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### **Benefits of Studying Abroad**

There are over 50 study abroad programs and even more global internship opportunities available for OSU students. Programs are available in many languages, and many are available in English.

**Types of Programs:**

- A. College/Departmental Programs – allow students to take coursework related to their major discipline
- B. Language Immersion Programs
- C. English language Programs

**Benefits for Students:**

- A. Understanding of their academic discipline in its international context
- B. Expand their cross-cultural communication and problem solving skills
- C. Prepare to work in an increasingly diverse and international workplace
- D. Become more competitive in today's competitive job market
- E. Broaden academic horizons
- F. Globalize their world view
- G. Improve second language skills
- H. Become more flexible and appreciative of differences
- I. Learn about another society and culture
- J. Develop new perspectives on American society and its role in the world

**Benefits for Oregon State University:**

OSU will create an international presence through collaborative partnerships that enhance future global opportunities for education, research and development and enable a better understanding of a multicultural world in which our future graduates will live and work.

- A. Increased diversity of perspectives in the classroom
- B. OSU graduates will be prepared to work in an increasingly diverse and international workplace
- C. Development of positive relationships between OSU and the State of Oregon with other peoples, universities and countries around the world
- D. Expansion of research opportunities
- E. Expansion of potential business partnerships for the future
- F. Allow a greater numbers of students to develop foreign language skills in a wider array of languages than offered at home campus
- G. Improve our ability to compete in a global and knowledge-based economy
- H. Expansion of multi-disciplinary programs and community-campus partnerships