



**SIT** SCHOOL FOR  
INTERNATIONAL  
TRAINING  
**STUDY ABROAD**

# SIT STUDY ABROAD CUSTOM PROGRAMS

*Partner with  
School for International Training  
to create customized  
international programs*

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## CUSTOM PROGRAM GUIDELINES

SIT seeks academic partnerships that align with our mission to prepare students to become responsible global citizens through experiential education. SIT-partnered custom programs typically relate to one or more of our Critical Global Issues.

In order to keep program fees affordable and facilitate cultural immersion, our partnered programs typically run for at least two weeks and enroll between 10 and 25 students. Programs must take place in countries where SIT has existing local support networks.

## CUSTOM PROGRAM TIMING & COST

Most custom programs run in January or in the summer semester (May–August). Other months may be available depending on program locations.

We accept new program inquiries during the following periods:

### January Programs:

*January–February previous year*

### Summer Programs:

*May–July previous year*

### All other terms:

*One year in advance of program start date*

For more information, please contact us.

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**802 257-7751**

## ABOUT SIT STUDY ABROAD

School for International Training (SIT) provides accredited undergraduate study abroad programs, master's and doctorate degrees, and professional certificates focused on the world's most critical global issues. SIT offers more than 80 programs in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Europe, Latin America, and the Middle East, as well as comparative programs in multiple locations.

Our programs give students the opportunity to explore complex critical issues such as global health, sustainable development, biodiversity, human rights, migration, peacebuilding, and more in distinctive cultural and geographical contexts. We prepare students to be forward-thinking professionals and informed citizens committed to responsible global citizenship.

## WHY PARTNER WITH SIT ON CUSTOM PROGRAMS?

SIT puts experiential education at the forefront of student learning, focusing on critical global issues and strategies to drive lasting change. Our programs are tailored to meet partners' needs and goals, leveraging our extensive teams of in-country educators, networks, and contacts.

## TYPES OF ASSISTANCE

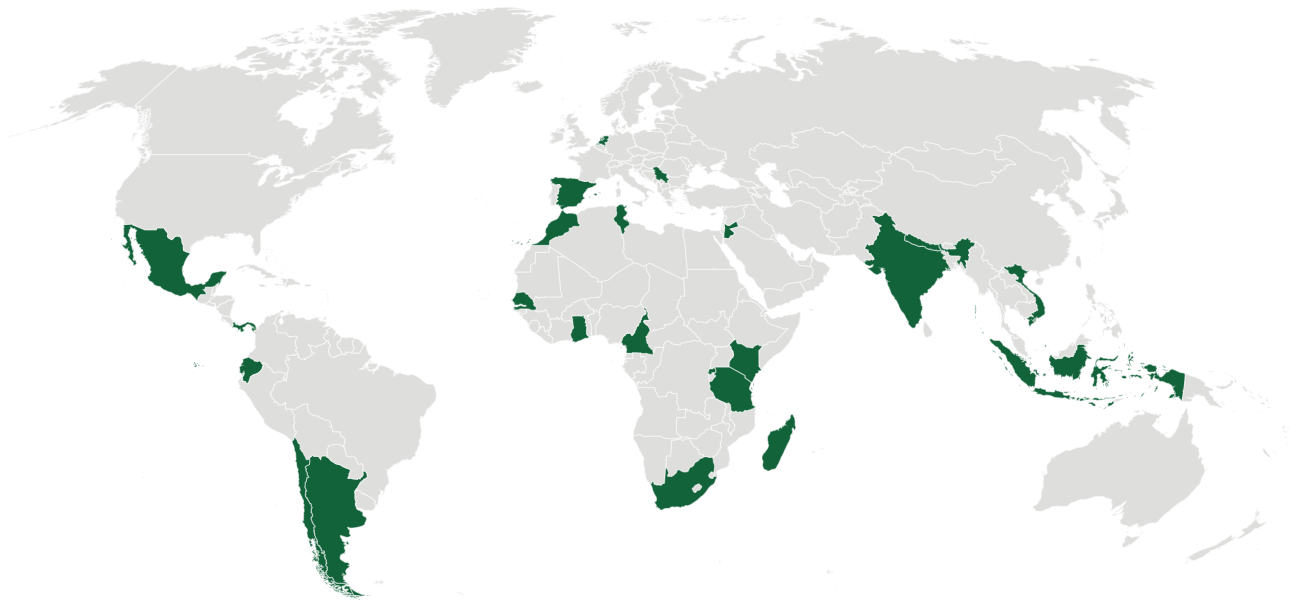
SIT takes a collaborative approach to custom program design and implementation:

### ACADEMIC SUPPORT

- Curriculum and program design
- Field-based experiential learning opportunities
- In-country SIT academic directors who lead SIT's undergraduate and graduate programs
- Networks of guest lecturers and local experts for program activities
- Language instruction at various levels
- Unique cultural activities including opportunities for peer-to-peer engagement
- Community-led internships and reciprocity projects
- Fieldwork ethics and research methodology and projects
- Debrief and discussion facilitation, grounded in the Experiential Learning Cycle

### LOGISTICS COORDINATION & STUDENT SUPPORT

- Pre-departure support for faculty and students, including country-specific health and safety briefings
- In-country orientations and end-of-program debriefs
- Housing and meal arrangements, including optional homestays with SIT's vetted network of trusted local families
- Classroom space at SIT program centers and other venues
- Local transportation
- Medical, evacuation, and quarantine insurance
- 24-hour on-call support with professionals from the office of SIT Student Health, Safety & Well-being and mental health counselors



Availability at our SIT program sites (*right*) depends on program dates, duration, capacity, and other factors.

SIT works with school partners to design programs that fit your curriculum, desired learning outcomes, and academic goals.

Co-facilitated with partner faculty leaders and SIT local program faculty/staff to support a range of course topics, disciplinary areas, and learning objectives.

Co-developed with the school partner; day-to-day management of the program is provided by SIT's local program staff.

SIT supports institutions that opt to share resources in a custom program.

Students are matched with local organizations and institutions that provide meaningful opportunities for hands-on learning.

Skills-based or thematic professional development seminars that include lectures, site visits, and networking with local academics for faculty or study abroad professionals.

Short-term intensive study and semester-long academic instruction.

Adapted to a virtual environment, these can include site visits, guest lectures, community engagement and cultural activities, and language instruction. Virtual elements can also be included for on-site programs, such as pre-departure lectures and discussions.

Argentina  
Cameroon  
Chile  
Ecuador  
Ghana  
India  
Indonesia  
Jordan  
Kenya  
Madagascar  
Mexico  
Morocco  
Nepal  
Netherlands  
Panama  
Rwanda  
Samoa  
Senegal  
Serbia  
South Africa  
Spain  
Tanzania  
Tunisia  
Vietnam



## A FRAMEWORK OF CRITICAL GLOBAL ISSUES

SIT develops all programs around a framework of Critical Global Issues—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.



Climate &  
Environment



Development  
& Inequality



Education &  
Social Change



Geopolitics  
& Power



Global Health  
& Well-being



Identity &  
Human Resilience



Peace &  
Justice

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The incredible staff at SIT helped us to develop an outstanding short-term travel course to Nepal and an incredible one-of-a-kind online international immersive program to Bali. They are thoughtful, highly professional, and deeply committed to providing students with the best and most engaged international experience possible. We cannot wait to work with them again.

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**KATHARINE LOEVY**

*Associate Professor of Philosophy  
Pacific University*

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SIT's care and attention to health and safety considerations during the pandemic made us more comfortable about running the program. We knew that our students would be safe and looked after. In addition, SIT ensured that we took steps to mitigate the impact of our travel on the local community.

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**LANE MARDER MED**

*Associate Director of Program Development  
Northeastern University*



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