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# When learning *extends* beyond the edges of campus

**the world becomes  
your classroom.**

Why just read about other cultures and countries when you can personally experience them? How might your horizons expand when you study and live in a new land? UP's *Study Abroad* offers year-long, semester, summer, and short-term programs in countries such as Australia, Austria, Ecuador, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, South Korea, and Spain. New programs are in development for environmentally conscious students, those with an interest in Africa, and more. Students from all backgrounds and majors are encouraged to apply. Students can study abroad as early as their sophomore year.

Find out more: [up.edu/studyabroad](http://up.edu/studyabroad)



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## Change starts with an idea

but it takes action to make it a reality.

The University's award-winning *Entrepreneur Scholars* program is designed to help give you real-world skills and knowledge, as well as the confidence to launch your own business or non-profit venture. The program includes one-on-one mentorships with established entrepreneurs and domestic and international travel where you'll make connections with global business leaders and learn about best business practices. All UP students are encouraged to enter the *Pilot Venture Challenge*. This annual competition promotes experiential education in entrepreneurship and new business development through student created, launched, and managed ventures.

Find out more: [up.edu/franzcenter/entrepreneurship](http://up.edu/franzcenter/entrepreneurship)



Find out more: [up.edu/moreaucenter](http://up.edu/moreaucenter)

## A fresh perspective

just might help you find more similarities than differences.

How might your worldview change when you encounter diverse communities and explore socio-economic and social issues up close and in person? The University's Moreau Center for Service and Justice offers a variety of engagement opportunities, including immersion experiences in urban and rural areas across the U.S. You might learn from people experiencing homelessness in downtown Portland or from migrant workers on a Northwest farm. You can explore issues of immigration on the U.S.-Mexico border or trace the Civil Rights Movement and its impact on current issues of racism and classism on a tour through the South. Join our environmental justice immersion in Portland and the Columbia River Gorge, which intersects and relates climate crisis issues with racial and economic justice.

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## Take your knowledge and use it in action

through research and internships.

Where in the world can your interests and aspirations take you? You might find yourself conducting professional-level research with UP professors across the world, or as part of an REU (Research Experiences for Undergraduates) at one of the many universities nationwide that participate in the program. You might find yourself working for a nonprofit, government agency, or local business in such places as Australia, Hawaii, or the West Coast. Recent internships and other professional, real-world experiences include positions with think tanks in Washington, D.C.; the Denver Museum of Nature and Science; NASA; Nike; PACCAR; Indian Health Service; Portland Public Schools; and our Ethics and the Professions Internship program at WorldOregon and Make-A-Wish Oregon.

Find out more: [up.edu/use](http://up.edu/use) and [up.edu/career](http://up.edu/career)



## Language skills and cultural understandings

can open doors at home.

You will earn more than just stamps on your passport in our Sojourner Scholar or World Citizen programs. Gain second-language proficiency and significant intercultural and international experiences. You will be prepared to work on global issues with care and understanding of human interactions expressed in cultures around the world.

**"I WORKED IN CLASSROOMS STARTING THE FIRST SEMESTER OF MY FIRST YEAR AT UP. OBSERVING PROFESSIONALS IN THE FIELD WHILE ALSO LEARNING ABOUT EDUCATION AS AN UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GAVE ME VALUABLE PERSPECTIVE INTO THE PEDAGOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY BEHIND EDUCATION."**

— *Georgina Jeffers '23, Student Teacher*  
*Elementary Education, History minor*



## A place where all voices are heard

and all experiences are validated.

We are home to undergraduate students from 47 states and territories and 37 countries. At UP, diversity, equity, and inclusion are valued and supported through programs like *Diversity Dialogues* and the *UP Bridge* program. Our student clubs include more than a dozen focused on diversity and culture like the Hawai'i and CHamoru' clubs, Latinx and Black student unions, the Filipino American Student Association, and the Native American Alliance, among many others. The *Office of International Student Services* offers special programs and support for those adjusting to life in the U.S., and the *International Club* organizes events such as International Education Week to promote cross-cultural understanding.

Find out more: [up.edu/inclusion](http://up.edu/inclusion) and [up.edu/iss](http://up.edu/iss)



**NEARLY 47% OF UP UNDERGRADUATES SELF-IDENTIFY AS HISTORICALLY UNDERREPRESENTED (BASED ON RACE AND ETHNICITY) AND 24% IDENTIFY AS FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS.**

**"IN THE GRANADA, SPAIN, SEMESTER PROGRAM, WE PARTICIPATED IN EXCURSIONS EVERY MONTH TO NEW PARTS OF THE COUNTRY—FEEDING BIRDS IN SEVILLA, TOURING CASTLES IN MADRID, AND CLIMBING THROUGH ANCIENT CAVES IN NERJA! IT WAS AN ABSOLUTE DREAM TO ALSO WANDER THROUGH THE WINDING STREETS OF THE HISTORICAL ALBAYCIN DISTRICT IN THE CITY AND WATCH THE SUNSET OVER THE ALHAMBRA."**

— *Kaylan Tate '23*  
*Biology & Spanish*



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