Welcome to Florida A&M University. As you plan your university experience, we challenge you to take a non-traditional path. We invite you to include an education abroad experience in your college curriculum plan. Your Bright Futures Scholarships, Pell Grants, and Presidential Scholarships support study abroad semesters in the fall and spring semesters. Other forms of competitive scholarships are available. Benefits to you?

- In a tight job market, proficiency in another language and region specific knowledge enhances your future job prospects in such career areas as business and finance, the health professions, public administration, law enforcement, education, and journalism.
- Developing proficiency in the critical languages, such as Chinese, Korean, and Arabic, prepares you for a foreign service career with the U.S. Department of State or in one of the intelligence agencies.

- Semester of study abroad in over 50 countries and in all majors
- Spring Break Abroad Service Learning or Departmental Short-term Excursions
- US Department of State summer internships in Washington, DC and US embassies abroad
FAMU Study Abroad Facts
Did You Know...

1. FAMU study abroad office is located in the Perry Paige Building Room 302.

2. FAMU students have studied abroad in countries such as Canada, China, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, England, Ghana, France, India, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Mexico, South Africa, and Spain.

3. Students can study abroad in the Fall, Spring or Summer semester.

4. Studying abroad enhances your resume as you prepare for the job market.

5. Studying abroad will improve your foreign language skills.

6. FAMU is the proud sponsor of CCIS' summer study abroad program in the Dominican Republic.

7. FAMU offers Spring Break Abroad programs.

8. Students nationwide participate in FAMU study abroad programs.

9. Scholarships and Financial Aid are available to study abroad for those who qualify.

10. Study abroad is available for most majors.

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Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness, and many of our people need it sorely on these accounts. Broad, wholesome, charitable views of men and things cannot be acquired by vegetating in one little corner of the earth all one's lifetime."
—Mark Twain, 1857
From Biology Major Thayne Dalrymple

Upon planning my study abroad experience, I knew I wanted to not only learn Spanish, but to provide a service to the country and to obtain some job experience. I decided to spend the summer of 2006 studying abroad in the Dominican Republic.

Being a Pre-Medicine major, I sought an experience in the health or medical science realm. After much research, I was granted the opportunity to volunteer at Dr. Robert Reid Cabral Children's Hospital in Santo Domingo, the country's capital. It is one of the largest and best children's hospitals in the Dominican Republic, serving over fifteen hundred children daily with only 350 beds. A large percentage of the children hospitalized there are abandoned and the number of HIV infected children is growing. While hospital administrators realize that it takes about $6 million pesos to run the hospital, the government budgets only half that amount.

The time I spent shadowing one of the doctors in the Cabral clinic Free helped me rediscover why I want to be a doctor. Words will never be able to explain how this experience has impacted my life. Before volunteering at Dr. Robert Reid Cabral Children's Hospital, the desire I had to become a Pediatric Physician had started to dim. Now, I plan to pursue medicine and eventually return to help change these conditions.

SUMMER STUDY IN DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Florida A&M university sponsors the CCIS Summer Program in the Dominican Republic. It provides an cultural immersion experiences for students who want to infuse Spanish speaking skills and knowledge of an Latin American culture into their career goals. Students can enroll in three to nine credit hours of instruction during the summer session.

The program offers Spanish language courses from the basic to the advance levels. Students can also enroll in courses focusing on Dominican/Caribbean Culture, Spanish/Caribbean literature or a Directed Individual Study (DIS) in the student's major field (must be coordinated by the student's home institution department). While the elective courses are taught in English, use of Spanish is encouraged by the professors. International students who speak Spanish proficiently can enroll in other PUCMM courses. For many students, summer is the best time to engage in study abroad. A limited number of CCIS scholarships and the Gilman Scholarships are available for summer study. Visit the site: www.ccisabroad.org and contact the Education Abroad Coordinators in 302 N. Perry-Paige Hall, Florida A&M University.
BENEFITS OF STUDY ABROAD

- Gain an international dimension and perspective in your major.
- Expand your range of course options and develop a global resume.
- Experience the increasing interdependence of the U.S. and other countries.
- Explore the role you can play in the global community.
- Increase your understanding of other cultures and get a different perspective on your own culture.
- Get to know local students, host families, and townspeople and immerse yourself in the life of the host country.
- Enjoy new and different activities that are native to the host country.
- Sharpen interpersonal and communication skills through interacting with people from backgrounds different than your own.
- Achieve competence in a foreign language.
- Enhance your sense of independence and self-confidence.
- Expand your career choices and clarify your personal goals.

From Business student Melynie Dangerfield —

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From Political Science Graduate Avery Brewton —

I spent a semester studying in Kenya through the School for International Training. I rode a camel and learned a great deal about issues affecting people in all that we did in Kenya and all that I saw, I think the most important thing for me in being thousands of miles away from Florida, was developing survival skills. I am using those skills with AmeriCorps in helping to reconstruct homes damaged by Hurricane Katrina in New Orleans. In some ways, this experience is more overwhelming than what I saw in Kenya and in a short trip to Tanzania.

BUSINESS STUDENTS IN DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Students, enrolled in the courses Spanish Immersion in International Business or Spanish for Business, spent their summer studying those unique problems faced by businesses operating in a Latin American setting. The students spent two weeks in the Dominican Republic engaged in experiential learning and cultural immersion.

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