

NACADA STUDY ABROAD ADVISING INTEREST GROUP Newsletter - September 2007

Special points of interest:

- Forum on Ed Abroad
- Resources for advisors
- Simon Act
- Conference Info

Quick Facts from Open Doors 2004/05

Top 5 Destinations:

- 1 - United Kingdom
- 2 - Italy
- 3 - Spain
- 4 - France
- 5 - Australia

Top 3 Fields of Study:

- 1 - Social Sciences
- 2 - Business
- 3 - Humanities

**Number of U.S. Students
Abroad in 2004/05**
205,983

**Percent Increase over pre-
vious year**
7.7% (up from 191,321)

U.S. participation in study
abroad has **DOUBLED** over the
past **8 years**

The Forum on Education Abroad

The Forum on Education Abroad is an organization of institutions and individuals dedicated to U.S. education abroad. The Forum is the Standards Development Organization (SDO) for the field of education abroad, and has developed a set of standards of good practice, which may be downloaded by institutions wishing to self-evaluate their adherence to the standards.

The Forum held its national conference in Austin, TX in March 2007. The conference brought together about 400 education abroad professionals for discussion of such topics as:

Standards for Education Abroad
Advocating with Academic Advisers
Health and Safety Abroad
Data Collection

The Forum Data Committee has also developed an online tool to find research projects in education abroad, the [Research on Education Abroad Database](#) (READ).

For more information on the Forum, Standards of Good Practice, or the research projects database, go to:
<http://www.forumea.org/>

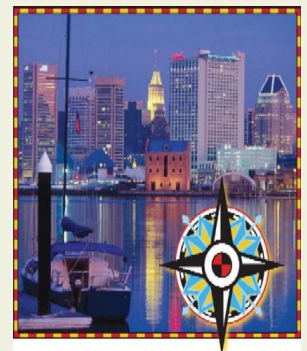
National Conference in Baltimore, MD

Advisors as Navigators:
From Orientation to Graduation and Beyond
Baltimore, MD
October 18-21, 2007

Be sure to attend the Study Abroad Advising Interest Group meeting on October 19 from 2-3pm in CC Room 306.

Also, don't miss the following study abroad advising educational session:

Academic Advisors as Leaders in Student Advising for Global Education and Study Abroad taking place on October 20 from 2-3pm in CC Room 318.



More Quick Facts from Open Doors 2004/05

- Students with Foreign languages as declared majors accounted for only 7.5% of all U.S. students abroad in 2004/05

Top 10 Doctoral/Research institutions* sending U.S. students abroad in 2004/05

- 1 - NYU
- 2 - Michigan State
- 3 - UT Austin
- 4 - Penn State
- 5 - U. of Minn. - Twin Cities
- 6 - U. of Florida
- 7 - U. of Pennsylvania
- 8 - U. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- 9 - U. of Georgia
- 10 - U. of Virginia

* According to Carnegie Type

Data taken from the 2004/05 Open Doors report produced by the Institute of International Education
<http://opendoors.iienetwork.org/>

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Crossing Borders – The Senator Paul Simon Study Abroad Foundation Act of 2007

It is no surprise that as we become a more global society, our institutions of higher education must, too, become more global. One way to achieve this is to further encourage and have a set vision for an increase in study abroad participation at the college and university levels. The Senator Simon Act (named after the late Senator Paul Simon) does just that and is being considered in Congress. Currently the Simon Act (Senate Bill 991) is before the Foreign Relations Committee and has been passed by the House (House Resolution 1469). The Bill seeks to have 10 million American students studying abroad within 10 years with a substantial increase in study abroad participation to developing nations. Additionally, the Bill seeks to balance long-term study abroad programs (focusing more on foreign-language and culture learning) and short-term study abroad programs (focusing on maximizing the accessibility of study abroad to nontraditional students.) The Bill is visionary in nature and we strongly support its passage by Congress.

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Any NACADA member interested in becoming a part of the Study Abroad Advising Interest Group should attend the Interest Group meeting at the National Conference. Volunteers for all committees are always welcome. Anyone interested in taking over the open position of E-newsletter editor should contact Jodi Malmgren at jodim@umn.edu.

Additional Resources for Study Abroad

NAFSA: Association of International Educators	www.nafsa.org
Institute of International Education	www.iie.org
Council on International Educational Exchange	www.ciee.org
International Education Financial Aid	www.iefafa.org