

## **Office of International Programs**

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# **LGBTQA+ Resource Guide for Study Abroad**

Studying abroad as an LGBTQA+ student is likely to be a very rewarding experience! Just the same, it is important for students to inform themselves of their destinations so they are prepared for the legal, cultural, and social situations they will encounter. The Office of International Programs is happy to help you navigate your study abroad experience of a lifetime! Here are some resources to look over..

#### Questions to Consider

- ° What are the LGBTQ+ laws in my host country? What are the norms?
- For Trans students, what should I consider when crossing borders, showing passports, or going through airport security? What should I expect or plan for regarding use of bathrooms in host countries?
- Are there health, insurance, or medical service-related issues to plan for that are unique to my situation?
- ° What are the cultural norms for dating and relationships?
- ° What is the LGBTQ+ population like in my host community?
- ° Should I come out to my host family and/or local friends? How do I plan for housing?
- ° What kinds of LGBTQ+ resources are there in my local community?
- o Is it safe for me to be out when I am abroad?
- What does it mean for my identity if I am not out while abroad?
- ° To whom can I turn if I find myself grappling with my LGBTQ+ identity while abroad?
- How can I maintain my mental health abroad if I am not out or have to hide parts of my identity?

### Evergreen Advising Resources

- First Peoples Multicultural, Trans and Queer Support Services, Cab 227
- Student Clubs supporting LGBTQA+ students <a href="https://www.evergreen.edu/activities/groups">https://www.evergreen.edu/activities/groups</a>
- Academic and Career Advising, ACA, Library 2153
- Self-identified LGBTQA+ Staff and Faculty, contact First Peoples or ACA for references.
- Student peers who have studied abroad before you and have stories to share.
- ° Office of International Programs, Library 2153

#### • Trans Travel Information

- ° Airport Screening and Travel Concerns for Trans Travelers
  - https://transgenderlawcenter.org/archives/363
  - https://dopesontheroad.com/transgender-guide-to-staying-safe-while-traveling/
- Trans Airport Security Safety
  - https://transequality.org/know-your-rights/airport-security
- Trans Passport Information
  - https://transequality.org/know-your-rights/passports
- ° Gender Designation Change Information
  - https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/passports/apply-renew-passport/change-of-sex-marker.html

#### LGBTQA+ Travel Resources

- US Department of State LGBTI Travel Information
  - https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelerswith-special-considerations/lgbti.html
- International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association
  - https://ilga.org/
- International Gay & Lesbian Travel Association
  - https://www.iglta.org/
- ° LGBTQ Country Specific Information
  - https://www.chapman.edu/international-studies/ files/lgbtq-country-specific.pdf
- Print Resources for LGBTQ Students Going Abroad
  - https://apps.carleton.edu/curricular/ocs/planning/diversity/LGBT/lgbtq\_print\_resources/
- ° Suggestions for LGBTQ Students Going Abroad
  - https://apps.carleton.edu/curricular/ocs/planning/diversity/LGBT/suggestions/
- LGBT Student Guide for Education Abroad Document (Country Specific)
  - https://educationabroad.global.usf.edu/ customtags/ct FileRetrieve.cfm?File ID=51978
- OutRight Action International
  - https://www.outrightinternational.org/
- University of Iowa Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Identity Abroad Page
  - https://international.uiowa.edu/study-abroad/study-abroad-resources/identity/lgbt
- Davidson College Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, & Queer Students Study Abroad Info
  - https://davidson.studioabroad.com/index.cfm?FuseAction=Abroad.ViewLink&Parent\_ID= 0E8F38D5-26B9-58D3-F5404AFACA9CE225&Link ID=A73C1780-26B9-58D3-F58F1B0AFC70D0AC
- Identities Abroad: A Resource Guide for Traveling LGBTQ Students
  - http://www.colleges-fenway.org/student-resources/global-experience/study-abroadoverview/identities-abroad/
- Risk Levels by Country
  - https://www.stthomas.edu/media/studyabroad/LGBTQDestinationRiskbyCountry.pdf

#### Organizations

- International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association
  - Country Specific information related to legal rights and social climate.
- Amnesty International Human Rights
  - A global movement that campaigns to end human rights abuses.
- Global Gayz.com
  - Journal website documenting the travels of LGBT persons all over the world.
- OutRight Action International
  - Acts to advance the human rights of all people and communities subject to discrimination.
- ° The International Lesbian & Gay Association
  - Worldwide federation of local and national groups that focus attention on discrimination
- National Center for Transgender Equality
  - Advocates to change policies and society to increase understanding and acceptance of transgender people.
- NAFSA's LGBTQ+ Student Advising Guide
  - NAFSA is the premier professional organization for international education. NAFSA maintains extensive resources for advisors and LGBTQ students who plan study in another country.
- GoAbroad.com
  - Meaningful Travel Tips and Tales: An Initiative to Make Travel More Inclusive from LGBTQ Traveler Perspectives.
- Diversity Abroad
  - Provides resources on diversity abroad, including race/ethnicity, religion, and sexual orientation.

#### Region Specific Resources

- All regions: https://www.chapman.edu/international-studies/ files/lgbtq-country-specific.pdf
- Africa
  - http://panafricailga.org/
  - https://www.outrightinternational.org/region/africa/
  - https://international.uiowa.edu/sites/international.uiowa.edu/files/lgbt\_africa.pdf
- ° Asia
- https://www.facebook.com/IlgaAsia/
- https://www.utopia-asia.com/
- https://www.outrightinternational.org/region/asia
- ° Europe
  - https://www.ilga-europe.org/
  - https://www.outrightinternational.org/region/europe-and-central-asia
- Latin America & Caribbean
  - https://www.ilga-lac.org/en/international-lesbian-gay-bisexual-trans-and-intersex-association-for-latin-america-and-the-caribbean/
  - https://www.outrightinternational.org/region/latin-america
  - https://www.outrightinternational.org/region/caribbean
- Middle East
  - https://www.outrightinternational.org/region/middle-east-and-north-africa
- ° North America
  - https://www.outrightinternational.org/region/north-america
- Oceania (Australia, New Zealand, Pacific Islands)
  - https://www.facebook.com/ilgaoceania/

#### • LGBTQA+ Travel Blogs and Posts

- https://bplusinlife.weebly.com/
- https://dopesontheroad.com/
- https://sdsubeintl.wordpress.com/2016/07/08/lgbtq-pride-in-quito/
- https://www.autostraddle.com/please-step-over-here-the-perils-of-traveling-as-a-trans-woman-246912/
- https://apps.carleton.edu/curricular/ocs/planning/diversity/LGBT/10 reasons/
- ° <a href="https://www.outrightinternational.org/blog">https://www.outrightinternational.org/blog</a>
- ° <a href="https://www.gooverseas.com/blog/what-i-learned-lgbt-studying-abroad">https://www.gooverseas.com/blog/what-i-learned-lgbt-studying-abroad</a>
- https://www.gooverseas.com/blog/lgbtq-study-abroad-safety-issues
- https://nomadicboys.com/
- https://www.ifsa-butler.org/unpacked/
- https://lgbtrpcv.org/

#### LGBTQA+ Mental Health

- Trans Lifeline https://www.translifeline.org/
- The Trevor Project https://www.thetrevorproject.org/
- Diversity Abroad: <a href="https://www.diversityabroad.com/article/managing-mental-health-while-abroad1">https://www.diversityabroad.com/article/managing-mental-health-while-abroad1</a>

## LGBTQA+ Scholarships

- https://www.topuniversities.com/student-info/scholarship-advice/lgbt-scholarships-around-world
- http://www.rainbowsig.org/rainbow-scholarship/
- https://fundforeducationabroad.org/applicants/
- https://pointfoundation.org/thepoint/scholarship/

- https://pridefoundation.org/find-funding/scholarships/
- ° <a href="https://www.hrc.org/resources/scholarship-database">https://www.hrc.org/resources/scholarship-database</a>
- Evergreen Study Abroad Consortia Partners with Specific Gender, Sexuality and LGBTQ+ Offerings
  - Center for Global Education and Experience
    - https://studyabroad.augsburg.edu/index.cfm?FuseAction=Programs.ViewProgramAngular &id=55665 (Mexico)
  - ° Council for International Educational Exchange
    - https://www.ciee.org/go-abroad/educators/faculty-led-programs/amsterdam-identity-politics (Netherlands)
  - ° Danish Institute for Study
    - https://disabroad.org/stockholm/programs/gender-and-sexuality-studies/ (Sweden)
    - https://disabroad.org/copenhagen/programs/justice-and-human-rights/ (Denmark)
    - https://disabroad.org/copenhagen/programs/prostitution-and-the-sex-trade/ (Denmark)
  - Institute for Study Abroad
    - https://www.ifsa-butler.org/program/aup-human-rights-diversity-minority-and-genderstudies/ (Argentina)
  - School for International Training
    - https://studyabroad.sit.edu/programs/semester/fall-2019/nlr/ (Netherlands)

