



WHY YOU SHOULD STUDY LANGUAGES AT UNIVERSITY: CAMPUS LIFE ABROAD

**AN OPPORTUNITY TO TRAVEL THE WORLD WITH A
GRANT FROM YOUR UNIVERSITY? MAKES SENSE!**

WHY CAMPUS LIFE ABROAD?

- EXPERIENCING CAMPUS LIFE ABROAD COMES WITH SO MANY BENEFICIAL OPPORTUNITIES. THIS INCLUDES LEARNING A DIFFERENT CULTURAL WAY OF LIFE, MEETING OTHER UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AND DEVELOPING YOUR LANGUAGE SKILLS, LEARNING MORE ABOUT YOURSELF, ENHANCING YOUR TRAVELLING SKILLS, AND EXPLORING A WHOLE NEW COUNTRY!

TAKING THIS OPPORTUNITY WITH YOUR UNIVERSITY IS A ONCE IN A LIFETIME CHANCE. THINK ABOUT IT... A YEAR ABROAD WHILST BEING A UNIVERSITY STUDENT IS WHEN YOU WILL HAVE THE MOST FREEDOM TO DISCOVER AND ENJOY TRAVELLING, BEFORE HAVING REAL RESPONSIBILITIES SUCH AS FINDING A JOB. SO, WHY NOT ENJOY THIS FREEDOM NOW?



LEARNING A DIFFERENT CULTURAL WAY OF LIFE

- Moving to a whole new country means adapting to a new way of life. This can be *exciting*, as it takes you away from your normal cultural routine in your own country. For example, moving to the French Caribbean means living in constant sun, and having the beach a short distance away from you anywhere you are. This can be a nice break from living in a western society, as in the Caribbean, no-one is in a rush; everyone simply enjoys the beauty of the Island. In addition, you can enjoy fresh foods such as local fish and meats at restaurants, or signature cocktails, such as *the planteur*. Tasting cultural cuisine can highlight the simplicity in good-tasting food, a stark difference to the fast-food restaurants dotted everywhere in the western world!



SO, WHY CAMPUS SPECIFICALLY?: MEETING OTHER UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AND DEVELOPING YOUR LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Campus life delivers an authentic experience of a university abroad, as all university aspects are integrated. Living on campus, whilst attending classes there, will give you a well-rounded experience as you will see the functioning of the day events such as classes and fairs, as well as night functions such as parties, sports clubs, or simply seeing how the local students spend their free time in the evening. Being around local students will generally make it easier to converse and improve your language skills as you and the students will be around the same age. So, making friends and doing their activities with them as well as your conversations, will enable you to see what living in their country would be like at your age.



LEARNING MORE ABOUT YOURSELF

- Travelling alone means spending a lot of time with yourself. Sure, you will meet new friends and spend time with people in your host country, however, you will not be in your typical surroundings. So, you will learn about how you need to adjust yourself, in order for you to enjoy your time there. This can include reading, taking solo trips around the country, and exploring the local area on your own. Through doing such activities, you learn about your likes and dislikes, as you are not being distracted by your normal routine back home. This is an excellent opportunity to find yourself and your direction in life, as you have time away from home to take things into perspective. After all, there is no better time spent than with yourself!



ENHANCING YOUR TRAVELLING SKILLS

- So, as you will know, travelling for a year will include *a lot* of travelling. Therefore, this opportunity breeds the chance to master how to travel efficiently. For example, knowing the best time to get to the airport without being too early or too late, how to arrange your suitcase for the least interruption at security, and packing lightly enough to get around yet including enough essentials for personal comfort. Mastering skills such as these will teach you a certain discipline that you can then carry through life. You will know how to organise yourself wherever you are, and not be struck by the surroundings of a new country. Pretty useful, right?





EXPLORING A WHOLE NEW COUNTRY

- And finally, the most obvious of all, the chance to *explore* a new country. You can do things that you could never do in your home country! Such as ride a boat in the Atlantic Ocean to spot dolphins, cook fresh meats and vegetables on your tables in restaurants, explore vibrant night markets, and much more. Exploring different aspects of new countries will broaden your world perspective. From first-hand experience of a year abroad, you will realise that you are not limited to your home country and be inspired to continue to travel and have unique experiences around the world. **Are you ready?**