

How To Choose A University Abroad

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Why you really should study abroad?

WHY STUDY ABROAD – PERSONAL REASONS

⁴⁴ I was the shyest, least confident girl ever, and I have grown so much, and become someone I really do not feel like I would have if I had stayed in England and gone to university there.⁷⁷

Keren Hewett





⁴⁴ [T]he key to studying abroad... [is] being prepared to meet and interact with different cultures so you can appreciate and embrace them. This will lead to you being able to make the most of you experience and learn things you never thought you would. This is the true value that a university abroad offers, a new perspective of the world.⁹⁹

Etain Dobson



WHY STUDY ABROAD - PROFESSIONAL REASONS



"The best students have one thing in common. They love learning with – and more importantly from – each other. At [Google], we refer to this new type of talent as having **cultural intelligence**."

Shuvo Saha Director of Google's Digital Academy

" Cultural Intelligence (CQ) is about having a thirst to learn from people who are not like you."

WHY STUDY ABROAD – PROFESSIONAL REASONS

Without languages you will be left behind.



Erasmus+ ② @EUErasmusPlus · 29 Haz % of people aged 15 - 30 who say they can read & write in at least one foreign language:

₿₿32%	≤ 92%
— 71%	92%
5%	— 93%
1 77%	= 94%
79%	9 5%
11 81%	20 95%
83%	9 6%
85 %	= 95%
= 87%	97 %
88%	— 97%
11 89%	° 8 98%
90%	99 %
90%	
90 %	Eurobarometer 2018
9 1%	
1 91%	

Even in an Englishspeaking country, the job market isn't only Englishspeaking!



What is the single most important consideration when thinking about where to study abroad?



Which subject do you want to study at university?

Over 4,000 courses taught entirely in English at European and Asian universities.

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SUBJECTS COUNTRIES WHAT TO STUDY NEED HELP



⁴⁴ Doing a course called International Business Management, it makes sense to do it in another country. I say you just need to get up and go, if it feels like a strange concept you really will fit in when you start your course over here.⁷⁷



Archie Buse



WHAT TO STUDY - BUSINESS

Business is offered everywhere in English, but where is the best?









WHAT TO STUDY – INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Want to change the world? Start by stepping out of your comfort zone.



Bachelor in International Development Management

- Rural development management
- Disaster risk management
- Sustainable value chains

I am really interested in sustainable fashion production... [M]y internship [in Bolivia] was working for an ethical manufacturer of knit and crochet work... This really inspires me to work to my best.

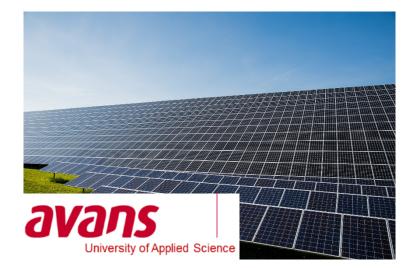
Ella Peters





WHAT TO STUDY – ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Did you know: London's climate will feel like Barcelona by 2050?



Bachelor in Environmental Science for Sustainable Energy and Technology (ESSET)

- Work placement
- Environmental Consultancy Specialisation in 3rd year

Small groups

" I wanted to study in a more project-based, hands-on way which better prepares you for the working environment."

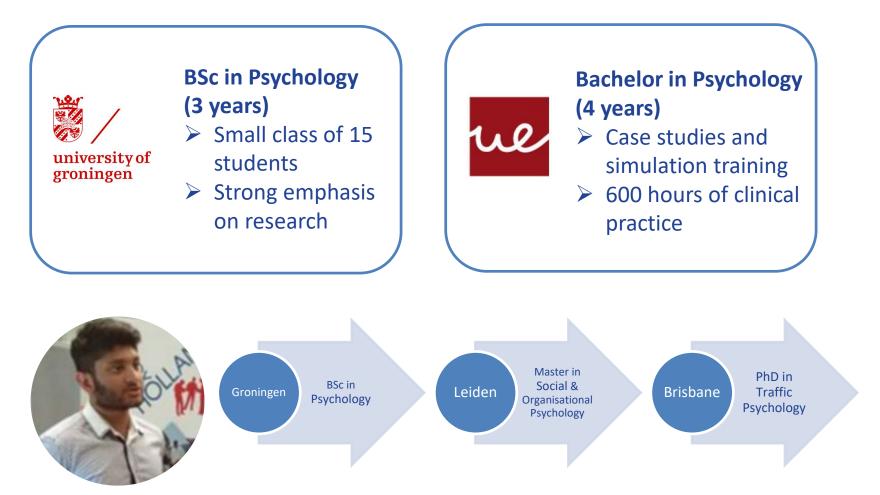
Django Milner Vaas





WHAT TO STUDY - PSYCHOLOGY

Not as much choice, but still some good options!



Ritwik Swain



WHAT TO STUDY - TEACHING

What if you want to teach at an international school?



Bachelor in International Teacher Education for Primary Schools (ITEPS)

- First in the world!
- Teaching experience at bilingual schools in Holland and Norway

" I would recommend my course to people who are genuinely interested in pursuing a teaching career and are willing to travel far distances for many weeks at a time."

Ellen Wilson





WHAT TO STUDY - GAME DESIGN

The best universities for game design are abroad!





BSc in Computer Science in Real-Time Interactive Simulation (4 years)

BFA in Digital Art and Animation (4 years) Bachelor of International Game and Architecture Design (4 years)



WHERE TO STUDY - PERFORMING ARTS

You can find everything somewhere!



- Specialist performing arts college in Sitges, Spain
- Full student services and inhouse physio counselling





You can train in:

- Dance
- Commercial Dance
- Musical theatre
- > Popular Music
- Acting

WHAT TO STUDY – MEDICINE, VET MEDICINE AND DENTISTRY

Sometimes, studying abroad might be your Plan B!





WHERE TO STUDY - A DIFFERENT EDUCATIONAL MODEL

But some universities don't teach subjects!

Liberal Arts offers breadth of education. Great if you are not sure what you want to study or find UK degrees too narrow.







WHERE TO STUDY - TRY FOR A WHILE

Gap year in the USA – get a taste of US education

Green River Gap Year:

- 3, 6 or 9 months
- Earn university credits
- On-campus dormitories
- Combine academic studies with travelling and volunteering





⁴⁴ My [Green River] gap year experience was everything I thought it would be and more... [T]o be able to study different classes to figure out what I want to do and what I enjoy in my life was a really good experience for me! ³⁷

Maria Johansson

WHERE TO STUDY - TRY FOR A WHILE

"Would I like living abroad?" You never know until you try.



⁴⁴ I had taken two years out of school [travelling around South East Asia] before deciding to move to the Netherlands... [H]aving this break made me passionate to learn and live abroad. It also gave me a chance to work in the real world gaining experience that was very useful for my course. ³⁷

Sophie Bray

⁴⁴ I chose to study abroad because I had travelled around Europe twice using the interailling programme this year, and I discovered a newfound love for central Europe. I came back from my travels, intending to go to university in England but changed my mind a week before and set my sails towards Prague College.³⁷



Archie Buse



Now that you have found the right course, what else do you need to know?



HOW TO CHOOSE - GLOBAL NETWORK





HOW TO CHOOSE - OPEN DAYS









As seen on Netflix

- Campus tour with the admission team
- Application workshops

" Since visiting the open day, I just knew that Van Hall Larenstein was for me and from then I felt very satisfied with my decision to study [there]. I would encourage students to visit the open day if they have the opportunity. "

Ella Peters



WHERE TO STUDY – ACADEMIC CONSIDERATIONS

It is a very practical-based teaching style.
My oldest sister studied [the same subject]
in the UK and envies that her course didn't
offer what my university does.⁷⁷



Lucy Carveth-Johnson



What surprised me most was the amount of study early on. In the UK I feel you don't have to do much at all in the first year, but here it is the most important.

Joey Richardson



What about the practical implications of going to university abroad?



THE PRACTICALITIES - RECOGNITION OF DEGREES

Will your degree be recognised?



THE HAGUE UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED SCIENCES







THE PRACTICALITIES – GRADES AND SUBJECTS

What grades and subjects will you need?

Easier to get in?

Maybe...





... but not easy!



THE PRACTICALITIES – HOW TO APPLY





Usually you can

apply directly!

Deadlines are often

later than in the UK.



THE PRACTICALITIES – THE FINANCIAL REALITY!

Is it cheaper to study abroad?





RIGHT THING FOR YOU

Is this the right choice for you?



I always ask myself 'why stay here if there is a whole world of opportunities out there to explore'. Moving abroad is the right step in the right direction for those students who aim to have a successful international future.





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