

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

"Keep an open mind and pay attention to all of the historical, economic, and cultural factors that play into the way that the people live."

"Have fun and be open to new experiences and the fact that other students may be trying to get something a little different than you. Just be open to everyone else."

"Be willing to explore on your own!"

"Go out as much as you can, do everything even if you don't want to (museum trips, sightseeing)! Don't be afraid to wake up early to get things done more efficiently. Go to Post 9 at the beach and get service from the Uruguayan people!"

"Get to know your group!"

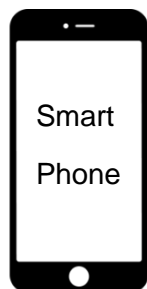
## What items did you not bring that you wish you had?

- Casual clothes
- Extra pair of pants
- Flip flops or sandals
- Adapter
- Brita
- BUG SPRAY

## What items did you pack and NOT need while abroad?

- Too many business clothes
- Kindle
- Bar soap

## 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. Email/ Facebook

# WCOB Brazil

*"This trip was an experience like no other I have ever had in my life. Brazil culture is amazing and hard not to fall in love with!"*

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

	Max Value	Average Value
Communication (cell phone, Internet charges, etc.):	300.00	64.50
Food:	400.00	270.00
Going out/free time:	300.00	165.50
Lodging:	0.00	0.00
Other:	100.00	10.00
Personal travel/excursions:	500.00	80.00
Program related travel/excursions:	50.00	10.00
Souvenirs/gifts:	500.00	155.00

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

"In Rio, everything is cheap!"

"Bring more than you think but also don't overly spend on food because you can probably get just as good quality somewhere else for cheaper!"

"Find local cheap restaurants and go to the grocery store when you can for snacks or quick meals."

"There is ample opportunity to not spend a lot of money if you don't want to."

## 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 Cash (withdrawn from local ATM/bank from US bank account)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?

