

## SIX REASONS TO STUDY ABROAD

I. Match the titles with the correct paragraph.

- a. Study abroad to explore a new culture.
- b. Become more responsible while studying in a foreign country.
- c. Build a network of friends from around the World.
- d. Experience a different education style.
- e. Stand out to future employers with your academic experience abroad.
- f. Improve your English skills no matter what you study abroad.

1. Regardless of whether you choose to work in India or at a company abroad, your experience in a foreign country does matter to your future employer. It shows them that you can thrive and grow in an environment away from your comfort zone. As you open your mind and improve your language skills, studying abroad will also help you develop creative problem-solving skills, adapt to diverse environments and establish outstanding communication skills. These will stand out as your best-selling points and will help you get closer to your dream job.

2. One of the most obvious reasons to study abroad is to meet people from different places. Creating an international circle of friends is a huge benefit of studying abroad imagine having friends both in your home country and in the country you attend university. Imagine having two home countries! You become friends with people in your classes, on your sports teams, in your society, fraternity or sorority, or in your student organization. And these friends will forever be part of your most cherished memories from your time abroad.

3. When you study abroad in the US, Canada, the UK, Ireland or the UAE, you are surrounded by English. Not only are your classes conducted in English, but you use English in your free time when you meet with friends and take part in activities on campus. Whether you study engineering, mathematics, political science or theater, your English skills will improve until you are fluent and your advanced multilingual skills will strengthen your CV. Depending on where you study, you might even pick up an accent!

4. It is one thing to experience a country's culture when you visit for vacation, but it's completely different when you immerse yourself in the culture as you live and study there. Stepping out of India to study in a foreign country will open the door to cultural experiences, preparing for FAFSA for international students, WES evaluation, unique customs, new languages and unfamiliar traditions. You become part of your new environment when you study abroad, contributing your own unique background and ideas while learning new customs and discovering new ways of doing things. Seeing the world through an open-minded perspective makes you a culturally aware global citizen, and that is a passport that will benefit you wherever you go.

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5. Until now, you may have lived with your parents or guardians, but when you study abroad, you will be in charge of everything from your well-being to your education. You will be responsible for the decisions and the consequences that you face when you choose to study abroad. This independence will prove useful in the highly competitive career world and you will learn to enjoy the excitement of knowing that you are in control of your life.

6. Indian students used to a passive style of learning will get to experience a more engaging and active learning style when studying abroad. This may involve active learning through class participation, dialogue exchange, case studies and practical off and on campus experiences that make learning fun and meaningful. Who knows maybe the key to unlocking your potential is in the way your future professor provides feedback or encourages student discussions in class, or maybe it is the size of the class or how much time you spend in the lab.