World Learning’s exchange programs help people from different walks of life find their voices, transform, and lead, while making their communities better places in which to live.

Through exposure to other cultures, people from all corners of the world develop the values necessary to work together effectively. They create global partnerships, which are vital to resolving the world’s biggest challenges such as global security, economic instability, and social inequality.

**World Learning envisions a world in which students, skilled professionals, and citizens everywhere are capable of driving innovative change in their communities.**

With impact in more than 150 countries, our exchange programs transform this vision into reality.

**U.S. GOVERNMENT-FUNDED EXCHANGES**

World Learning supports more than 6,000 leaders of all ages each year on exchange programs. The U.S. government is a leading donor of these programs, which are a critical tool for diplomacy as they promote understanding of U.S. values and cultivate cross-cultural relationships.

Exchanges empower a diverse cross-section of people to develop and transform their communities by offering them world-class academic and professional opportunities. Academic exchanges place international students in colleges and universities around the U.S. and globally to strengthen their leadership and career-specific skills. Youth exchanges help young people from around the world learn about leadership, critical global issues, and peacebuilding. And exchange programs for professionals allow Americans and visitors from abroad to share expertise and get a first-hand look at best practices, and build partnerships.
THE EXPERIMENT IN INTERNATIONAL LIVING

In the 85 years since the first group of students sailed to Europe on our flagship exchange program, The Experiment in International Living has designed singular experiences for young people wishing to explore the world.

The Experiment offers immersive summer programs that give high school students the opportunity — many for the first time — to discover new cultures and skills while forging lifelong friendships. This is accomplished through The Experiment’s emphasis on experiential learning as well as our pioneering homestay program that places each student with a local family.

Young leaders are instrumental to creating a more peaceful and just world, and Experimenters explore critical global themes such as arts and social change; sustainability and the environment; and peace, politics, and human rights. Students return home transformed. Their newfound understanding of the world gives them the skills to flourish in school and in life.

SIT STUDY ABROAD

Since its founding in 1964 as a training center for Peace Corps Volunteers, School for International Training (SIT) has been a globally focused educational institution grounded in the experiential values of its forebear, The Experiment in International Living. SIT Study Abroad is an accredited study abroad provider partnering with hundreds of colleges and universities around the U.S. to open a wide window to the world for undergraduate students.

SIT’s deep roots in social justice, its experiential framework, and its connections to local communities and leaders make it uniquely positioned to pioneer a new model of global education, one that brings together students from around the world to learn from in-country experts about critical global issues. With SIT’s connections and expertise on the ground in more than 30 countries, the potential for this type of international education is limitless. SIT’s promise is to leverage this extraordinary network to build thoughtful leaders and change lives.

THE EXPERIMENT BY THE NUMBERS

32 Programs in 26 Countries
504 Experimenters in Summer 2017
70,000 Alumni Over 85 Years
$2 Million Given in Scholarships Annually
497 Homestay Families Summer 2017

WHERE STUDENTS TRAVEL

TOP 5 AREAS OF STUDY

34% STEM
22.6% POLICY & GOVERNANCE
16% SOCIAL SCIENCE
10.7% SOCIOLOGY/ANTHROPOLOGY
7.3% HUMANITIES