THE VALUE OF STUDYING ABROAD

Positively changing lives

Above and beyond the excellent educational opportunities that a Reading degree can offer, Studying Abroad can help students gain a competitive advantage in the employment market as well as enhancing their subject knowledge. Studying Abroad is proven to boost a student’s future career options and employability, as well as helping them gain skills and life experiences that employers seek. It is the most exciting way for students to invest in their future!

What are the benefits?

• A higher proportion of students get a First or a 2:1*, with higher proportion achieving a first than students who are not mobile
• A higher proportion of mobile students get into graduate employment, start on higher starting wages if working in the UK, and rise to Senior Roles. Also there is a lower proportion of mobile students who are unemployed
• Living and studying abroad helps students gain many of the soft and transferable skills actively sought by employers i.e.
  • ability to work collaboratively with a range of backgrounds and countries
  • drive, resilience and a ‘go-getting’ attitude
  • an ability to embrace multiple perspectives and challenge thinking
  • a capacity to develop new skills and behaviours
  • openness to and respect for a range of perspectives

Just like going to University itself, Studying Abroad is a chance to grow, learn more about yourself as well as others, help develop confidence and independence, strength of character, a go-getting attitude and a leaning towards a global mindset.

Reading offers our students a range of international opportunities throughout the world – from integrated short-duration field trips through to a full academic year abroad. We offer comprehensive support to students before, during and after their mobility, as well as a range of bursaries to help offset some of the costs.

We want to help your child realise their potential. Studying Abroad is one of the ways to make this happen.

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Global Graduates into Global Leaders

*Gone International: mobile students and their outcomes – International Unit March 2015)