



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
Study Abroad

WHY STUDY ABROAD?

In fall 2025, we surveyed alumni who had studied abroad between 2006 and 2024. Their responses sent a clear message: Study abroad delivers life-changing personal, professional, and academic growth.

TWO THUMBS UP

**99% POSITIVE OR VERY POSITIVE
IMPACT ON PERSONAL GROWTH**

**99% WOULD RECOMMEND
OR HIGHLY RECOMMEND**

WORKS FOR ME!

Our study abroad alumni now span a wide range of fields.

**Business, Finance
& Project Management**

K-12 & Higher Ed

Healthcare

**Technology, IT
& Engineering**

Law & Policy

**Consulting, Nonprofits
& Entrepreneurship**

82% said study abroad had a moderate to very strong impact on their ability to work in a digital/global environment.

78% named a moderate to very strong impact on their employability.

“Prepared me for conducting field research work and added a lot of experience for my resume.”



STRONGER, SMARTER, BETTER

MORE THAN 97% said study abroad improved their global awareness and their abilities to:

- Communicate with different people
- Understand cultural differences
- Navigate the unfamiliar
- Solve problems and adapt
- Engage with other communities
- Work in diverse environments

THE STUDY IN STUDY ABROAD

Travel itself can be life-changing, but we don't call it "study" abroad for nothing.

A look at alumni's programs shows how adventure, career preparation, and academic rigor converge.

10 OUT OF 10 applied their study abroad credits toward their degrees:

- Major or minor requirements — 3 in 4 students
- General ed requirements — 1 in 3 students

MORE THAN 1 IN 4 did programs with academic study *plus* internship, research or fieldwork experience.

MORE THAN 1 IN 3 focused on learning another language.



"Learned more in 5 weeks than I did in most regular school semesters."

ONGOING IMPACT

77%
**TRAVELED
ABROAD AGAIN**

TWO-THIRDS worked abroad, worked in globally focused careers, and/or now apply global perspectives in their current roles.

1 IN 10 has volunteered internationally.

MORE THAN 40% maintained strong connections in their host countries.