

Further Study Abroad Opportunities

Please note that this list includes only a few of the many study and/or work abroad opportunities that are available. These organizations should not be considered as endorsed by North Star Rotary Youth Exchange.

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships

The Rotary Foundation's oldest and best-known program was founded in 1947. Since then, more than 40,000 men and women from about 100 nations have studied abroad under its auspices. Today it is one of the world's largest privately funded international scholarships programs.

The purpose of the Ambassadorial Scholarships program is to further international understanding and friendly relations among people of different countries and geographical areas. The program sponsors academic year scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students as well as for qualified professionals pursuing vocational studies. While abroad, scholars serve as goodwill ambassadors to the host country and give presentations about their homelands to Rotary clubs and other groups. Upon returning home, scholars share with Rotarians and others the experiences that led to a greater understanding of their host country.

<http://www.rotary.org/en/studentsandyouth/EducationalPrograms/AmbassadorialScholarships/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

Rotary Peace Fellows are leaders promoting national and international cooperation, peace, and the successful resolution of conflict throughout their lives, in their careers, and through service activities. Fellows can earn either a master's degree in international relations, public administration, sustainable development, peace studies, conflict resolution, or a related field, or a professional development certificate in peace and conflict resolution.

<http://www.rotary.org/en/StudentsAndYouth/EducationalPrograms/RotaryCentersForInternationalStudies/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

The **Rotary Foundation's Group Study Exchange (GSE)** program is a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for businesspeople and professionals between the ages of 25 and 40 who are in the early stages of their careers. The program provides travel grants for teams to exchange visits in paired areas of different countries. For four to six weeks, team members experience the host country's culture and institutions, observe how their vocations are practiced abroad, develop personal and professional relationships, and exchange ideas.

In a typical four-week tour, applicants participate in five full days of vocational visits, 15 to 20 club presentations, 10 to 15 formal visits and social events, two to three days at the district conference, three to four hours per day of cultural and site tours, and three to four hours per day of free time with host families.

For each team member, the Foundation provides the most economical round-trip airline ticket between the home and host countries. Rotarians in the host area provide for meals, lodging, and group travel within their district.

<http://www.rotary.org/en/serviceandfellowship/fellowship/groupstudyExchange/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

Rotary Foundation Global Grants can be used to fund scholarships with sustainable, high-impact outcomes in one of Rotary's six areas of focus: peace and conflict prevention/resolution, disease prevention and treatment, water and sanitation, maternal and child health, basic education and literacy, economic and community development.

You must submit a completed scholarship application form to a Rotary club in the area of your legal or permanent residence or place of full-time study or employment. Only Rotary clubs in pilot districts will be participating in Rotary Foundation Global Grants. Please check with the local club to determine the availability of scholarships and application deadlines.

http://www.rotary.org/en/members/runningadistrict/futurevisionpilotprogram/pages/fv_global_grants.aspx

AmeriCorps VISTA VISTA members commit to serve full-time for a year at a nonprofit organization or local government agency, working to fight illiteracy, improve health services, create businesses, strengthen community groups, and much more. With passion, commitment, and hard work, VISTA members create or expand programs designed to bring individuals and communities out of poverty.

<http://www.americorps.gov/>

Engage is a network of returned study abroad students, study abroad programs, and communities working collectively to link social movements around the world.

www.engagetheworld.org

Frontiers – The Interdisciplinary Journal of Study Abroad

The purpose of *Frontiers* is to publish thought-provoking research articles, insightful essays, and concise book reviews that may provide the profession of study abroad an intellectual charge, document some of the best thinking and innovative programming in the field, create an additional forum for dialogue among colleagues in international education, and ultimately enrich our perspectives and bring greater meaning to our work.

<http://www.frontiersjournal.com/>

Glimpse Abroad Glimpse is a worldwide program powered by Matador and supported in part by the National Geographic Society. Glimpse connects young writers, journalists, photographers, and filmmakers with professional editors who help them develop their

storytelling voice and media skills. Glimpse believes that independent travelers, particularly those who spend significant time abroad, have a unique and often overlooked opportunity to effect positive change around the world. This begins with bearing witness to place, people, culture, and especially the stories and struggles that might otherwise go unrecorded.

<http://www.glimpse.org>

Transitions Abroad International Jobs, Internships abroad, teaching English, Volunteer abroad, Short-term work abroad.

<http://www.transitionsabroad.com/>

World Learning provides education, exchange, and development programs that cultivate the global leadership and social innovation needed in a shrinking world. Our comprehensive portfolio of programs is enhanced by a worldwide network of hundreds of thousands of alumni, staff, partners, and friends, including Peace Corps founder Sargent Shriver and Nobel Peace Prize winners Wangari Maathai and Jody Williams.

<http://www.worldlearning.org/index.html>

DIS – Danish Institute for Study Abroad is a government-recognized, high-quality study abroad program established in 1959 with over 1500 students coming each year. All DIS courses and academic programs are intellectually stimulating and challenging – and are all taught in English. But at DIS, study abroad is not solely about academics, it is about providing a one-off-a-kind opportunity for students to experience new situations and build and develop leadership skills for a globalized world.

<http://www.dis.dk/study-abroad-dis/>

Peace Corps traces its roots and mission to 1960, when then Senator John F. Kennedy challenged students at the University of Michigan to serve their country in the cause of peace by living and working in developing countries. Today, Peace Corps Volunteers work in the following areas: education, youth and community development, health, business and information and communications technology, agriculture, and environment.

<http://www.peacecorps.gov/>

Teach for America recruits recent college graduates of all majors and career interests and working professionals to commit two years to teach in urban and rural public schools and invests in the training and professional development necessary to ensure their success as teachers in the nation's highest-poverty communities.

<http://www.teachforamerica.org/>

Boren Fellowships

Boren Fellowships provide up to \$30,000 to U.S. graduate students to add an important international and language component to their graduate education through specialization in area study, language study, or increased language proficiency. Boren Fellowships are funded by the National Security Education Program (NSEP), which focuses on geographic areas, languages, and fields of study deemed critical to U.S. national security. For more information, visit:

http://www.borenawards.org/boren_fellowship

Fulbright Program

The Fulbright Program is the largest U.S. international exchange program offering opportunities for students, scholars, and professionals to undertake international graduate study, advanced research, university teaching, and teaching in elementary and secondary schools worldwide.

<http://us.fulbrightonline.org/home.html>

Rhodes Scholarships

Rhodes Scholarships enable outstanding students to pursue a second degree from the University of Oxford. For more information see:

<http://www.rhodesscholar.org/>

US-Ireland Alliance Fellowship

The George J. Mitchell Scholarship is a national post-graduate fellowship awarded for one year of study at an institution of higher learning in Ireland or Northern Ireland.

<http://www.us-irelandalliance.org/wmepage.cfm?parm1=34>

Watson Fellowship

This is a one year grant for independent study and travel outside the U.S. awarded to graduating college seniors nominated by participating institutions.

<http://www.watsonfellowship.org/site/index.html>

Working World: Careers in International Education, Exchange, and Development by Sherry Mueller and Mark Overmann. This book has information on applying for internships, government jobs, nonprofit jobs, and volunteer opportunities in these fields. It is a tremendous resource for the job seeker, and is targeted for college graduates.