



Study Abroad in US and Canada



Brief introduction

Who am I?

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Agenda

- *COVID-19*
- *Why study abroad and what to consider before applying*
- *Destinations in US and Canada*
- *Student presentation – Ditte, Architectural Engineering*
- *Application Info and Deadline*

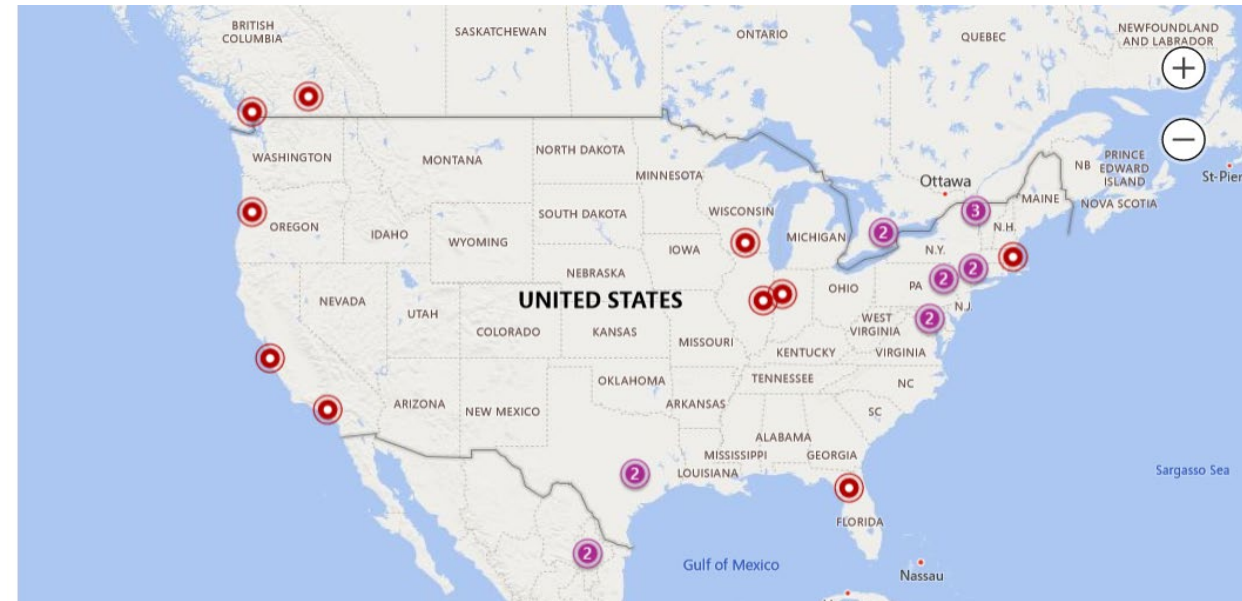
COVID19-situation

The situation right now

- *Still a pandemic and uncertainties remain*
- *North America – a fairly stable situation*

Study Abroad in the US and Canada

- *DTU has 17 exchange partners in USA and 4 in Canada*
- *Global E3 – a good option in the US*
- *Potential of additional partners...*



Academic Calendars US and Canada

Regular Spring semesters:

- *Early September – mid December*

Quarters (terms):

- *Fall (Sept – Dec) – max 20 ECTS-points*
 - *Dartmouth College*
 - *Oregon State University*
 - *Drexel University*
 - *University of California, Santa Cruz*

Graduate or Undergraduate

- *Undergraduate means bachelor level*
- *Graduate is a mix of MSc and PhD-level*
- *A bachelor's degree in the US and Canada is 4 years long*
- *Combining undergraduate and graduate courses is often tricky, and cannot be guaranteed before you have arrived on campus*

- *If you are a MSc-level student at DTU, you can normally use an undergraduate agreement – as long as you take 4th year courses*

Language Tests

- *For some partners in the US and Canada an English test may be required*
- *If a language test is required, this will be stated on DTU Beyond Borders*
- *If so, you must be registered for the test before submitting your application*



Financial Concerns

- *USA and Canada are expensive countries*
- *Insurance will usually be about 1000 USD per semester*
- *You will not have to pay tuition in the US or Canada*
 - *But there will be other administrative fee's*
- *If you want a less costly exchange stay, consider our partners in Europe*

University of Texas at Austin

- Ranked very high
- No TOEFL-requirement
- Requirement of one course in engineering
- Only undergraduate

THE UNIVERSITY OF
TEXAS
AT AUSTIN



- Located in Austin, Texas
- “Keep Austin weird!”
- Capital of Texas

University of Wisconsin-Madison

- Highly Ranked Research University
- Courses mainly at College of Engineering, but also other areas
- Both graduate and undergraduate enrolment
- No TOEFL-test req.
- Expected min. GPA: 7

Located in Madison, WI
(2,5 hours NW of Chicago)

College town (-ish)



College of Engineering
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MADISON

University of Maryland



- Highly Ranked
- Many courses available - in both science and engineering
- Undergraduate and graduate agreement
- Expected GPA: 7



- Located in College Park, MD
- Suburb of Washington DC

- University network (about 75 members)
- Strong focus on engineering
- Most partners located in the US
- TOEFL-requirement
- Great if you if...
 - *You want to go to a partner in the network that we don't have an agreement with*
 - *If you just want to go on exchange to USA, but your GPA is not the highest*



Global E3

Process:

- Apply for a Global E3 exchange (just as if it was a university)
- Make your application to GE3, with up to 5 priorities

Downside

You will not know where you are going until late in the process

Study Abroad in North America

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Architectural Engineering

My stays abroad

Bachelor - *Fall 2019*



Master - *Spring 2022*

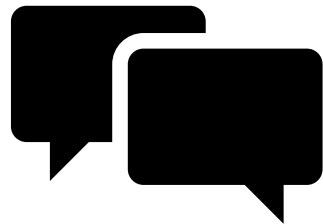


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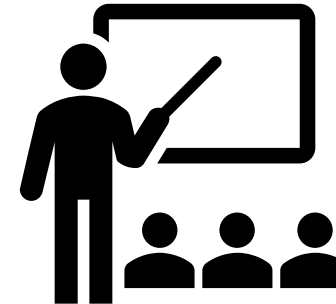
Why did I apply for exchange?

- Improve my language skills
- New perspective on learning
- International friends → network
- Boost CV
- *Bonus:* American college life

Why did I pick that university?



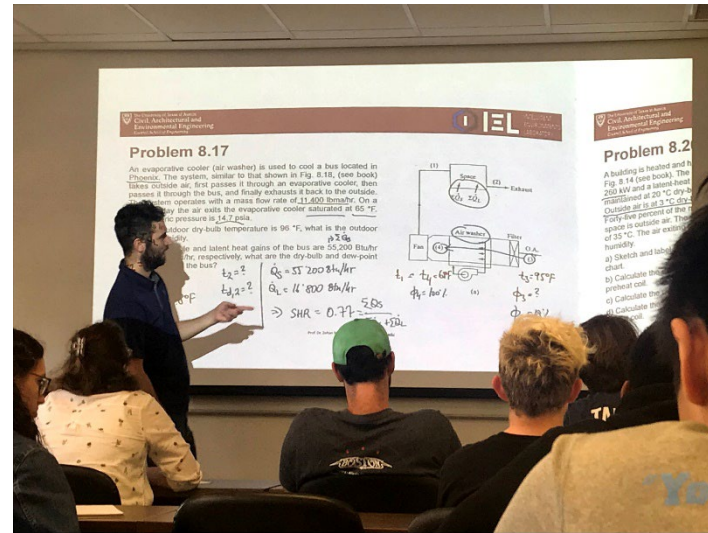
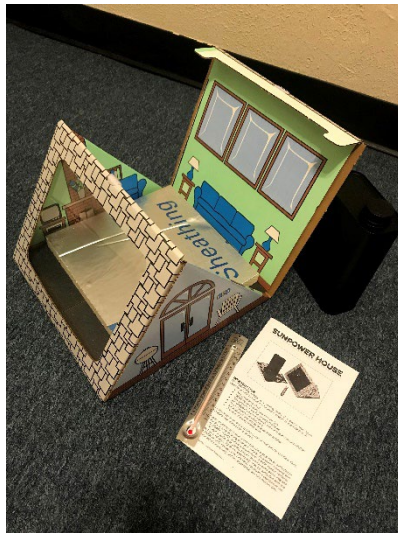
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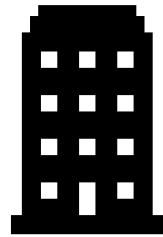
Courses

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- Higher but easier workload
- Smaller classes



Housing



- Co-op
 - Cheaper
 - Work
 - Social



- House
 - Cheaper
 - Locals
 - Private

Campus life

- Clubs
- Free gym
- Dining hall
= social hub



Free time



NYC trip



Hiking trip



Pizza night



Casino trip



Ice skating

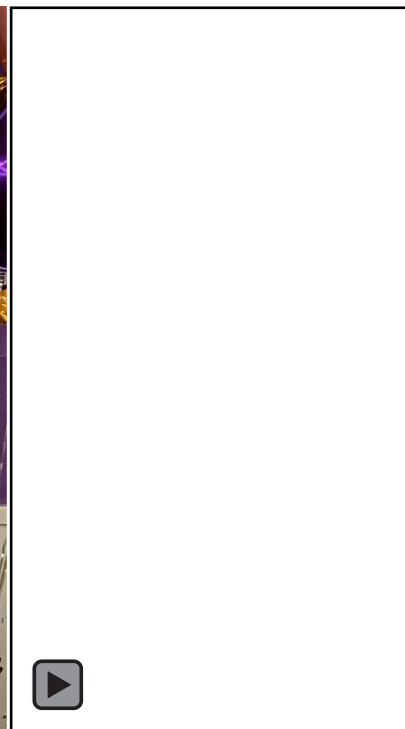
University Sport



Holidays



The American Experience



What did I gain from my experience?

- Lifelong friendships
- Improved my language skills
- A better cultural understanding
- Appreciation of the Danish system and DTU

Advice

- Friendship programs
- Set a “social goal”
- Look into transport
- Bachelor vs. Master



Questions?

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Application and Deadline



Good to know

- *You can apply for any destination!*
but be aware of the agreement details:
 - *Is it university wide? Is it with a specific faculty/school/department?*
 - *Is the agreement at undergraduate or at graduate level?*
- *Check travel reports for inspiration (on Beyond Borders)*
- *Do your research well*
 - *Once you are selected, you will not be able change your destination*

How to apply?

Online application on Beyond Borders

- *Your transcript (karakterudskrift)*
- *A GPA Calculation Sheet*
- *Language proficiency documentation if needed*

The next deadline is December 1

- *Online Application Workshop November 22*

Important things to keep in mind

- *You can apply for as many priorities as you want*
- *Only apply for places you really want to go to and have researched well*
- *Once you are selected, you will not be able change your destination!*



Find out more

Process and requirements: www.studyabroad.dtu.dk

Destinations/agreements, travel reports & application system: <http://beyondborders.dtu.dk>

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Questions?

Thank you for your attention!

After the meeting

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