CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUE

CLIMATE & ENVIRONMENT

2020–2021 STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS

SCHOOL FOR INTERNATIONAL TRAINING

SIT 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 our comparative International Honors Program (IHP) which spans 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

Beyond our traditional programs, the SIT portfolio also features IHP, which offers 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 two 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.
### Immersive In-Person

**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.
  sit.edu/are

**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.
  sit.edu/ase
- **Sustainability & Environmental Action**
  Surrounded by the inspiring beauty of Australia's World Heritage areas, investigate sustainable ways of protecting the environment and promoting equality.
  sit.edu/asm

**Ecuador**
- **Comparative Ecology & Conservation**
  Explore tropical ecosystems, conduct biological fieldwork, and study conservation in one of the world's most biodiverse countries.
  sit.edu/ece

**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.
  sit.edu/icc

**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

**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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**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.
  sit.edu/mfr

**Panama**
- **Tropical Ecology, Marine Ecosystems & Biodiversity Conservation**
  Explore rain forests, coral reefs, highland canopies, and coastal mangroves as you study tropical conservation and ecology.
  sit.edu/pne

**Portugal**
- **Sustainability & Environmental Justice**
  Learn how Portugal’s approach to sustainability and social equity challenges the core principles of mainstream economic theory.
  sit.edu/por

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**Please note that SIT will make every effort to maintain its programs as described. To respond to emergent situations, however, SIT may have to change or cancel programs. Please see the SIT Study Abroad website for the most up-to-date information, studyabroad.sit.edu.**

- Program offers internship
SAMOA
Social & Environmental Change in Oceania
Discover the social, economic, and political impacts of globalization, westernization, and climate change in Oceania.
sit.edu/wsr

TANZANIA
Wildlife Conservation & Political Ecology
Explore the balance between ecological concerns and socioeconomic objectives in the vast wilderness expanses of northern Tanzania.
sit.edu/tze
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.
sit.edu/tzz

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.
sit.edu/ecv

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.
sit.edu/ine

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

JORDAN
Arabic Language
sit.edu/joa

NEPAL
Nepali Language
sit.edu/npn

TIBETAN 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/nnv

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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**SUMMER**

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

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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.
  sit.edu/job

- Engineering & Design for Sustainable Environments
  Explore human-centered design and technologies for renewable energy, sustainable farming and water use in arid climates.
  sit.edu/jod

**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.

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**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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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.

OUR COMMITMENT TO RESPECT & RESPONSIBILITY
A primary goal of SIT Study Abroad is to promote understanding among people from different parts of the world. This can only be realized if SIT students are committed to respecting others and taking responsibility for their own actions. As such, SIT maintains a set of clear policies regarding student behavior which are outlined in our Student Handbook.

ACCREDITATION
SIT is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education (formerly the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc.). Inquiries regarding the accreditation status should be directed to the administrative staff of SIT. Individuals may also contact NECHE.

SIT has been approved to participate in the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements.

Learn more about SIT’s accreditation.
SIT WORLD LANGUAGES CENTER

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.

HOW TO APPLY

1 FIND A PROGRAM:
Visit studyabroad.sit.edu for complete program descriptions and course syllabi.

2 TALK TO YOUR ADVISORS:
Visit your home college’s study abroad office and meet with your academic advisor.

3 APPLY:
Apply online at: studyabroad.sit.edu/apply
Contact the SIT Study Abroad admissions office at studyabroad@sit.edu, 888 272-7881 (toll-free in the US), or 802 258-3212 with questions.

4 FIND FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIPS:
Talk to your home college’s financial aid office and visit studyabroad.sit.edu/scholarships
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