



# IUPUI STUDY ABROAD

## Be a Study Abroad Champion!

We recognize the current moment is incredibly challenging and studying abroad may not be the first thing on your mind. And yet now more than ever we need to encourage the creative problem solving, critical thinking, and understanding of the complexities and interconnectedness of our world that study abroad fosters.

### What you can do

- Talk with your students individually and in a group about why you think study abroad matters for their academic and career goals
- Include study abroad as part of discussion in advising sessions
- [Invite the Study Abroad Office to lead a presentation](#) in your class
- [Promote relevant study abroad programs](#) in your classes
- Post flyers for events and relevant study abroad programs on Canvas
- Hang promotional flyers & study abroad materials in your office
- Work with the Study Abroad Office to plan special events, host advising sessions, provide presentations, or develop school/department-specific materials
- [Develop a study abroad program](#)—[Grant opportunities](#) are available
- Support study abroad program leaders in your school
- Intentionally [build study abroad courses into your school curricula](#)

**The IUPUI Study Abroad Office is eager to partner with you to support study abroad students and programs—  
please reach out if you would like to discuss possibilities!**

### Why Your Help Matters

- Only about **9% of IUPUI students study abroad** by the time they graduate, even though half of entering students express a desire to study abroad
- We want all IUPUI students to benefit from study abroad but **several student populations are studying abroad in lower numbers**: men, students with disabilities, and students with financial need
- As a **High Impact Practice**, study abroad has been shown to provide deep learning experiences for all students, and that **underserved students may benefit even more** from these learning opportunities than others

### [Student Benefits of Study Abroad](#)

- Skill-building—discipline specific, adaptability, communication, resilience, resourcefulness
- Meaningful connection with academic discipline
- Deep connections with local community
- Understanding place in own community and the world; adjusting lifestyle
- Building bridges and a more peaceful world
- Marketability in future career