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Council for Educational Travel, USA Develops More High School Study Abroad Opportunities

CETUSA is excited to announce their 2017-2018 study abroad programs and scholarship opportunities for American high school students wishing to go overseas.

Seeing an increase of high school students wishing to study abroad, Kim Carter, Executive Director of CETUSA, was happy to announce during their 2016 fall conference the expansion of the high school study abroad program.

Students are invited to study abroad in one of fifteen countries - Australia, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Denmark, Ecuador, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Norway, Spain, Sweden, and the United Kingdom. Academic year (ten month), semester (five month), and short term (three month) programs are available. Some countries also offer a non-traditional academic year, which would be a ten month program starting in the spring rather than the fall.

Students live with a host family and attend school with classes taught in the local language. Minimum to no language requirement is necessary for most programs – students will be immersed in the language and culture and will have help from their host family and peers. Studying abroad in high school is a great way to become more culturally aware and independent, while also building lifelong relationships and connections with friends and family.

“I had the opportunity to develop lifelong relationships with my host family, French friends, teachers and other exchange students. This past year has given me some of the most spectacular and unforgettable memories of my life. Being exposed to all these different ways of life was the most enlightening and interesting experience I have ever had and made me thirsty for more knowledge concerning the world. This experience opened up my mind to how different people live from around the world and made me realize that I want to devote my life to working with people from different cultures.” – Kate, CETUSA Study Abroad Alumni 2016

CETUSA is also offering three scholarships for the 2017-2018 academic year. The Founder’s Scholarship, The Bon Voyage Scholarship, and The Discover Scandinavia Scholarship for study in Germany, France, and Sweden respectively are all full program fee scholarships, meaning that the majority of the costs are covered. Not included are airfare and medical insurance, among other personal expenses. The Founder’s Scholarship is named in honor of Rick Anaya and Terry Watson who started CETUSA after acquiring Dr. Frank Sprachen & Reisen (DFSR). DFSR is now one of our most trusted partners. CETUSA encourages all interested students to inquire and apply.



CETUSA is committed to helping each student during the application process and while abroad. Students will go through a pre-departure orientation prior to leaving the United States and will participate in an arrival orientation in the host country as well. 24/7 emergency support and monthly supervision is provided to each participant by a trusted overseas partner. All students are provided medical and travel insurance during their time on the program.

Interested students and their parents are welcome to contact CETUSA to find out more about the numerous opportunities for study abroad. Visit <http://www.cetusa.org/study-abroad>, email studyabroad@cetusa.org or call 888-CETUSA1 (888-238-8721) for more information.

About CETUSA: CETUSA is a not-for-profit international student exchange organization coordinating exchange experiences for high school students, university students and young professionals. Their mission is “reaching out to encourage a lifelong journey of global peace and understanding” for the students, host families and communities that are part of the exchange experience. CETUSA is a US Department of State Exchange Visitor (J-1 visa) sponsor organization and a full listing member of the Council on Standards for International Educational Travel (CSIET).