

Other opportunities in the US

UK students have access to many short-term study abroad opportunities in the USA.

Studying abroad in the USA can have many benefits, such as:

- Getting a taste for US higher education
- Supporting your application for further, long-term US education

Undergraduate-level programmes

University exchanges

Many UK universities have established exchange programmes with US universities or US-based study abroad programmes. This can be a logistically simpler option as your university in the UK will help you work out many of the details. You can contact the study abroad office of the UK university for more information!

Summer Institutes

Fulbright organises The Study of the US Institutes for Student Leaders (SUSI), which are intensive, short-term academic programmes. It provides groups of undergraduate student leaders with a deeper understanding of the US, while enhancing their leadership skills.

American studies

If you love the US, you can even consider taking an entire degree to study it! American Studies degrees normally combine American literature, history, politics and even film. Several UK universities offer American Studies as a degree programme, with the opportunity to study one year in the US.

Internships/summer work and secondary school opportunities

There are a variety of opportunities to undertake internships or summer work in the US, such as the popular Camp America programme where international students can work as camp counselors in the US. There are also a number of opportunities for secondary school students such as exchange and summer programmes.

The US Department of State J-1 Visa Visitor Exchange programme website lists full details for several exchange opportunities, which we have linked on our website.

Opportunities include:

- Au pairing
- Internships for current or recently graduated university students
- Secondary school exchanges
- Summer camp work, like Camp America
- Summer work and travel for full-time university students
- Summer programmes for secondary school students, with details of opportunities listed on directories like TeenLife.com

Postgraduate study

If you decide that you are not quite ready to head to the US for four years as an undergraduate, you might consider tabling the idea until you reach postgraduate study. Our EducationUSA advisors at the Fulbright Commission also provide advice on postgraduate study in the US. We have on our website a step-by-step guide with advice on choosing, funding and applying to US postgraduate study.

The other good news is that billions of dollars are invested in postgraduate research in the US every year. So on postgraduate level, there are many opportunities to find funding to study in the US through university fellowships and assistants.

Fulbright awards

One example of an external fellowship is our Fulbright Postgraduate Awards, which are the only scholarships available for academic work in any graduate programme at any accredited US university. The All Disciplines Award can be applied to any master's or doctoral degree at any accredited US university, as well as for independent research projects.

We also offer several Awards partnered with US universities and professional or charitable bodies who are looking for Fulbrighters interested in specific academic disciplines.

For more information related to eligibility and specific awards, see our website.