CAPSTONE INTERNATIONAL CENTER

WORLD AWAITS

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YOUR PASSPORT TO EDUCATION STARTS HERE...

The Capstone International Center (CIC) is led by the Associate Provost for International Education and Global Outreach. The CIC is the hub of international activity on the UA campus—supporting students, faculty and staff through Education Abroad, an English Language Institute, the Global and Cultural Perspectives Minor, International Student & Scholar Services, and Partnerships and Scholarships.

GLOBAL AND CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES MINOR

This 15-hour minor prepares undergraduate students for the dynamic and ever-evolving society, economy, and workforce demands of a globally-connected world. It examines cultural, economic, physical, and political aspects of being a world citizen in the 21st century.

FULBRIGHT PROGRAM

The Fulbright Program is the premier exchange program of the U.S. Department of State. It offers awards to study and conduct research throughout the world. The CIC offers information sessions and advising for both student and faculty applicants through a team of advisors from across UA’s colleges and departments. In addition, UA hosts international students and scholars who are supported by the Fulbright Program and their home countries to study and conduct research in the U.S.

MISSION

The Capstone International Center Initiates, promotes and supports The University of Alabama’s international mission on campus, throughout the state and around the world.
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EDUCATION ABROAD

Education Abroad (EA) assists students in pursuing educational opportunities all over the globe to meet both their academic and personal growth goals. EA identifies, develops, approves, and administers overseas programs that meet UA’s high academic standards and that prioritize student health and safety. UA faculty members lead many programs that students remember as the highlight of their time at UA.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTITUTE

The English Language Institute (ELI) offers English language training and cultural orientation to non-native speakers of English including international students, professionals, faculty members, and graduate teaching assistants. The ELI’s Intensive English Program provides courses and programming for international Fulbright and other scholarship program recipients pursuing their education in the U.S.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT & SCHOLAR SERVICES

International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) provides essential services and innovative programs for international students and scholars, enabling them to achieve their educational, professional, and personal goals. ISSS fosters diversity and strengthens intercultural relationships throughout the campus and community by promoting understanding and respect for all cultures.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE INSTITUTE

- Typical enrollment per semester for International Teaching Assistant and Academic Support Programs: 75
- ESL enrollments per session*: 75
- 16 countries represented*
- Top countries represented: Saudi Arabia, Turkey, Japan, China, Colombia

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT & SCHOLAR SERVICES

- 1,173 international students representing 77 countries and territories
- 309 international faculty, staff, and scholars, representing 41 countries and territories
- $61.5 MILLION Contributions to the local economy through tuition, fees, and living expenses of international students/scholars

PARTNERSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Creating a global experience on the UA campus and beyond is a goal of the Partnerships and Scholarships office. Faculty work with this office to create Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) and formalize their partnerships across the globe. Students and faculty work with the office to receive advising and support for international scholarships such as the Fulbright, Boren, and Critical Languages Scholarships.

- 65+ Agreements in 20+ countries
- 90+ U.S. student Fulbright recipients in ten years (2012-2021)
- 90 Foreign Fulbright recipients hosted by UA from Fall 2016 to present

*During a non-pandemic year
COIL (Collaborative Online International Learning) is a cost-effective way of offering international education, global learning, and intercultural experiences to UA students in all disciplines. COIL links students and faculty across borders for shared teaching and learning experiences using a wide variety of online communication methods.

Our initial COIL efforts were launched in August of 2018, when The University of Alabama, along with five other institutions across the U.S., was selected to participate in the American Council on Education’s U.S.-Japan COIL Initiative. The Initiative was a pilot program supported through a grant from the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo and was coordinated in partnership with the Japanese Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science, and Technology (MEXT).

COIL helps UA colleges and departments achieve goals for delivering global learning and cross-cultural experiences to a larger number of students in a broad range of disciplines.

STUDENT PROFILE

Introduction to Global and Cultural Perspectives (CIP 200) is a great course for students to prepare to work in an increasingly globalized world. It equipped me with relevant knowledge of many regions of the globe and the cultural backgrounds of people who come from those regions.

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