

# Annual Study Abroad Photo Essay Contest

## Information and Application Instructions

### About the Contest:

The Annual Study Abroad Photo Essay Contest is established to recognize the importance of UNI students' international experiences and promote studying abroad to other UNI students and the community.

### Prizes:

**1<sup>st</sup> place:** Monetary award of \$75 and certificate of recognition

**2<sup>nd</sup> place:** Monetary award of \$50 and certificate of recognition

**3<sup>rd</sup> place:** Monetary award of \$25 and certificate of recognition

The awards will be applied directly to students' UNI accounts.

### Eligibility Requirements:

Students eligible for participation should be:

- ⇒ currently enrolled to UNI ***and***
- ⇒ have studied *in the past* or *currently* studying abroad on the following programs:
  - UNI Exchange program or
  - Iowa Regents program or
  - UNI Summer program or
  - UNI Affiliate program
    - ISEP-Direct (International Student Exchange Program)
    - CEA (Cultural Experiences Abroad)
    - ISA (International Study Abroad)

### To Participate Please Submit:

1. Study Abroad Photo Essay Contest Application Form
2. Account of your experience abroad to support your "picture story" (500 - 750 words) illustrated with photos
3. 10-15 pictures from your trip tied together with the text of the essay (in a digital format, saved as separate files from your photo essay)
4. Your picture (digital version)

### Format Requirements:

- ⇒ Photo essays must be submitted in electronic (portable) format on a disk. E-mail is acceptable in case a current study abroad participant is competing.
- ⇒ Essays should have a title.
- ⇒ Textual description should not exceed 500-750 words.
- ⇒ 10-15 photos need to be used to support the text.
- ⇒ Any form or style can be chosen for the essay. It can be frequently asked questions, verse, prose, etc. Pictures may be in color or black & white. Use your imagination!

### Submit to:

Study Abroad Photo Essay Contest Committee  
Study Abroad Center, [study-abroad@uni.edu](mailto:study-abroad@uni.edu)

### Review of Applications:

Essays will be reviewed by the Study Abroad Photo Essay Committee. All applicants will be invited to a reception on April 15 where photo essays will be presented and winners will be awarded. Refreshments will be provided. Essays will be judged using the following criteria: creativity, literary style, selection and quality of photos, and the overall unity of photos and text information.

### Important Dates:

Application deadline: March 31

Award date: April 15

# Annual Study Abroad Photo Essay Contest Application Form

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**UNI ID Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Local Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Major:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Current Classification:**

First Year Student       Sophomore       Junior  
 Senior       Graduate

**Length of the study abroad program:**

Full Academic Year  
 Semester  
 Summer/Short-term

**Type of program:**

UNI Exchange  
 Iowa Regents  
 UNI Affiliate  
 Short-term

**Classification when studying abroad (if different from current):**

First Year Student       Sophomore       Junior  
 Senior       Graduate

**Country you have studied at:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of the University:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates of the semester abroad:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name of the Photo Essay:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_      **Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**You also need to submit on a disk:**

- Account of your experience abroad to support your 'picture story' along with photos
- 10-15 pictures (digital, saved in separate files)
- Your picture

It is necessary to submit a digital version on a disk.

You are also welcome to turn in a hard copy along with the disk.