietnam, Cook Islands, Portugal, Italy, Poland, Hungary, Romania, Greece, USA, Mexico, Costa Rica, Jamaica, Ecuador and Peru.
- [Cross Cultural Solutions](#) has volunteer programs in Ghana, Morocco, South Africa, Tanzania, China, India, Thailand, Russia, Brazil, Costa Rica, Guatemala and Peru.
- [GoAbroad.com](#)
- [BUNAC](#)
- [Peace Corps](#)
- [Transitions Abroad](#)
- [World Teach](#) has programs to teach English as a volunteer in South America, Central America, Africa, Asia and the Pacific Islands.
- [InterExchange](#) has volunteer programs in Argentina, Australia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Galapagos Islands, Ghana, India and Peru.
- [CCUSA](#)
- [Habitat for Humanity: Global Village Volunteer Program](#)
- [Earthwatch Institute](#) sends volunteers all around the world on expeditions to help scientists as field research assistants.
- [Foundations for Sustainable Development](#)
- [Global Citizens Network](#)

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