

BLOG:

Since the class of 2022 largely didn't get to go abroad, here is a list of resources for creating your own abroad experience after graduation! There are so many short term (paid!) opportunities that it can seem overwhelming to know where to start. This blog will give an overview of what's out there and link to more resources you can explore.

OPPORTUNITIES: [Master List of Organizations](#)

Masters Programs:

A great way to study abroad is by pursuing a masters overseas. Many schools are much more affordable than higher education in America, and, since the university would sponsor your student visa, you won't have to worry about navigating that process. Many countries offer programs in English, and you can often find specialties you might not be able to pursue as easily in America depending on your major. While many fellowships can get you to this point, it can often be easier to get into these schools on your own merit compared to the competitiveness of a fellowship (ie Oxford on your own merit compared to Oxford with a Rhodes Scholarship).

Things to think about:

- What region of the world could bolster your learning? Is there an international connection you already see in your coursework?
- Is there a particular area of focus you want to study? What countries might specialize in that area?

- Is this program recognized in the USA? Check with employers/future higher education schools if you have any doubts.

Links: [Helpful link for finding masters programs in the UK by specialty](#)

Fellowships:

“There is a fellowship for every single demographic and every single specialty” - Dr. Spencer

There are hundreds of fellowships out there to help fund your post-grad experience. Some are identity-based or for a specific niche so keep that in mind when searching. Many fellowships allow applicants for quite awhile after graduation so don't be deterred if you didn't apply during your senior year - you still have time! Just note you will often need to be recommended by Tulane, so it is a good idea to discuss with the Office of Fellowship Advising before graduation if you are considering this for the future ([link to Tulane fellowship office](#)).

Links: [Fellowship search engine](#)

Teaching English:

There are both government and non-government sponsored English teaching programs abroad. This can be a great way to not only practice and build your foreign language skills by meeting locals but also engage in cultural exchange as you share your language and culture with your students. While these are often unpaid, you will be provided a stipend and sometimes housing but it varies by program so be sure to check what your specific program offers.

Volunteering:

Seeking to volunteer abroad can be really helpful to organizations doing important work to help communities. These programs are unpaid and sometimes even require you pay a small fee, so keep this in mind when considering the cost of your trip. These tend to also be very flexible on timing and offer a variety of options for both short-term and long-term trips.

Things to consider: Voluntourism can be really harmful to communities when done improperly. When researching programs, make sure to examine what the communities' needs are and how they are helped/hurt by the actions of these programs. It is important to volunteer in a way that is sustainable and puts the community needs over the needs of any foreigners coming in to help.

Leading Abroad Trips:

If you didn't get to go on an abroad program there is no reason you can't lead one! Build leadership experience while also traveling with a group of high school or college-age students. These trips are often run through schools or programs, so you often won't be responsible for securing your own visas and logistics will be sorted out for you by the provider.

Going on Abroad Trips:

If you really wanted the classic cohort undergrad abroad experience, worry not! There are many programs that offer similar trips for young adults after college focusing on a range of topics from volunteering to language practice, all focusing on immersion and cultural exchange supported by program staff.

Other:

Work away:

Work for room and board while traveling. Most opportunities are short-term, and you can have flexibility over where you go and some control over what you do. Workaway can be great for scoping out locations for grad school or other abroad opportunities before committing to a longer period of time. You don't truly know what you are walking into until you get there, so the opportunities could be hit or miss.

Link: <https://www.workaway.info/>

Au pair:

An au pair is like a live-in nanny and is a popular way to work abroad for either a summer or up to a year. These positions don't tend to be well-paid but you do get food, housing, and a small stipend. Au pair visas sometimes require you to take a full-time language course to fulfill the requirements; therefore, you need to consider additional cost and scheduling conflicts associated with that requirement.

Link: <https://www.aupairworld.com/en>

MORE THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

The most important question when embarking on this journey is: **What do you want to get out of the experience, and which avenue will best meet your goals?**

When planning time abroad is it essential to think about 3 major things:

1. Visas - how long are you planning to stay? Who can sponsor you? What are the requirements for the country you are planning to travel to?

2. Cost - consider what your budget will allow and if there are any funding opportunities from grants/fellowships/etc. If you plan to work abroad make sure to plan ahead and ensure your visa allows for this. Flights are often not covered so that is another personal expense you will need to cover.
3. Housing - where will you live? Is this provided or another cost to consider?

Professional benefits:

While it can seem scary to not go straight into the workforce, going abroad can actually provide many important skills that employers look for and is a great talking point in interviews. Not only will you build important skills for navigating life, but many have direct applications to essential soft skills that will help your career as well.

1. International experience
 - a. In a globalized world, more and more employers are seeking employees that are comfortable moving abroad. Showing this willingness and having experience makes you a more competitive hire.
2. Resilience
 - a. Given everything we have been through in undergrad, we all probably have this skill quite developed... But that being said, going abroad will continue to be a challenge in the future as we navigate the world with COVID-19. Resilience will continue to be a key skill to nurture and build.
3. Independence

- a. Moving away from your family and familiar life requires a high level of independence. Living on your own in a new city will push you out of your comfort zone and foster independence.
4. Willingness to seek out challenges
- a. Taking a year to pursue a passion comes with many obstacles that you will face. Overcoming challenges tests the bounds of what you think you can do and develops new skills (also this is always an interview question).

Just because you may have missed the opportunity to study abroad in undergrad doesn't mean the world isn't at your feet at graduation, and I hope you take advantage of it!

For more help you can schedule an appointment with [someone in the study abroad office.](#)

Fellowship Opportunities Master List

Alexander von Humboldt Foundation German Chancellor Fellowship: <http://www.humboldt-foundation.de/web/german-chancellor-fellowship.html>

Fellowship provides one year of funding for graduates to pursue research-based, self-developed projects at host organizations in Germany.

Alfa Fellowship: <https://alfafellowship.org/>

Professional Development program in Russia including placement at institutions and language training.

American India Foundation (AIF)/William J. Clinton Fellowship for Service: <https://aif.org/fellowship/>

10-month volunteer service program in India with placement in developmental organizations to work on scalable and sustainable development projects in education, livelihoods, and public health.

American-Scandinavian Foundation Award: <http://www.amscan.org/fellowships-and-grants/fellowshipsgrants-to-study-in-scandinavia/>

One-year fellowships and grants to pursue research, study or creative arts projects in one or more Scandinavian country.

Anatolia College Post-Graduate Fellowship Program: <http://www.collegecounseling.gr/student-enrichment/anatolia-fellow-program>

One-year postgraduate funding for supporting students at Anatolia College in Greece.

Catholic Relief Services International Development Fellows Program (IDFP):

<https://www.crs.org/about/careers/fellowships>

12-month professional development program in international relief and development work through leading and supporting CRS overseas projects.

Edmund Hillary Fellowship: <https://www.ehf.org/>

Provides opportunities for obtaining the Global Impact Visa in New Zealand for entrepreneurs, investors and startup teams with a platform to incubate global impact ventures.

Israel Government Fellows (IGF): <https://www.igf.org.il/>

10-month long program that places Jewish university graduates at internships in Israeli Government ministries, NGO's, and leading policy/research organizations in Jerusalem.

Luce Scholars Program: <https://www.hluce.org/programs/luce-scholars/>

Provides one year of stipends, language training, and individualized professional placement in Asia for college seniors, graduate students, and young professionals who have had limited exposure to Asia.

Middle East and North Africa Regional (MENAR) Fellowship Program: <http://www.menarprogram.org/>

One-year fellowship for post-graduates at non-profit organizations and businesses in the Middle East and North Africa.

Princeton in Africa: <https://www.princetoninafrica.org/>

12-month long fellowship with service/internship placements at partner organizations across the African continent.

Princeton in Asia: <http://piaweb.princeton.edu/>

12-month long fellowship with service/internship placements at partner organizations in 22 countries and regions throughout Asia.

Princeton in Latin America: <https://www.pila-princeton.org/>

12-month long fellowship with service/internship placements at partner organizations in Latin America and the Caribbean.

Robert Bosch Foundation Fellowship Program: <https://www.bosch-stiftung.de/en/project/robert-bosch-foundation-fellowship-program>

11-month fellowship program in Germany to participate in language training, professional seminars, and two practical phases in the public and/or private sector related to transatlantic issues.

Volunteer in Asia Global Community Fellowship: <https://viaprograms.org/expand-your-boundaries/global-community-fellowship/>

13-15 month program with placement at NGOs, schools, universities, and social enterprises in Hong Kong, Indonesia, Myanmar, Thailand, and Vietnam to support community development and youth education programs.

Search Engine for more fellowship opportunities: <https://apps.grad.illinois.edu/fellowship-finder/>

Select unrestricted eligibility to see opportunities for all students.

Government-Sponsored English Teaching Programmes

China Education Initiative: <http://www.tfchina.org/>

2 year teaching placement in China.

English Program in Korea (EPIK): <https://www.epik.go.kr:8080/index.do>

Provides one year renewable contracts to teach English in public schools throughout Korea.

Japan Exchange and Teaching Program (JET): <https://jetprogramusa.org/>

Provides employment as an English Assistant Language Teacher or Coordinator for International Relations in Japan.

North American Language and Culture Assistants in Spain:

<https://www.educacionyfp.gob.es/eeuu/convocatorias-programas/convocatorias-eeuu/nalcap.html>

Provides opportunities to act as support to English language teachers in Spain for a full academic year.

Teaching Assistant Program in France: <http://frenchhighereducation.org/teaching-assistant-program>

Provides opportunities for 7-month long English teaching positions at public schools across France and overseas departments of France.

Teach and Learn with Georgia: <http://www.tlg.gov.ge/index.php?lang=eng>

Provides opportunities for native English, French, Italian and German language speakers to co-teach in public schools throughout Georgia.

US Teaching Assistantships at Austrian Secondary Schools: <https://www.usta-austria.at/site/home>

Partnership between Fulbright Austria and the Austrian Federal Ministry of Education, Science, and Research to provide opportunities to teach English in secondary schools across Austria.

Other Teach Abroad Programmes

ACLE: <https://www.acle.org/>

English teaching in Italy. Also offers positions in summer camps.

AEON Japan: <https://www.aeonet.com/>

English language instruction corporation in Japan.

Appalachians Abroad Teach in China: <https://www.marshall.edu/gochina/>

One-year program to teach English in public and private schools and universities throughout China.

Central European Teaching Program (CETP): <https://www.cetp.info/>

Teacher recruitment organization for native English speakers to teach in schools across Hungary and Romania.

China Education Association for International Exchange (CEAIE):

<http://en.ceaie.edu.cn/teach?columnid=35>

10 month teaching contract in schools across China.

CIEE: <https://www.ciee.org/go-abroad/work/teach-english-abroad>

Provides English teaching opportunities in Chile, China, Czech Republic, Hungary, Morocco, Portugal, South Korea, Spain, Thailand, and Vietnam.

CII Teach Argentina: [http://ecolonias.com/assets/cii-teach-argentina-general-\(ma\).pdf](http://ecolonias.com/assets/cii-teach-argentina-general-(ma).pdf)

Placement as a Culture and Language Facilitator at schools or Camp Counsellor at English Immersion Camps for three to twelve months in Argentina.

HESSE International Education Group: <http://www.hesseeducation.com/>

Provides English teaching positions in Taiwan, China, Korea, and Singapore.

Meddeas: <https://www.meddeas.com/language-assistants/>

Teach in a Spanish private school for 1 year.

Peace Corps: <https://www.peacecorps.gov/>

2 year commitment. Many jobs other than teaching are offered as well.

Teach Thailand Corps: <http://www.americanthaifoundation.org/teach-thailand-corps>

English Teaching in Thai secondary schools.

Volunteer Opportunities

Child Family Health International: <https://www.cfhi.org/>
Public health volunteer programs in 11 different countries around the world.

Conservation Volunteers: <https://conservationvolunteers.com.au/>
Short-term projects in Australia and New Zealand to protect habitats and promote ecotourism.

Earth Watch Institute: <https://earthwatch.org/>
Opportunities to join scientists on environmental research expeditions abroad.

Projects Abroad: <https://www.projects-abroad.org/volunteer-abroad/>
Programs with community members and organizations around the world to achieve UN Sustainable Development Goals.

United Planet: <https://www.unitedplanet.org/>
Operating in over 40 countries, United Planet programs include Short Term Quests (1 to 12 weeks) and Long-Term Quests (6 months to 1 year).

World Endeavors: <https://www.worldendeavors.com/volunteer-abroad>
Immersive service programs in Africa, the Americas, Asia and Oceania.

Gap Year Programs - Leadership

Academy at Watkinson: <https://watkinson.org/academy/>
Gap year program in London, Cambodia, Mexico, and the Dominican Republic.

Adventures Cross Country: <https://www.adventurescrosscountry.com/>
Semester long gap programs across the world focused on 5 themes: Public Health, Literacy & Education, Urbanization and the Movement of People, Environment & Conservation, and Microfinance & Economic Growth. ARCC offers gap semesters in Centro-Caribbean (Cuba, Panama, Costa Rica, Belize), East Africa (Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania), Pacific Islands (Fiji, Sumatra, Bali), South America (Peru, Ecuador, Patagonia), Southeast Asia (Vietnam, Cambodia, Thailand).

Amigos de las Américas: <https://amigosinternational.org/>

Community service and immersion programs in Latin America. Gap Year Volunteers are placed in partnerships and live with host families in small communities in Nicaragua. Serve as an intern with local development organizations and collaborate with community leaders to carry out sustainable development projects.

Aspire by API - <https://www.aspirebyapi.com>

Academic Programs International (API) offers gap year and high school travel in Argentina, France, Ireland, Italy, and Spain. Language and cultural immersion programs provide opportunities to get involved with the local community, earn college credits, and develop relevant global skills.

Carpe Diem International Education: <https://www.carpediemeducation.org>

Carpe Diem Education offers 3-month and yearlong international programs with college-credit to 8 distinct regions of the world. All programs are designed to inspire growth and transformation through experiential education, community, and intercultural exchange. Travel semesters focus on community service, adventure travel, language study, home stays, and authentic cultural exchange.

Center for Interim Programs: <https://www.interimprograms.com>

The Center for Interim Programs is a gap year consulting service helping young people experience vetted and meaningful gap year placements worldwide. Since its inception in 1980 as the first organization on its kind in the United States, Interim has designed creative gap year opportunities for over 6,000 students. They have built relationships with organizations worldwide and refer to a database of over 6,000 program opportunities.

CIEE: <https://www.ciee.org/hsabroad>

A Gap Year Abroad with CIEE offers college-bound graduates an opportunity to acquire a broader global perspective, foster independence, and gain self-knowledge. Programs offered in Europe and Asia Pacific in 10 countries: Denmark, France, Japan, United Kingdom, Sweden, Spain, Norway, Italy, Germany, and Ireland.

Dragons: <https://www.wheretherebedragons.com/students/find-your-adventure/>

Where There Be Dragons runs small-group learning adventures in Asia, Latin American, the Middle East, and Africa. Focuses on responsible travel and creating genuine connections with other cultures through service, homestays, language study, and wilderness exploration.

Experiment in International Living: <https://www.experiment.org/abroad-destinations/>

Summer program for high school students that involves direct engagement with a host community through language study, community service, travel, ecology, the arts, cooking, photography, theater, or

outdoor adventure. Programs offered in 13 countries including Peru, Ghana, Japan, Jordan, France, and Croatia.

Global Citizen Year: <https://www.globalcitizenyear.org/fellowship/>

High School Graduates live and work alongside the global majority in Brazil, Ecuador, or India and spend a year living with a family and apprenticing to local efforts advancing education, health, and sustainability.

International Studies Abroad: <https://www.studiesabroad.com/programfinder?program=Gap>

ISA Gap Year Programs in over 14 countries including Chile, France, New Zealand, Morocco, and Spain.

Kroka Expeditions: <https://kroka.org/about/hiring/wilderness-leader/>

Kroka is committed to conscious living and compassionate service through wilderness adventure, community living, farming, and the practice of traditional and indigenous skills. Kroka offers a 3 month fall semester and a 5 month winter semester.

Outward Bound: <https://www.outwardbound.org/expeditions/gap-year-semester-courses/>

Courses offered in the United States and in Central and South America for 30 to 85 days.

Rustic Pathways: <https://rusticpathways.com/gap-year/programs>

Programs ranging from 1 to 9 months focus on service, adventure, and life skills. Programs offered in South America and Pacific Islands.

The Leap: <https://www.theleap.co.uk/gap-year/>

Volunteering, internships, summer gap, and equine placements from 6-10 weeks across Africa, Asia, and South America.

International Student Travel Organizations - Participant

African & Asia Venture, Ltd.: <https://www.aventure.co.uk/>

Programs for 18-25 year olds offered in Kenya, Uganda, India, Nepal, Thailand, China, Malawi, South Africa, Tanzania. Programs offer group-based full-immersion projects in rural communities, where volunteers live the way the locals live, and after which they have a period of independent travel time to go wherever they wish, all supported by their dedicated, 24/7, in-country management teams.

Kibbutz Volunteer, Israel: <https://kibbutzvolunteers.org.il/>

Live firsthand as part of a socialist community where all work, property, and profit is shared equally among members. Volunteer for between 2 and 12 months.

Maximo Nivel: <https://maximonivel.com/>

International Volunteer and Internship program, Native Spanish Immersion Program, TEFL/TESOL course and Adventure and Culture Program in Guatemala, Peru, and Cost Rica. Programs range from 1 week to 6 months.

National Outdoor Leadership School (NOLS): <http://www.nols.edu/>

Wilderness expeditions, teachout outdoors skills, environmental ethics in Australia, Patagonia, India, and New Zealand. Courses range from 10 days to a full academic year.

Program Providers and Search Engines

InterExchange Work Abroad: <https://www.interexchange.org/working-abroad/>

Employment and volunteer programs in 13 countries around the world.

Greenheart Travel: <https://greenhearttravel.org/programs/adult/work>

Work and travel programs in Argentina, Australia, Ireland, New Zealand, and Thailand.

BUNAC: <https://www.bunac.org/usa/work-abroad>

Work abroad programs in Canada, Australia, New Zealand or Ireland.

Cultural Vistas: <https://culturalvistas.org/our-programs/>

Exchange programs focused on career exploration, civic engagement, leadership development, and professional training.

Transitions Abroad: <https://www.transitionsabroad.com/>

Resources and advice for working overseas.

Overseas Jobs: <https://www.overseasjobs.com/>

Search engine for jobs in companies around the world.

Teach Away: <https://www.teachaway.com/>

Programs with teaching and educational administration positions in public and private schools overseas.

GoinGlobal: <http://www.goinglobal.com/>

International and domestic job search engine.