



STUDY ABROAD
GAP Year,
and
INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE
WORKSHOP

BENEFITS OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION, STUDY ABROAD, AND GAP YEAR EXPERIENCES



- **IMPROVED SELF-CONFIDENCE**
 - **96%** OF STUDENTS CLAIMED INCREASED SELF-CONFIDENCE ATTRIBUTED TO STUDY ABROAD.
- **GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE** ➡ **GREATER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES** ➡ **HIGHER SALARIES**
 - **97%** OF STUDENTS WHO STUDIED ABROAD FOUND EMPLOYMENT WITHIN 12 MONTHS OF GRADUATION, COMPARED WITH 49% OF GRADUATES WITHOUT THIS EXPERIENCE.
 - **25%** HIGHER STARTING SALARIES THAN COLLEGE GRADUATES WHO DO NOT STUDY ABROAD
- **CULTURAL IMMERSION**
 - **88%** OF STUDENTS DISCOVERED REINFORCED COMMITMENT TO FOREIGN LANGUAGE STUDY.
- **GPA IMPROVEMENT**
 - **100%** IMPROVEMENT. AS STUDENTS NEAR THE END OF THEIR UNDERGRADUATE CAREER, THEIR GPA TENDS TO INCREASE. ACCORDING TO A GEORGIA STUDY, STUDENTS WHO STUDIED ABROAD DISCOVERED AN INCREASE AT A RATE TWICE AS HIGH AS THOUGH WHO HAD NOT.



APPLICATION BENEFITS TO ATTENDING AN INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE

- **Financial**

- Average UK COST \$8,600-\$31,000
- Many 3 year Programs compared with 4 years for the U.S.

- **Shared systems- SAT, AP tests, Common APP**

- Canada
- CHINA
- ENGLAND
- France
- Germany
- Ireland
- ITALY
- Japan
- Spain
- SWITZERLAND
- UNITED KINGDOM





VISITOR Panel

- **Casey Cullen**- Prince Edward Island, Canada
- **Linda Devore**- P.A. State University Admissions Representative
- **Ben Hopkinson**- Attending University of Oxford in the Fall
- **Carly Lurier**- LEAPNOW: Semester 1- India and Sri Lanka Semester 2- Palau, Philippines and Hawaii
- **Andrew McIntyre**- University of Glasgow



Resources

- [HTTPS://WWW.IIE.ORG/](https://www.iie.org/)
- [HTTP://STUDYABROAD.UCMERCED.EDU/STUDY-ABROAD-STATISTICS/STATISTICS-STUDY-ABROAD](http://studyabroad.ucmerced.edu/study-abroad-statistics/statistics-study-abroad)
- [HTTPS://WWW.USNEWS.COM/EDUCATION/BEST-GLOBAL-UNIVERSITIES/ARTICLES/2016-10-24/COLLEGE-COSTS-DRIVE-US-STUDENTS-TO-BRITISH-UNIVERSITIES](https://www.usnews.com/education/best-global-universities/articles/2016-10-24/college-costs-drive-us-students-to-british-universities)
- [HTTP://WWW.AMERICANGAP.ORG/](http://www.americangap.org/)

