



Education Abroad

FALL 2024 – SUMMER 2025

The Office of International Affairs offers a large variety of education abroad experiences, including study abroad and the Iacocca International Internship Program. The Study Abroad Office supports all international outbound programs on campus, providing guidance on program design and review; grant processing; assisting with recruitment and student eligibility review; and overseeing risk management, including health and safety protocol. Staff are on-call to support students as needs arise due to travel, health, security or other issues.

Experiences by Type

789
Total Study Abroad Experiences:

268
Lehigh faculty-taught courses abroad

6
Lehigh-directed independent experiences

70
Global Social Impact Fellows experiences

72
Iacocca International Internship Program experiences

283
Semester

34
Short immersion experiences (2 weeks or less)

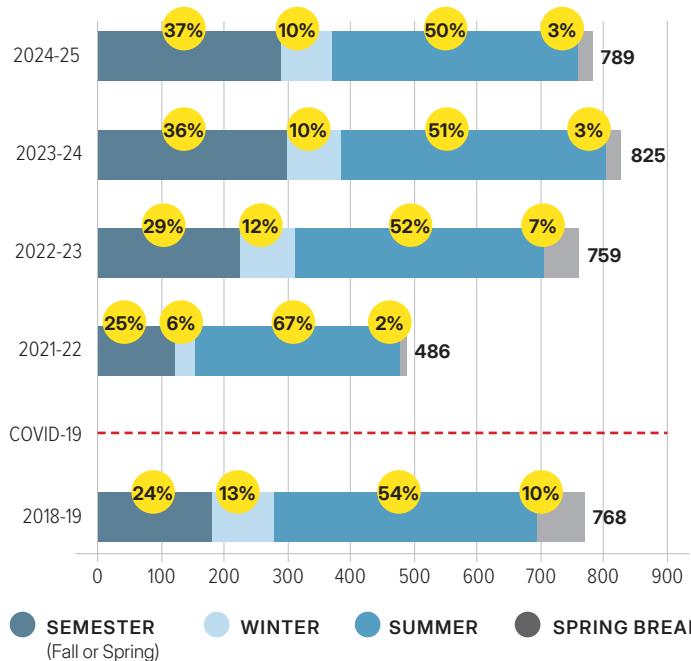
47
External transfer credit

9
Lehigh Launch (Chile)

At a Glance



Experiences by Term



PROFILE



Julia Rock-Torcivia '25

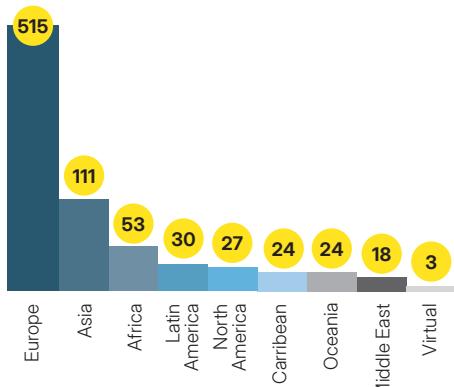
Julia spent six weeks in Ireland contributing to an innovative research project that uses artificial intelligence to trace how early modern poetry circulated across England and Ireland. Through the Lehigh in Ireland study abroad program, she researched at the University of Galway under Professor Erin McCarthy, helping develop a comprehensive dataset on early modern literary culture.

An English major with minors in Biology and Journalism, Julia also studied Gaelic literature and connected with her Irish heritage.

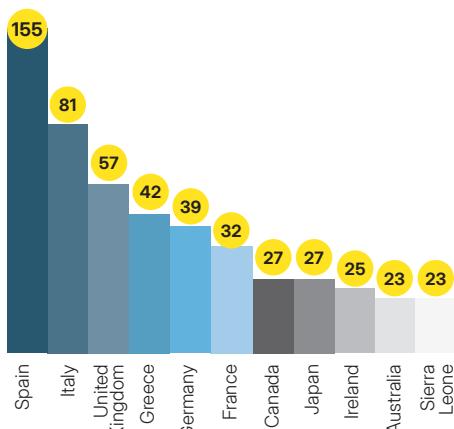
"Studying abroad was an incredible experience," she said. "It broadened my perspective and deepened my appreciation for my field and my roots."

Experiences by Region

Top Regions



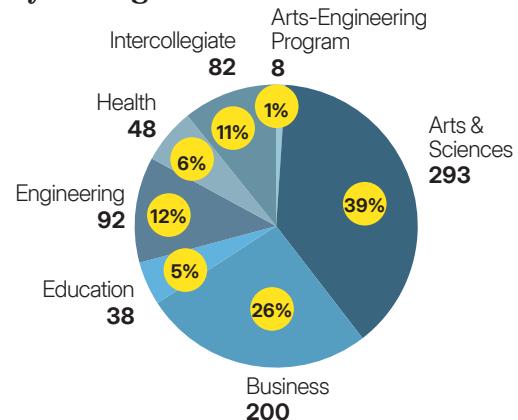
Top Countries



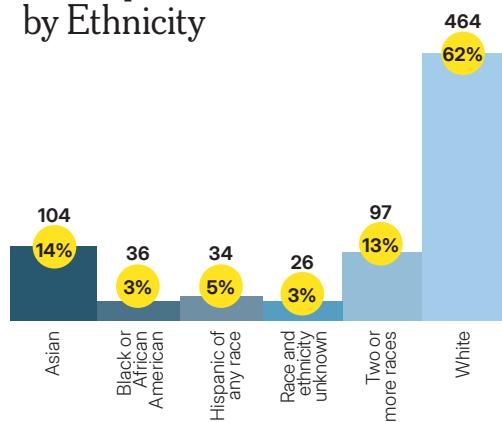
Other Study Abroad Destinations

- Antigua & Barbuda
- Argentina
- Chile
- China
- Costa Rica
- Croatia
- Ghana
- India
- Jordan
- Panama
- Portugal
- Tanzania
- United Arab Emirates

Participants by College



Participants by Ethnicity



Participant Rate by Class



PROFILE



Zena Meighan '24

When Zena first arrived at Lehigh University, she didn't even have a passport. Through Passport to Success, a program that helps first-year students explore international opportunities and obtain free passports, she discovered her path to studying abroad and, ultimately, to Japan.

Zena spent a year studying abroad in Osaka, an experience that inspired her to join Japan's prestigious JET Program as an Assistant Language Teacher. Now living in Kumamoto, she teaches English to young students, a career she credits to Lehigh's global programs for giving her "the opportunities and confidence to follow this path."

PROFILE**Hannah Hagley '26**

Hannah, an Earth and Environmental Science major at Lehigh University, spent the fall 2024 semester in Panama, studying tropical and human ecology through the School for International Training (SIT). The field-based program allows her to conduct hands-on research across coral reefs and rainforests, bringing classroom concepts to life.

Earlier in the summer, Hagley worked in Uganda through Lehigh's Iacocca International Internship Program (IIIP), studying climate impacts on coffee farming. Together, these immersive experiences have inspired her to pursue a global career. "These opportunities opened my eyes to living and working internationally," she said.

Access to International Opportunities

Share of First-Generation (First-Gen) Students**17%**

Study abroad students who identify as First-Gen

18%

Overall students who identify as First-Gen

Share of Pell Grant Recipients**23%**

Study abroad participants who are Pell-eligible

21%

Overall Lehigh students who are Pell-eligible

Passport to Success

Passport to Success is a one year mentorship program that connects first-generation and low-income students with high-impact learning experiences such as study abroad.

49

Number of students who participated in Passport to Success (2024-25)

71

Number of Passport students (current and past) participating in abroad experiences in 2024-25

Financial Need Participants

Lehigh is dedicated to ensuring that all students have the opportunity to study abroad, regardless of financial circumstances.

49%

Students who participated in an abroad experience that received financial aid at Lehigh during the academic year

