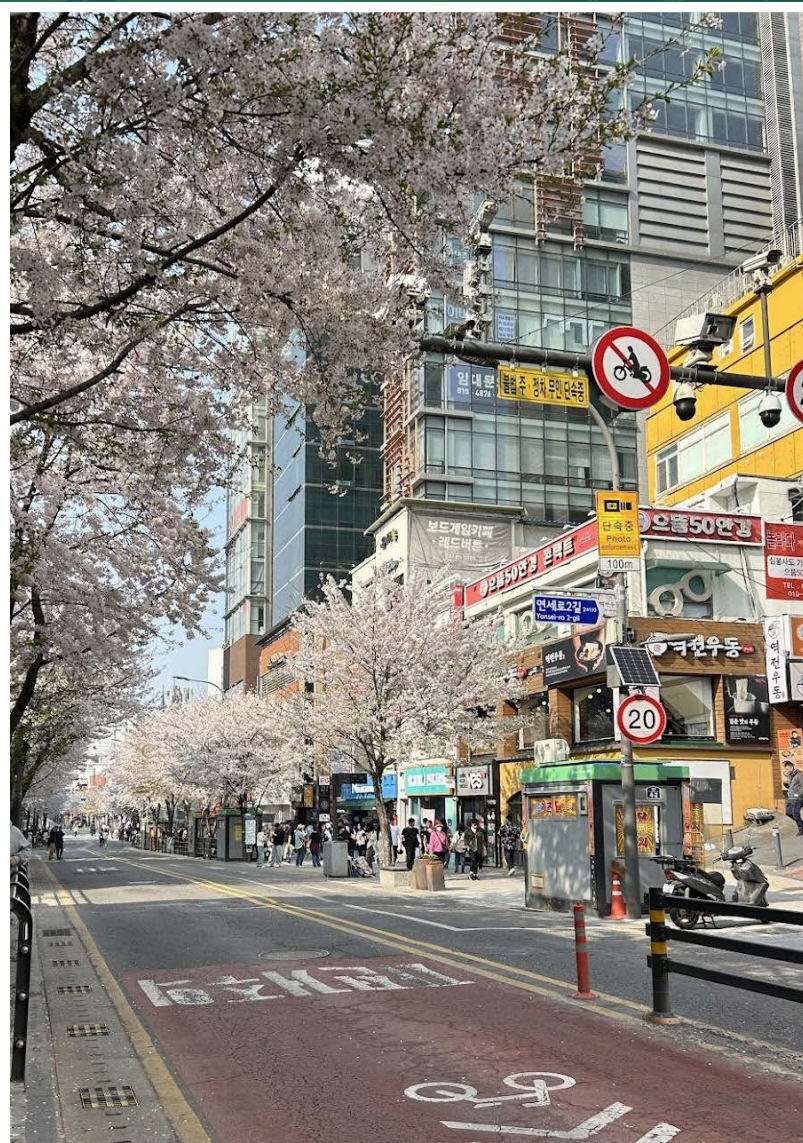


STUDY ABROAD NEWSLETTER



Study
Abroad

MAY 2025



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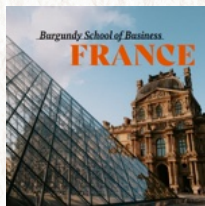
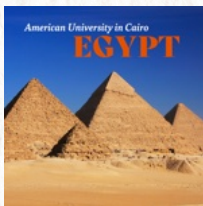
Faculty-Led Programs



Study Abroad Programs

Bilateral Exchange Programs

University of the Pacific has agreements with several universities abroad. These are exchange programs, where a Pacific student enrolls at a foreign university, and one of their students comes to Pacific. These programs offer a deeply immersive experience in the host country.



Provider Programs

Pacific partners with four organizations, each offering a wide range of international programs and destinations. They provide an additional layer of support and assistance to students on their programs as well as a large number of scholarships.

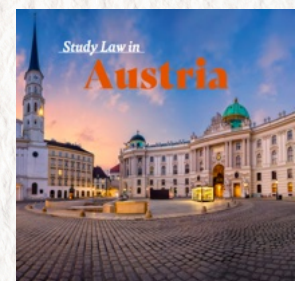


Short Term Faculty-Led Programs

Pacific offers several short-term programs for unit credit. Most take place during the summer and are led by a Pacific faculty member. Often these programs have a linguistic or departmental focus.

Currently offered

- Study Law in Austria (undergraduate & graduate students)
- Study Social Change in Dublin (graduate students)





Steps to Study Abroad

Look through options

Appointment with Study Abroad Peer Advisor

Appointment with Study Abroad Director

Scholarships



Steps for Applying to Study Abroad

Look through your options

- Go to MyPacific and look through the available programs, locations we offer, and requirements for Pacific and different providers.
 - Consider
 - When would you want to go abroad & for how long? Semester (Spring/Fall), year-long?
 - Requirement/courses, which would you like to complete abroad?
 - Language, interested in an intensive language track or courses in your native language
 - Financial aid, how to finance your journey & what scholarships can you apply for
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Make an appointment with a Student Ambassador

Student Ambassadors will give you the general overview of the requirements needed and can give advice based on their experience abroad. Our current ambassadors will be graduating but you can still schedule a meeting or see them in the office up to MAY 9th. Learn about their study abroad journeys on page 15.

Make an appointment with the Director

Once you understand the application process and know which program you would like to go with talk with Witold Wolny, the Director of Global Education, so that you can start your program's application process

Keep in mind!

There are 2 application process, one for University of the Pacific and the other with the chosen program. They may have separate deadlines, required documents, and requirements

Book meeting with PEER ADVISOR or DIRECTOR here: [Study Abroad Advising](#)

Booking page is also in our Instagram bio, @pacific.abroad

Scholarship

You are charged Pacific's tuition plus a \$150 study abroad administrative fee. All financial aid and/or scholarships that you receive towards your Pacific tuition can be applied towards study abroad.

Besides general tuition students must also cover their personal expenses:

- Housing & Meals (unless otherwise covered)
- Airfare and travel expenses
- Excursions and personal travel
- School supplies, fees and textbooks
- Passport and visa fees
- Health insurance

MyPacific Scholarships

Make sure to check our MyPacific 'Financing Your Study Abroad Program' page to see more scholarships. Look at our Instagram, @pacific.abroad, for deadlines and general information.

Summer & Spring 2026 Study Abroad Applications Now Open

**Apply by
September 24**

Schedule a meeting
with an advisor!





Monthly Picks

Dish of the Month

Country of the Month

Open to readers



Dish of the Month

Hummus



Photo Credit: Masala

Hummus is a widely loved Middle Eastern dip that is usually eaten with vegetables or pita chips. The primary ingredient is chickpeas that are blended with tahini, lemon juice, and garlic



Photo Credit: The Kitchen

Fun Fact: Hummus can be traced back to ancient Egypt and Mesopotamia! (Flavor Insider)

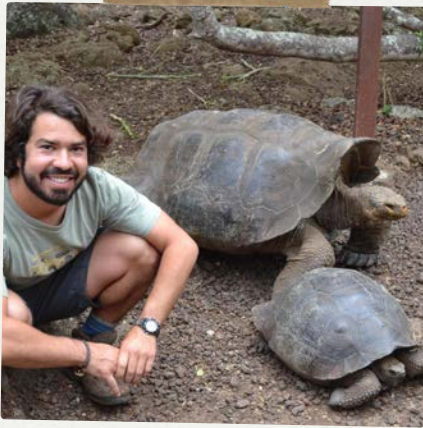


Photo Credit: Julie Blanner

"The earliest traces of hummus can be found in the Fertile Crescent, a region encompassing present-day Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, and Palestine" (Flavor Insider).

Location of the Month

Ecuador



In the Northern part of South America, Ecuador is known for its biodiversity and 4 eco-regions: Andean Mountains, Amazon Rainforest, Galapagos Islands, and the coastal plains

Fun Fact: Find yourself in the middle of the Earth by standing on the equator!



Most of the IES Ecuadorian programs are located in Quito, but they also have one in the Galapagos Islands. Their programs focus on ecology, environmental studies, and Ecuadorian culture & history.

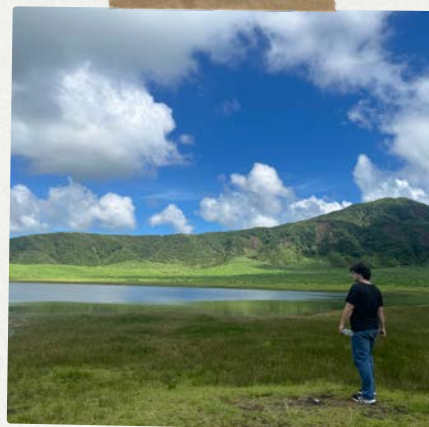
RECOMMENDED

Open to *Readers*



Give us recommendations for dishes, countries, and other sections we can add to our newsletter

Follow and send recommendations to our Instagram!
[@pacific.abroad](https://www.instagram.com/pacific.abroad)



If you have studied/traveled abroad feel free to send us picture of those locations, so that we can show them here!



Spotlight Series

CURRENT UOP STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

Salvador Reyes IV

STUDY ABROAD UOP ALUMNI

Sarah Hess





Salvador Reyes IV

Current Study Abroad Student

Studied abroad in Taipei, Taiwan Spring 2025

Partner Program: CIEE

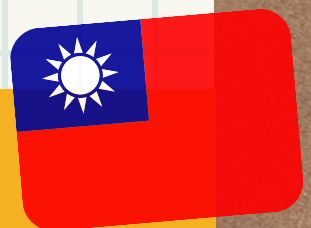


Why did you choose to study abroad

I chose to study abroad in Taiwan because of its rich cultural heritage, welcoming community, and dynamic role in global affairs. Immersing myself here has deepened my understanding of language, identity, and international cooperation. This journey is not only expanding my worldview, it's helping me become a more compassionate, informed, and driven global citizen.

CIEE Taiwan Program with:

National Taiwan Normal University
National Taiwan University
Arizona State University Online



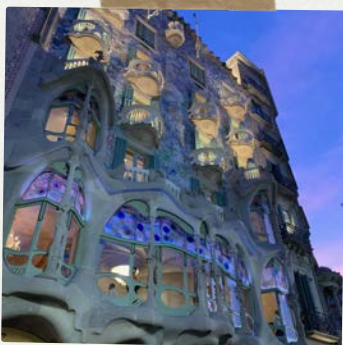


Sarah Hess

Study Abroad Alumni

Studied abroad in Barcelona, Spain Fall 2019

Partner Program: IES Abroad

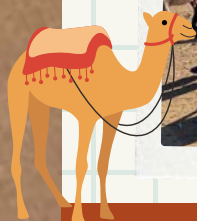
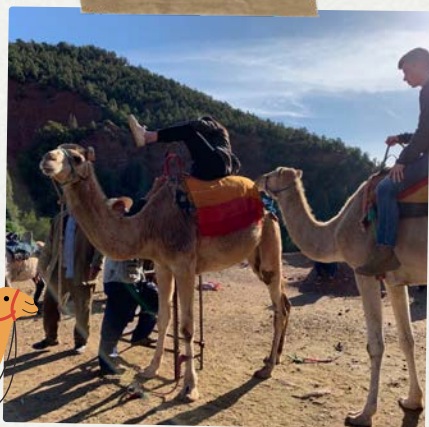


What were some of your favorite memoies abroad?

Visiting 8 countries, becoming fluent in Spanish, riding a camel in Morocco, Africa, and making best friends that I still talk with to this day

Have you returned to Spain?

My friends and I are planning on returning in 2029, for the 10-year mark!



RECOMMENDATIONS

Studying abroad was such a transformative experience, and I would recommend it to any undergraduate student who is itching to get another perspective on the world. Just do it! If you have any further questions, feel free to reach out at @sarah.emi_!



Meet the Team

DIRECTOR OF GLOBAL EDUCATION:
Witold Wolny

STUDY ABROAD STUDENT AMBASSADORS:
Jennifer Guzman
Jose Solis





Witold Wolny

Director of Global Education

Where abroad have you been?

I've traveled to nearly 40 countries, including most European nations as well as destinations in Asia, Africa, and South America. I'm originally from Silesia, Poland, studied abroad in Sweden, and lived, for over 20 years, in Spain

What was one of your favorite things to eat abroad?

When I travel, I usually ask locals—or even the waiter—what the best local dish is, and then I try it. If I had to choose one, I'd say Spanish tapas. These small appetizer dishes let you sample several flavors at once, making the dining experience even more fun



- Tabling at 'Admitted Students Day.' We had
- many incoming freshmen
- interested in studying abroad

Recommendations

If you enjoy magic and breathtaking natural landscapes, I highly recommend visiting Iceland.





Jennifer Guzman

Student Study Abroad Ambassador

*Studied abroad in Tokyo, Japan Spring '24
Bilateral Exchange: Waseda University*

What was your favorite memory abroad?

One of my favorite memories in Japan was traveling in Kyoto. It was a relaxing city, compared to Tokyo & Osaka, and I enjoyed walking around Arashiyama Bamboo Forest.



What was your favorite thing to eat?

In July, I was able to go to Hiroshima and I tried okonomiyaki for the first time. If I go back, I want to try the Osaka version and compare them!



Recommendations



@designfesta



<https://designfesta.com/>

If you are a fan of mixed media and art, I recommend going to Design Festa. It's the largest art convention in Asia, tabling 10,000+ vendors, and happens twice a year at Tokyo Big Sight Convention Center. They have a building in Harajuku with a gallery promoting artists all year 'round, and a coffee shop.



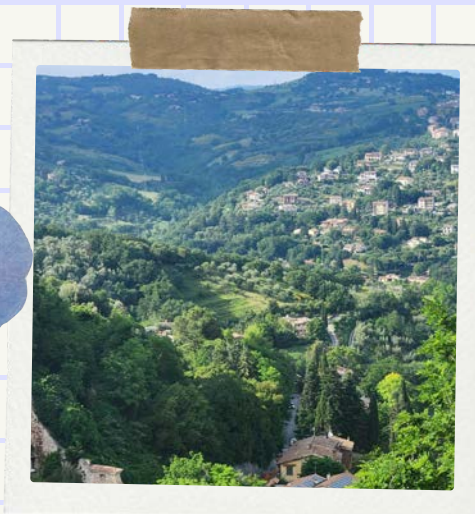
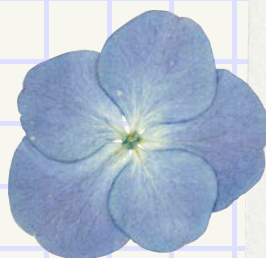
Jose Solis

Student Study Abroad Ambassador

*Studied abroad in Assisi, Italy Summer '24
Faculty-led Program: La Accademia Lingua
Italiana di Assisi*

What was your favorite memory abroad?

My favorite memory had to be going to Perugia where I was able to go to what felt like a real life chocolate factory!



What was your favorite thing to eat?

The Perugian chocolates tasted fantastic. They had so many flavors, even some completely locked to Perugia, and were so amazing.

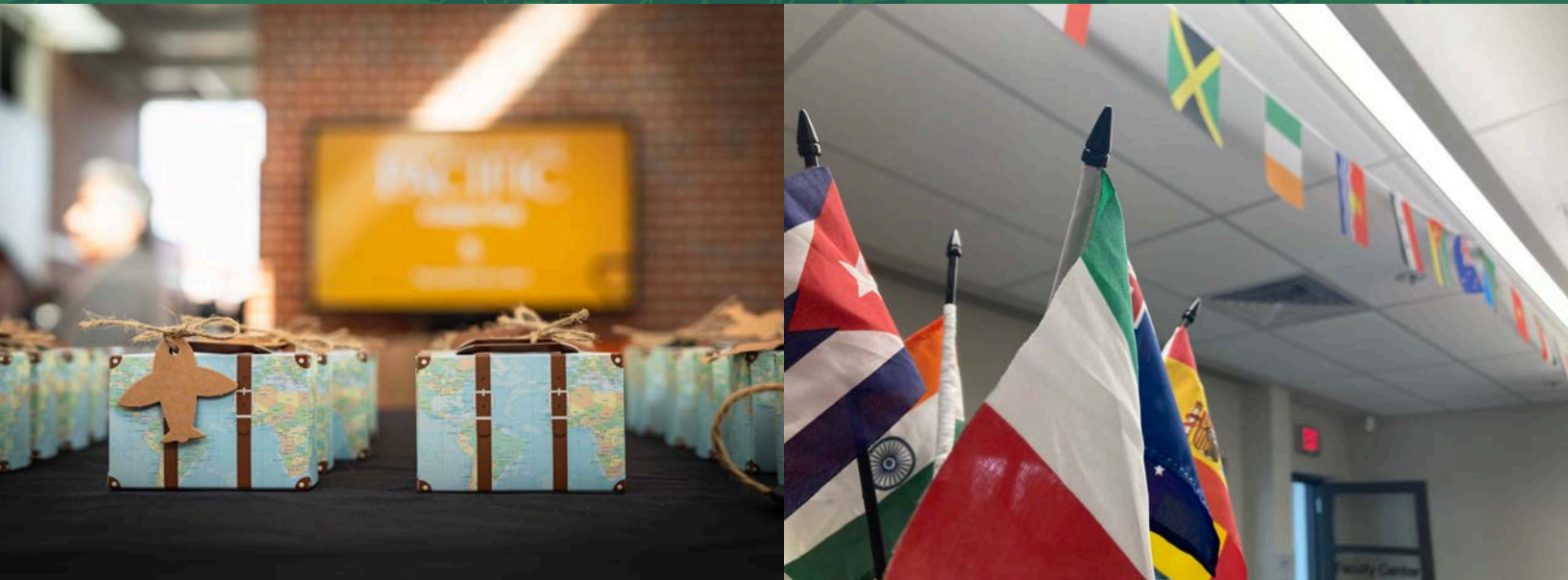


Recommendations

If you have even the slightest interest in pasta, many restaurants can satiate it. But my personal favorite? Nonna Nini in Assisi



Thank you for reading



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