CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUE
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2020–2021 STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS
SCHOOL FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAINING
STUDY ABROAD
SIT is a leader in immersive, field-based study abroad programs for undergraduates. We offer more than 70 programs in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East, as well as comparative honors (IHP) programs in multiple locations. In addition to our rich history, our programs’ unique qualities—including exceptional locations, independent research, internships, cultural immersion, and deep networks of local partners—make our programs an ideal choice for an extraordinary and transformative study abroad experience.

SIT Study Abroad programs are interdisciplinary and appropriate for a variety of majors. This gives students the opportunity to grapple with the complexities of today’s most pressing issues in specific cultural and geographical contexts or comparatively across several countries.

SIT programs are developed around a framework of the most Critical Global Issues (CGIs) of our time—challenges that transcend borders to touch every human on the planet. We have developed this framework so that the next generation of leaders has the expertise and intercultural understanding to engage multiple identities, perspectives, and cultures in respectful, enduring, and meaningful responses. There are seven CGIs in our framework including: Climate & Environment, Development & Inequality, Education & Social Change, Geopolitics & Power, Global Health & Well-being, Identity & Human Resilience, and Peace & Justice. Explore SIT’s complete CGI Framework.

INTERNATIONAL HONORS PROGRAM

International Honors Programs (IHP) offer students the opportunity to compare and contrast a critical issue in multiple countries within the framework of SIT’s values of community, intercultural understanding, sustainability, social inclusion, and justice. These academically rigorous semester-long programs explore health, human rights, climate change, cities, or food systems across four continents. Students begin examining an issue in the United States and deepen their understanding as they travel to three additional countries. By analyzing issues and systems from a local to global scale, students begin to understand their complexity and the challenges of addressing them. Program themes and locations are developed simultaneously, with locations selected for their relevance to the subject and their contrasts with each other. The IHP curriculum is intensive and includes four courses taught by academics and field specialists, augmented by site visits and research. Learn more about IHP.
Few contemporary challenges are as urgent or contested as climate change and its impact on our environment. The collective efforts of scientists, scholars, politicians, activists, indigenous communities, and concerned citizens are needed to gauge and mitigate environmental and social impacts. Our programs reflect this diversity of perspectives. Natural science-based programs explore global hotspots, with a focus on ecology, biodiversity, and conservation. Social science-based programs emphasize environmental justice. Students in all programs develop the knowledge and skills to become leaders in shaping environmental policies and balancing ecological outcomes for an uncertain future. Explore programs under our Climate & Environment CGI.
**ARGENTINA**
- People, Environment & Climate Change in Patagonia & Antarctica
  Discover how vulnerable ecosystems are impacted by human activity and climate change in Southern Patagonia and Antarctica.
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**AUSTRALIA**
Rainforest, Reef & Cultural Ecology
  Study the ecological patterns and human influences affecting Australia’s two most diverse environments: the Wet Tropics Bioregion and the Great Barrier Reef.
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**ECUADOR**
Comparative Ecology & Conservation
  Explore tropical ecosystems, conduct biological fieldwork, and study conservation in one of the world’s most biodiverse countries.
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**ICELAND**
Climate Change & the Arctic
  Study the impact of climate change on Arctic ecosystems and societies. Visit renewable energy centers, glaciers and awe-inspiring scenery in Iceland and Finland.
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**IHP CLIMATE CHANGE**
The Politics of Land, Water & Energy Justice
  Travel across four continents to witness the causes and social impacts of climate change and examine possibilities for local and global environmental justice.
  sit.edu/ccc

**IHP FOOD SYSTEMS**
Agriculture, Sustainability & Justice
  Understand the dynamics of local food systems in a global context, exploring agriculture, food accessibility, global markets, sustainability and social change.
  sit.edu/rfs

**INDIA**
- Sustainable Development & Social Change
  Explore India’s socioeconomic development and the new urgency in rethinking development to shape a sustainable global future.
  sit.edu/ind

**MADAGASCAR**
- Biodiversity & Natural Resource Management
  Explore rainforests, mangroves, coral reefs, and the environmental challenges of Madagascar, isolated from neighboring land masses for more than 100 million years.
  sit.edu/mge

**MONGOLIA & SIBERIA**
- Nomadism, Geopolitics & the Environment
  Explore Mongolia’s search for balance between environmental conservation and natural resource development on the doorstep of China and Siberia.
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**PANAMA**
Tropical Ecology, Marine Ecosystems & Biodiversity Conservation
  Explore rain forests, coral reefs, highland canopies, and coastal mangroves as you study tropical conservation and ecology.
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**PORTUGAL**
Sustainability & Environmental Justice
  Learn how Portugal’s approach to sustainability and social equity challenges the core principles of mainstream economic theory.
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SAMOA
Social & Environmental Change in Oceania
Discover the social, economic, and political impacts of globalization, westernization, and climate change in Oceania.
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TANZANIA
Wildlife Conservation & Political Ecology
Explore the balance between ecological concerns and socioeconomic objectives in the vast wilderness expanses of northern Tanzania.
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Zanzibar—Coastal Ecology & Natural Resource Management
Explore ecology, natural resource management and sustainability in Tanzania-Zanzibar, on the islands of Unguja, Mafia, and Pemba in the Western Indian Ocean, and mainland Tanzania.
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VIRTUAL INTERNSHIPS

ECUADOR
• Virtual Internship in Environment, Conservation & Ecosystems
Gain professional, intercultural experience interning with an Ecuadorian nongovernmental organization working on environmental and conservation issues.
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INDIA
• Virtual Internship in Environment, Development & Sustainability
Gain professional, intercultural experience interning with a community organization, NGO, or private enterprise focused on environment, development, and sustainability.
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ONLINE LANGUAGE COURSES
Online language courses are also available during the summer. Please visit the SIT World Languages Center to learn more.

CHILE
Spanish Language
sit.edu/cis

INDIA
Hindi Language
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INDONESIA
Bahasa Indonesia Language
sit.edu/abb

JORDAN
Arabic Language
sit.edu/joa

NEPAL
Nepali Language
sit.edu/npl

PERU
Quechua Language
sit.edu/peq

SENEGAL
French Language
sit.edu/sgf

TANZANIA
Swahili Language
sit.edu/tzs

VIETNAM
Vietnamese Language
sit.edu/vnv

SUMMER
Online language courses are also available during the summer. Please visit the SIT World Languages Center to learn more.

ICELAND
Renewable Energy, Technology & Resource Management
Explore natural energy sources and technology’s impact on the environment and economy in Iceland. Gain hands-on experience developing a renewable energy project.
Summer 1 sit.edu/ica Summer 2 sit.edu/ice

INDONESIA
Biodiversity & Conservation in Bali & Borneo
Examine biodiversity, conservation, resource-use patterns, and the restoration of wildlife on the exotic islands of Bali and Borneo.
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**IMMERSIVE IN-PERSON**

**JORDAN**
- Community Empowerment & Climate Change Internship
  Gain professional experience with a UN or government agency or NGO working with youth and vulnerable groups on community empowerment and environmental sustainability.
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- Engineering & Design for Sustainable Environments
  Explore human-centered design and technologies for renewable energy, sustainable farming and water use in arid climates.
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**NEPAL**
- Geoscience in the Himalaya
  Undertake Earth science fieldwork in the spectacular setting of the Nepal Himalaya, one of the most active mountain ranges in the world.
  sit.edu/npg

**SPAIN**
- Sustainable Urban Development & Social Justice
  Explore different approaches Spanish cities are taking to pursue sustainable urban development while confronting social justice issues.
  sit.edu/spu

**TANZANIA**
- Climate Change & Sustainability, Mount Kilimanjaro to Zanzibar
  Study climate change, its human impacts, and national and local solutions in northern and coastal Tanzania.
  sit.edu/tzc

**VIRTUAL INTERNSHIPS**

**INDIA**
- Virtual Internship in Environment, Development & Sustainability
  Gain professional, intercultural experience interning with a community organization, NGO, or private enterprise focused on environment, development, and sustainability.
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**FINANCING YOUR STUDY ABROAD**

**SCHOLARSHIPS & GRANTS**

Each year, SIT awards more than $1.6 million in scholarships and grants to our students. SIT is committed to helping students from diverse economic backgrounds experience field-based international education. Our scholarships are awarded to highly qualified students who demonstrate financial need. Individual awards generally range from **$500–$3,000 for summer programs** and up to **$5,000 for semester programs**. Learn more about applying for scholarship and grants to fund your study abroad.

**SIT PROGRAM PROTECTION**

SIT is an investment in your future. Here’s how we help you protect it.

As you build a strong foundation for your future, you can invest with confidence in SIT. We are committed to protecting your investment in case of program suspensions due to health, safety, or security concerns. As an SIT student, you are entitled to protective measures, which, depending on circumstances, may include refunds, reimbursements, or options to change programs or defer. Learn more about how SIT protects your investment.
The SIT World Languages Center is committed to promoting and preserving indigenous and less commonly taught languages while also providing critical, specialized courses in widely studied languages. The Center is an international community of language educators and learners, which offers high-quality, innovative language-learning opportunities through online and in-person experiential courses for college credit. Explore the courses offered through the SIT World Languages Center.

SIT Graduate Institute

SIT Graduate Institute, a pioneer in experiential education for more than 50 years, offers global master’s degrees and post-graduate programs in the fields of climate change and global sustainability, conflict transformation and peace and justice leadership, international education, sustainable development, and TESOL. Discover SIT Graduate Institute’s programs.
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