

# STUDENT PERSPECTIVES



## Zach Griffith

NU India: Critical Issues - Summer 2013

La Trobe University in Bendigo, Australia - Fall 2013

NU Turkey: Politics, Economics, and Society - Summer 2015

**These experiences have given me the confidence to embark on new challenges, throw myself outside of my comfort zone, and think through problems in a much more critical manner. The value of studying abroad outweighs the costs, but no one truly understands that until they experience it first-hand. I thankfully got the opportunity to experience it first-hand, and it has made me the proud person I am today.**

## Hannah Gill

Agder University in Kristiansand, Norway - Spring 2012

NU India: Critical Issues - Summer 2013

TUSA Ambassador Summer Scholarship Program in Tainan, Taiwan - Summer 2014

American Exchange Center Internship in Xi'an, China - Spring 2015

**All of the obstacles I anticipated to studying abroad — finances, graduation expectations, and good old-fashioned nervousness — turned into signs that led me to new experiences. Each program and location, from long-term to faculty-led summer to language intensive and finally my internship with the American Exchange Center, have provided me with the knowledge I was seeking. Whether it is in Scandinavia, India, Taiwan, or Xi'an, these opportunities have provided me with the knowledge to say, 謝謝您 — or respectively, thank you.**



## Jarred Byers

Nene Field Ambassador Scholarship in the Netherlands and Estonia - Summer 2012

NU India: Critical Issues - Summer 2013

TUSA Ambassador Summer Scholarship Program in Tainan, Taiwan - Summer 2015

UESTC in Chengdu, China - Academic Year 2015-2016

**Studying abroad expands your mind in an irreversible way. Simultaneously, you realize just how small you are but also how many opportunities exist in the world. Once your mind has been exposed to the larger world, you will not be able to live in your little bubble back home ever again.**