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Hi!

Selected University of Nebraska (UNL) study abroad programs are being studied to determine if international educational experiences have an impact on student lives and, if so, in what manner. As a recent UNL study abroad participant, we request your help by taking part in this pilot study.

If you agree, please complete the following survey, which will probably take about 10 minutes. There are no right or wrong answers. We are only interested in your personal opinions and perceptions about study abroad through the University of Nebraska.

The data will then be analyzed and a report generated for further in-depth understanding of the possible impact of studying abroad on the lives of students. All results will be treated with strict confidence. Your privacy will be protected to the maximum extent allowable by law. The survey data will be reported in aggregate so no one will be identified.

If you have any questions regarding this study or would like to receive a copy of the final results, please contact:

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Thank you!

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Study Abroad Impact Survey

Study Abroad Background Information

Please complete the following information about your most recent study abroad experience through UNL.

1. Study abroad program name: _____
2. Study abroad program location(s): _____
3. Length of study abroad program:
 1-3 weeks 4-6 weeks 7-9 weeks semester academic year
4. Academic term of study abroad program:
 Fall semester Winter break Spring semester Spring break Summer Academic year
5. Including your most recently-completed experience, how many times have you engaged in college-level study abroad programs?
 Once Twice Three times Four times or more
6. How many times have you been outside the United States for any reason other than study abroad (not counting day trips to Canada or Mexico)?
 Never Once Twice Three times Four times or more
7. Have you studied or do you speak a language other than English? No Yes
8. Was there a foreign language prerequisite for your study abroad program? No Yes
9. The following represents my ability to speak, read and/or comprehend a foreign language. Novice, intermediate, Advanced
10. Would you recommend this study abroad experience to others? No Yes

Values, Skills, and Attitudes Related to Your Study Abroad Experience

Below is a list of statements concerning personal, intercultural, professional/career, and academic skills, values, and attitudes. On a scale of 1-5, with 1 being "strongly disagree," 2 being "disagree," 3 being "neither disagree nor agree," 4 being "agree," and 5 being "strongly agree," please indicate your response for the following statements in each of the columns below.

In the "Know Now" column, evaluate your current thinking *after* studying abroad by checking the appropriate number. In the "Thought I Knew" column, check what you remember thinking *before* studying abroad.

If you have done more than one college-level study abroad program, use the "Thought I Knew" column to describe your thinking *before your very first study abroad experience*.

		Know Now (after study abroad)					Thought I Knew (before study abroad)				
		Strongly Disagree		Strongly Agree			Strongly Disagree		Strongly Agree		
<i>EXAMPLE</i> <small>(Bold-face, underlined numbers in place of boxes).</small>	I can quickly and accurately exchange currency in a foreign country.	1	2	3	<u>4</u>	5	1	2	3	4	<u>5</u>
		<small><i>What you <u>know</u> <u>now</u> after studying abroad that you actually can do.</i></small>					<small><i>What you <u>thought</u> you knew before you studied abroad.</i></small>				
11	I have a good understanding of the culture of my study abroad host country.	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
12	I have a good understanding of international issues.	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
13	I have a good understanding of my own culture.	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
14	I am curious about other cultures.	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
15	Knowing a foreign language provides a tool for understanding foreign cultures.	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>
16	I interact effectively with people having backgrounds different from mine.	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>	5 <input type="checkbox"/>

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17	I appreciate human difference.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
18	I seek out a diverse group of friends.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
19	Foreign language training is an important aspect of a college education.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
20	I want to improve my foreign language skills.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
21	I am inclined to try new experiences.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
22	I take the initiative on projects.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
23	I interact well with people who hold different interests, values or perspectives.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
24	I know what career I want to pursue.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
25	I am good at setting priorities.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
26	I understand how cultural differences affect the workplace.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
27	I am good at gaining knowledge from my experiences.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
28	I can apply information from one context to new, broader contexts.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
29	I am resourceful in accomplishing assignments.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
30	I am good at conveying ideas verbally to colleagues.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
31	I am flexible in adapting to situations of change.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
32	I am good at understanding concepts.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
33	I am good at integrating and applying information.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
34	I would describe my thinking as being systematic.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
35	I would describe myself as inquisitive.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
36	When analyzing an argument, I am good at recognizing logical inconsistencies.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>
37	I have adjusted my career/professional goals.	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/>

Demographic Information

55. College: _____

56. Major: _____

57. Academic level: Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Grad student

58. UN-L ID# (last five digits): _ _ _ _ _

59. Gender: Male Female

60. (Voluntary) Ethnic/racial group:
 African American Asian/Pacific Islander Hispanic Native American White Non-U.S. citizen Other _____

61. If you have comment, please share them here: _____

Thank you for your participation!