

What's the best advice you can give future students to maximize their experience abroad?

"Do things on your own! Explore, see things that aren't on the schedule. I bought myself a ticket to the Harry Potter studio tour, and it ended up being one of my favorite things that I did."

"Write it all down. Don't just do your class work. Keep a journal, a blog, something, anything to document what you're taking in."

"Take every experience available. Go outside your comfort zone and do things you normally wouldn't. The time goes by so quickly so make the most of it."

"You don't have to travel on your off days to have fun. We had a great time just going out at night in small groups and meeting locals."

"Don't worry about not knowing anyone on the trip before going--that's half the fun! Meeting new people and experiencing this trip as your own person is vital to the growth you will experience abroad."

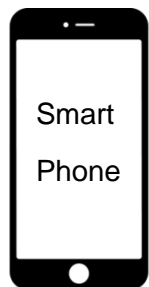
What items did you not bring that you wish you had?

- Backpack
- Converter
- Good walking shoes
- Light cardigans/ sweaters
- SOCKS
- Laundry bag

What items did you pack and NOT need while abroad?

- Pack lighter
- Too many clothes
- T-shirts
- Nike shorts
- Tablet

Which devices would you recommend others take in the future?



Most common ways to communicate with family and friends back home:

#1. Through WiFi-enabled smart phones apps

- Skype
- Whatsapp
- iMessage

#2. International calling/text plan with U.S. cell phone carrier

Theater in London

"I've never been able to study theatre from both the literary and performance sides, and this program allowed me to look at story, art, and human connection in a way that I'd never been exposed to before!"

Approximately how much did you spend out of pocket during the program (in USD)?

	Max Value	Average Value
Communication (cell phone, Internet charges, etc.):	130.00	43.33
Food:	1,500.00	658.33
Going out/free time:	850.00	329.17
Lodging:	500.00	50.00
Other:	100.00	9.09
Personal travel/excursions:	1,000.00	308.33
Program related travel/excursions:	5,000.00	609.00
Required books/supplies:	150.00	55.42
Souvenirs/gifts:	300.00	127.50

What advice do you have for students to budget and spend money wisely?

"Plan ahead and really budget how much you are willing to spend each day."

"Buy groceries for your room, eat at Sainsburys or Greggs, they have cheap meal deals."

"Keep track of what you are spending. Use cash when possible."

"DRINK WATER. In restaurants, in your hostel, everywhere. Water fountains are not a thing, so get it when you can. Plus, cokes aren't refillable and are already expensive."

How did you pay for things on a daily basis?

1. Cash (withdrawn from local ATM/bank from US bank account)
2. Credit Cards/Debit Cards
3. Cash (exchanged from US currency)

What credit cards were most accepted?

