At the University of Chicago, students boldly explore the unknown and embrace new ways of thinking in the pursuit of answers to the world’s biggest questions. Together, they form a rich tapestry of voices shaping conversations that transcend history, borders, cultures, and beliefs. This spirit of diverse collaboration is made possible by a campus with a global consciousness and a global reach. Through a variety of meaningful international engagements, students gain an understanding of and respect for other people and their ideas, a central component of the transformative, impactful, and worldly education that the University of Chicago provides. By engaging in the rigorous pursuit of knowledge through intelligent interaction with other languages, cultures, and societies, UChicago students graduate as citizens of the world prepared to make a positive impact on the ever-changing global stage.

**Direct Enrollment Programs.** Because of UChicago’s relationships with select foreign institutions, you can complete coursework in your chosen field anywhere in the world while remaining a student in the College and retaining your financial aid eligibility.

**Funded Opportunities.** Summer International Travel Grants allow you to forge your own path in global study. Whether you’re performing field archaeology in Peru or researching molecular dynamics in Sweden, countless grants are available for students to learn foreign languages or conduct independent research in all corners of the world.

**UChicago Faculty-Led Programs.** Our distinctive faculty-led programs bring a global perspective to the UChicago experience. Discuss important texts, meet new people, and explore cities around the world with faculty whose research has engaged the local culture for decades. Immerse yourself in the study of other cultures through a Civilizations Studies course abroad through one of our programs in Europe, Asia, Africa, Latin America, or the Middle East, or gain new perspectives on your major through one of our Thematic programs. Each program includes a language component, housing arranged by the University, and an adventure around every corner.

“The students who study language, history, and culture in foreign lands are embracing a kind of intellectually rigorous globalism that will surely be a hallmark of the new liberal education of our century.”

John W. Boyer, Dean of the College

“Studying abroad has given me the privilege of being able to climb the Great Wall, tour the Forbidden City with my professor who lived in Beijing at one point, wander through stunning temples, and feast on delicious Peking Duck. Having the opportunity to stay in China for ten weeks made a place I’ve only learned about secondhand more real to me.”

Daisy Yu, Beijing Civ

Students in the Jerusalem Civilizations program visit Haifa
UChicago students live the life of the mind, one great city at a time.

Ella D.
Paris: Civilizations
“My study abroad program in Paris took me to the Louvre with an art history expert, around chateaux in the French countryside, on a full day at Versailles exploring the castle and gardens with our professor, and even to a French play! The amount of hands-on learning and exploration around both Paris and the rest of the country was amazing and allowed my class to take our discussions to an even more in-depth level. I had such a great time, made incredible friends, and felt completely in love with the city of Paris!”

Neil M.
Oaxaca: Civilizations
“Being a part of the Oaxaca program, I had the unique opportunity to learn about the history of Mexico while also experiencing the vibrant cultural life of the present-day Oaxaca Valley. The food we tried, people we met, and trips we took each contributed to a new perspective on how different communities live together in one of the most diverse regions in the world. Studying abroad was a huge highlight of my college experience, and I’m looking forward to visiting Oaxaca again soon!”

Adrian D.
Rabat: Civilizations
“The Rabat program was my most culturally and academically enriching college experience. Our cohort of 25 UChicago students had the opportunity to live, eat and bond with our Morocco host family for the entire quarter. From studying Paul Bowles in Tangier where he wrote some of his most classic pieces, to learning about Roman expansion into North Africa in the ruins of Volubilis, our UChicago professors were able to bring our course material to life.”

International Centers and Campuses
UChicago’s international locations serve as anchors for teaching, research, and learning around the world.
- Campus in Hong Kong
- Center in Paris
- Center in Beijing
- Center in Delhi

Treks
Treks are exploration experiences that bring groups of students face-to-face with potential employers around the world to gain a practical understanding of the daily life in their field of interest.

Last year, nearly 150 students expanded their professional networks and discovered new career paths in one of seven treks to international cities like Tokyo, Tel Aviv, Shenzhen, and more!