



# Study Abroad Photo Essay Contest

## Information, Entry Form & Instructions

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### **About the Contest:**

The WU Study Abroad Essay Contest is established to recognize the importance of WU students' international experiences and promote studying abroad to other WU students and the community. Photos should show WU students "in action" in their host countries and should somehow represent the ideals of study abroad (academic learning, culture learning, international awareness, sensitivity, and fun). We are looking for more than just travel photos of historical landmarks and pretty scenery; the best photos will be of WU students participating in activities at their host university.

### **Prizes:**

**1st place:** Monetary award of **\$100** and certificate of recognition.

**2nd place:** Monetary award of **\$75** and certificate of recognition.

**3rd place:** Monetary award of **\$50** and certificate of recognition.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

Students eligible for participation should be:

- Currently enrolled in WU **and**
- Have studied *in the past year or currently* studying abroad on an approved WU study abroad program.
- No more than one prize will be awarded to any one student.
- The International Programs Office reserves the right to cancel the photo contest in the event that an insufficient number of entries of suitable quality are submitted.

### **To Participate Please Submit:**

1. Study Abroad Photo Essay Contest Application Form by September 15<sup>th</sup>.
2. A written account of your experience abroad (300-500 words).
3. Three to five pictures from your trip tied together with the text of the essay (digital format saved as separate files from your written essay).
4. A picture of yourself (digital version).

### **Format Requirements:**

- Photo essays must be submitted on a flash drive, or you may e-mail the photos and essay.
- Essays must have a title.
- Textual description should not exceed one page of 300 - 500 words.
- Three to five photos with captions to support the text (300 dpi recommended)
- Any form or style can be chosen for the essay. It can be frequently asked questions, verse, prose, etc. Pictures may be in color or black & white. Use your imagination!

### **Submit to:**

WU Office of International Programs  
Attn: Photo Essay Contest  
1700 SW College Ave  
Topeka, KS 66621 or email:  
[studyabroad@washburn.edu](mailto:studyabroad@washburn.edu)

**Deadline:** September 15th

### **Review of Entries:**

Photo Essays will be reviewed by the Study Abroad Photo Essay Committee. Essays will be judged using the following criteria: creativity, literary style, selection and quality of the photos, and the overall unity of photos and text information.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

WU ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Classification:**

First Year Student       Sophomore       Junior  
 Senior       Graduate

**Length of the study abroad program:**

Full Academic Year  
 Semester  
 Summer/ Short-term

**Type of Program:**

WU Exchange  
 Approved External Program  
 WU Faculty-Led Program  
 Short-term

**Classification when studying abroad (if difficult from current):**

First Year Student       Sophomore       Junior  
 Senior       Graduate

Country you have studied in: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the University/Program Abroad: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of the study abroad program: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the Photo Essay: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit on a flash drive or email: [studyabroad@washburn.edu](mailto:studyabroad@washburn.edu)**

- An account of your experience abroad to support your "picture story" along with photos
- Three to five pictures with captions (digital, highest resolution, saved in separate files)
- A picture of yourself (digital format)
- You are also welcome to turn in a hard copy along with your flash drive or email.