WFU Center for Global Programs and Studies
Global Abroad Ambassador Program

The Center for Global Programs & Studies (GPS) is seeking student volunteers who will supplement the study abroad advising process by providing a student perspective to prospective study abroad participants.

**Volunteer Position Description**
The main function of a Global Abroad Ambassador is to act as a student representative of the GPS, sharing their experience and knowledge of study abroad. Global Abroad Ambassadors assist with study abroad related events, social media, meet with interested students/groups, and act as guides throughout the study abroad preparation process.

**Required Tasks**
GAAs are expected to contribute an average of 1-3 hours per week to the position.

- Mandatory orientation and training during the first week of classes
- GAA meeting every month with Global Abroad Programs & Studies (GPS) staff
- Assisting GPS staff with info sessions, pre-departure sessions, panels, and other events and initiatives
  - GAAs may be given the opportunity to lead some sessions
- Answer student queries about your program, host country and studying abroad in general via email or face to face meetings
- Actively participating in the Study Abroad social media pages: Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Pinterest, Snapchat, etc.
- Contribute articles to the Study Abroad Newsletter
- Creating a digital project of your choice about your experience
- Other duties as assigned or suggested by you

**Benefits**
- Advising and leadership experience
- Hands-on training and experience in the field of International Education
- Enhance public speaking and intercultural communication skills
- The opportunity to lead some study abroad workshops
- The opportunity to talk about your international experience with your peers
- Experience for your resume
- Build relationships with the Center for Global Programs and Studies
- Learn about how a study abroad office functions

**Responsibilities**
- Willingness to commit to the GPS and contribute for the entire academic year
- Represent the GPS responsibly, accurately, and professionally
- Commitment to effectively communicate the policies and procedures of WFU Study Abroad and work to forward the goals and mission of the GPS
- Sharing information about GPS and policies with other students and student organizations
- Provide GPS with the student perspective on the study abroad experience, and suggest new initiatives
**Desired Traits and Qualifications**

- Previous participation on an approved study abroad program
- Enthusiasm and passion towards study abroad
- Awareness of world geography and at least one specific country or world region
- Experience with public speaking preferred
- Strong interpersonal, oral, and written communication skills
- Willingness to recruit program participants and promote study abroad

**Important Dates**

- August: Mandatory global ambassador orientation usually during the first week of classes
- September: Study abroad fair; Study abroad information sessions; Re-entry events
- October: Begin work on your digital project
- November: Pre-departure workshops (budgeting, travel, cooking)
- January: Study abroad fair; Study abroad information sessions; re-entry events
- February – March: Work on your digital project; study abroad information sessions and student panels
- April: Pre-departure orientations and workshops; present final digital project.
- May: Final celebratory Global Ambassador meal

**Application Deadline**

Applicants will be notified by early August. If you have any further questions, please contact Anna Marter, Study Abroad Advisor (martera@wfu.edu)