

- *Did you have a life-changing experience abroad? Are your friends tired of hearing you tell stories about your time away? Do you want to share your experiences with other Clarkies?*

The Office of Study Abroad is seeking a diverse group of student leaders who can represent a variety of academic majors, program types, locations of study, and unique identities and backgrounds. We will rely predominantly on the selected group of Ambassadors to interface with prospective students interested in learning more about specific study locations.

What is a study abroad ambassador?

Study Abroad Ambassadors, along with the Office of Study Abroad, help encourage and support students to study abroad. Ambassadors spread the word about the benefits of study abroad through advising, educational events, information sessions, and developing new ways to reach out to fellow students.

What do Study Abroad Ambassadors do?

- Advise prospective study abroad students as they research and plan for study abroad.
- Share stories from your study abroad experience at information sessions, the Study Abroad fair, pre-departure workshops, and other events.
- Write blog posts explaining your experience preparing for and spending time away or abroad.
- Assist with educational events to promote study abroad and the reintegration of study abroad participants onto campus.

What is the time commitment?

- Ambassadors are expected to attend 2-3 events per semester in addition to Ambassador orientation meetings, be available for in-person and email communication with students, and create at least 1 blog post to be featured on the Study Abroad website.

Why should I become an Ambassador?

- Enhance your skills in event planning and outreach, student advising, and international education.
- Gain a leadership position to include as professional experience on your resume.
- Promote your study abroad experience by sharing stories with peers and prospective students.

How do I apply? Submit a photo from abroad, resume and personal statement via the [online application](#).

Personal Statement:

Write a 1-2 page long personal statement about your study abroad experience that can be featured on the Study Abroad blog. Write as if you were speaking to a prospective study abroad student or staff in order to share your experience. Topics may include:

- Your process of selecting and applying to your study abroad program.
- A short description of your experience, including your academic, social, and community involvement.
- How your study abroad experience supported your academic studies or your professional direction.
- Any tips you would have for a student applying to or attending a study abroad program.
- Reflections on your engagement with a new culture and your own process of self-discovery.