

PRESS RELEASE

Study and Go Abroad Fair, Canada's largest international university expo, returns to Toronto on October 1 and 2, 2011.

The Study and Go Abroad Fair, now in its 18th year, features top universities and student travel companies from all over the world offering undergraduate and graduate programs, gap year options and adventure travel for students of all ages. A full program of information seminars on a range of exciting topics is scheduled throughout the day starting at 12 noon with internationally recognised guest speaker Jean-Marc Hachey, author of *The BIG Guide to Living and Working Overseas*.

"This is a great opportunity for students to make their dreams a reality", says Anita Kuehnel, Director. "There is a misconception that studying abroad is expensive, which doesn't have to be the case. University fees vary greatly depending on the country and the program, and various academic and athletic scholarships are available, especially in the US and England."

Over 100 universities and student travel companies from the UK, USA, Australia, Sweden, Italy, Canada and many other countries will take part in the Study and Go Abroad Fairs to meet with interested students. Top-ranked universities include UCL (ranked 4th in the QS World University Rankings 2011) and King's College London from England; the University of Melbourne and the University of New South Wales from Australia; the Chinese University of Hong Kong; the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and Thomas M Cooley Law School, the largest law school in the USA; and Lund University from Sweden.

Visitors who are planning a gap year, or looking for other travel options can visit the Travel Pavilion, which includes VisitOz for work programs in Australia; Contiki Holidays; Travel CUTS; Developing World Connections, International Service Learning, Katimavik, Canada World Youth and GVI (volunteering), Katimavik (a Canadian volunteer service program) and The Washington Centre for Internships and Academic Seminars.

Seminar schedules and exhibitor profiles can be found online on www.studyandgoabroad.com, as well as details of our Grand Prize Draw. Prizes include a return flight to Australia offered by expo sponsor, Qantas, a two-week Beaches and Reefs Contiki Holidays trip and a Travel CUTS volunteer trip to Tanzania.

According to the Canadian Bureau of International Education (CBIE)'s *World of Learning: Canadian Post-Secondary Students and the Study Abroad Experience* report, 90% of the general public believes that study abroad is a valuable experience. According to the same survey, 91% of employers were also on board and identified an extensive list of benefits, including a better understanding of cultural differences inside and outside the workplace, more world experience which makes for an easier

adaptation to unfamiliar environments and enhanced life skills. Students graduating in the 21st century need international skills to succeed in today's global economy and many believe that studying abroad should be an expectation.

Additional notes for media: Study and Go Abroad Fairs

Study and Go Abroad Fairs, organized by Recruit in Canada, are Canada's largest international university Fairs. Exhibitors from around the world meet with students and adults who are researching their options for post-secondary studies overseas, as well as opportunities to work, volunteer, intern or learn a language abroad.

LOCATIONS AND TIMES:

Toronto: October 1 and 2, Metro Toronto Convention Centre from 1 to 6pm. Free seminars are offered throughout the day beginning at 12 noon with guest speaker Jean-Marc Hachey, author of *The BIG Guide to Living and Working Overseas*.

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