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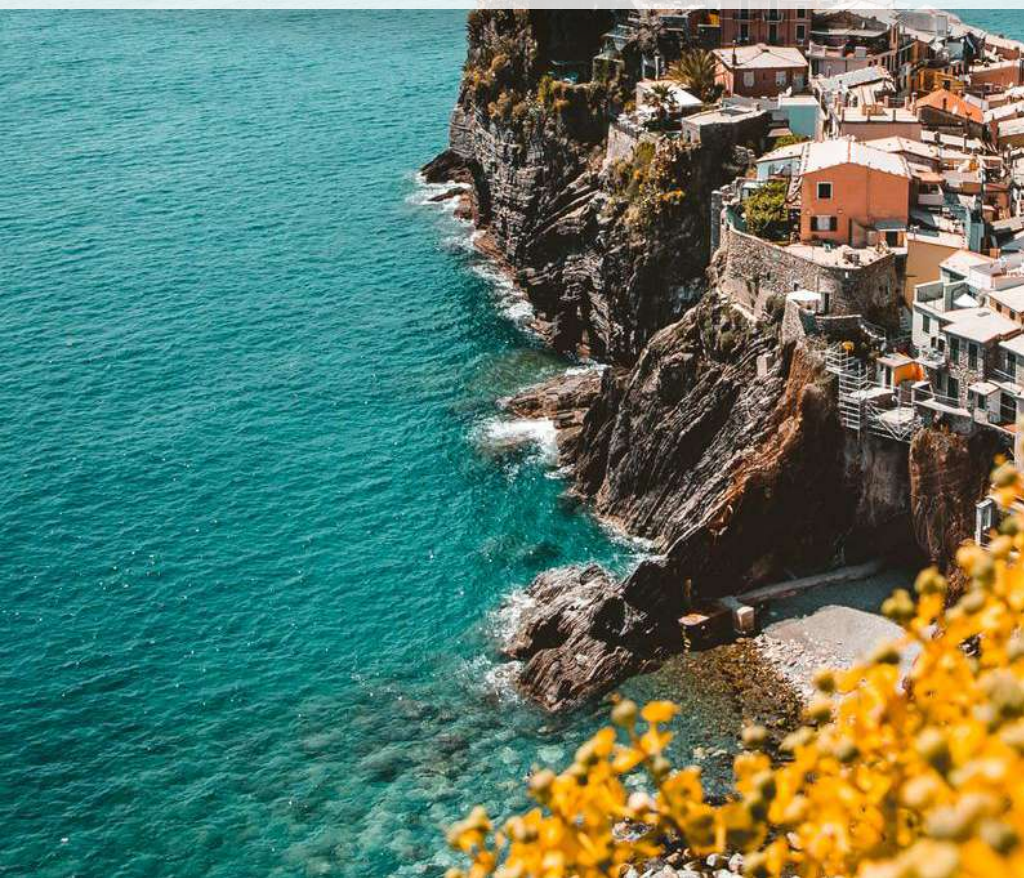


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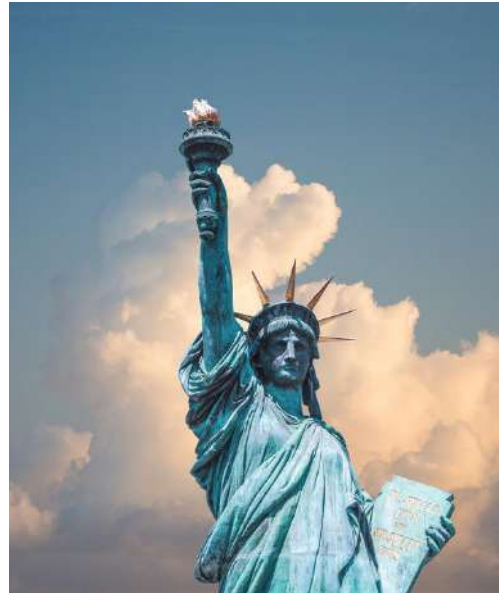
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STATES

SEIZE YOUR CHANCE TO STUDY AT THE WORLD'S
MOST PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITIES

UNITED STATES

If you're looking for vibrant offerings from liberal arts colleges, specialized universities, or even community colleges, look no further than the US. With so many options, students have an array of choices located near national parks, theme parks, contemporary cuisine, and centers of entertainment. To understand more about the culture in the US, there is a need to recognize that US states are commonly divided into these regions: the West, Midwest, Northeast, and South.



While each state in the US has its own distinctive qualities, the West Coast (e.g. California, Washington, and Oregon) is generally more laid-back compared to the Northeast (e.g. Massachusetts, New York City, and Rhode Island). The Northeast is home to the Ivy Leagues and has an incredibly rich history rooted in European influences and a mix of stunning architecture, both modern and historic, while the West Coast opens the gate to beautiful beaches and hot summers.



The Midwest, home to states such as Wisconsin, Minnesota, and Illinois, is well-known as “America’s Heartland”. Surrounded by the Great Lakes and the Northwoods, it is full of attractions and comes with a lower living cost than its West and East coast peers. If you look downwards, you’ll find good ol’ Southern hospitality from states like Texas, Georgia, and South Carolina, which are more than ready to welcome you with the tang of sweet tea, strong family values, and spicy Tex-Mex.

OUR TOP UNIVERSITY PICKS

WEST COAST:

Stanford University - University of California, Berkeley - University of California, Los Angeles - University of Southern California - Claremont Mckenna College

MID WEST:

University of Chicago - Northwestern University - University of Notre Dame - University of Michigan, Ann Arbor - University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

EAST COAST:

Harvard University - Yale University - Princeton University - Dartmouth University - Columbia University - Cornell University

SOUTH:

Georgia Institute of Technology - Emory University - Rice University - Van Der Bilt University - University of Texas, Austin



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UNITED

KINGDOM

PURSUe A UNIVERSITY DEGREE FILLED WITH
MULTICULTURAL EXPERIENCES

UNITED KINGDOM

The United Kingdom is famous for its fast-track degree in the STEM, business, humanities fields, and its huge football presence. In just three years, international students can experience its four nations - England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland - to really understand what underscores the UK experience, while immersing themselves in a culture passionate about football, cricket, F1, and rugby.

England is known for its long history and Royal Family, and is home to some of the most established universities renowned for honing a students' critical thinking skills. Its neighbour, Scotland, has one of the friendliest people and the beautiful Scottish Highlands. Not far from Scotland, you can travel to Wales in a two-hour plane ride to see famous national parks and breathtaking coastlines. Its close proximity to other European countries is also a unique advantage, as students can enjoy a melting pot of cultures brought by non-UK European students.





On the weekends, students can easily hop on a train from London to Paris, Barcelona, Venice, Munich, or even Amsterdam to learn about the backdrop of vibrant languages and exquisite food. This rich multicultural background enhances job prospects for students looking to develop their communication and interpersonal skills.

OUR TOP UNIVERSITY PICKS

ENGLAND:

University of Cambridge - Oxford University - London School of Economics - Imperial College London - University of College London

SCOTLAND:

University of Edinburgh - University of Glasgow - University of Dundee - University of Aberdeen - University of St. Andrews

WALES:

Cardiff University - Swansea University

IRELAND:

Queen's University Belfast - Ulster University - Aberystwyth University



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CANADA

ENJOY THE UNRIVALED NATURE AND FRIENDLY
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT POLICIES

CANADA

Canada, the second-largest country in the world by area with the highest per-capita immigration rate, welcomes international students with open arms. With the United States and three of Earth's largest oceanic divisions bordering the country, Canada is most popular for its spectacular scenery and healthy outdoor lifestyle.

Though primarily an English-speaking country, Canada offers a bilingual experience, with the French language spoken by almost a quarter of Canadian citizens. Canadians' well-known culture of kindness is also what attracts many international students. Canada's open and transparent attitudes combined with its adventurous soul provide exceptional opportunities in pursuing your higher education.



As an international student, you will be able to have the opportunity to complete all or part of your education in Canada (bachelor's, master's and doctorate degrees) with tuition fees that are less expensive than the United States. Nothing compares to living in a naturally beautiful city, with the laid-back vibe of smaller towns dotted all around.



OUR TOP UNIVERSITY PICKS

BRITISH COLUMBIA:

University of British Columbia - Simon Fraser University

ONTARIO:

University of Toronto - University of Waterloo

QUEBEC:

McGill University



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AUSTRALIA

A LEADER IN HEALTH SCIENCES AND BUSINESS
MANAGEMENT, AUSTRALIA HAS MORE THAN 35
HIGHLY RANKED UNIVERSITIES TO OFFER

AUSTRALIA



Australia is known as a multicultural country where you'll be able to encounter a wide range of perspectives and lifestyles that you may have not experienced before. For sports enthusiasts, Australia has a rich history in hosting major international sports events and world championships: the Melbourne Cup, Australian Tennis Open, Formula One Grand Prix, and the Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race.



Australia's laid-back culture and diverse characteristics can also be seen in terms of its language. Even though English is the primary language in Australia, there are more than 300 languages spoken throughout the country, from Mandarin and Italian to Arabic and Greek. Full of both rural and urban settings, you'll also get the option to study by the beaches in Sydney or in the vibrant urban core of Melbourne.



One of the benefits of pursuing your higher education in Australia is the ability to work part-time while completing your degree. This is because your student visa enables you to work 20 hours per week while your classes are in effect and an unlimited number of hours during your summer holiday!

OUR TOP UNIVERSITY PICKS

NEW SOUTH WALES:

The University of Sydney - UNSW - University of Technology, Sydney

QUEENSLAND:

The University of Queensland - James Cook University

VICTORIA:

University of Melbourne - Monash University - Deakin University - RMIT - La Trobe University



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SINGAPORE

A COZY SMALL ISLAND WITH THE REPUTATION OF A
GLOBAL HUB

SINGAPORE



Singapore is one of the smallest countries in the world, and yet, it has solidified itself as an international player. Home to four large ethnic groups - Chinese, Malay, Indian, and Eurasian - Singapore is best known for its strong multicultural identity. Known as the “Gateway to Asia”, you can easily explore its neighboring countries, such as Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Cambodia, China, and India - all of which are within 2-6 hours by flight.



It is also home to two of the world’s leading universities: National University of Singapore (NUS) and Nanyang Technological University (NTU). Singapore’s government initiatives focus on the value and importance of educational innovation as a part of its economic strength. This can be seen in Singapore’s rising international student population of 65,000, which came from over 100 different countries around the world.



Getting around in Singapore is easy with its efficient public transportation system and close distances. As a student, you'll get a chance to experience wonderful museums, art galleries, and lush gardens of the island while receiving a cutting-edge education.



OUR TOP UNIVERSITY PICKS

National University of Singapore - Nanyang Technological University - James Cook University - Yale-NUS College



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JAPAN

A PROMISING DESTINATION FOR RESEARCH
ORIENTED STUDENTS, OR STUDENTS LOOKING TO
STUDY THE JAPANESE LANGUAGE

JAPAN

Japan has been frequently touted by both tourists and university students as a jewel destination for its delicious food and numerous temples and shrines, which form a large part of its prefectures. It has two universities in the top 50 institutions in the world, with Tokyo recently named the third best city in the world for students.



Many educational reforms have encouraged more coursework to be taught in English, resulting in an increase of international exchange programs. Its reputation as a safe country has also been heralded in every aspect of the Japanese life, with elementary children seen riding the subway unattended.



Japanese students dedicate much time to their clubs and societies, requiring a certain commitment to make the most out of their university time. Outside of their academic life, you can see students going to the izakaya (Japanese Bar) with their friends, enjoying hip coffee cafes, and exploring neighborhood bars.

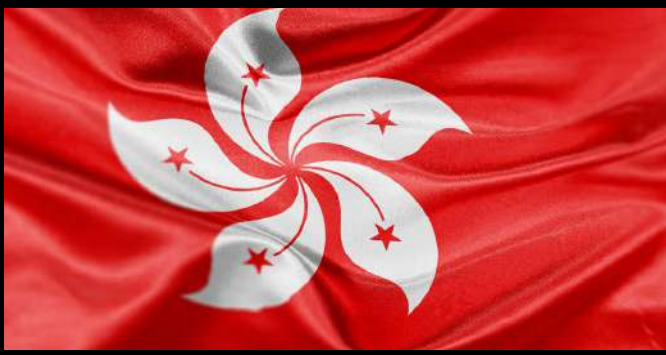


With the National Seven (former imperial colleges of Japan) group universities present in Japan, students have the chance to learn the Japanese language fluently and pursue popular majors in history, art, and business. The Japanese government, eager to attract more international students, has increased funding to raise the amount of scholarships awarded to international students. Such prospects give international students comfort in knowing they are welcomed into the country.



OUR TOP UNIVERSITY PICKS

The University of Tokyo - Kyoto University - Osaka University - Tokyo Institute of Technology (Tokyo Tech) - Tohoku University



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HONG KONG

Hong Kong has one of the highest-ranked Asian universities for international students looking to assimilate themselves in the Cantonese culture. With a range of broad disciplines and endless social activities, going to school in Hong Kong provides a well-rounded education and a strong networking opportunity. Many of the Hong Kong universities also have close relationships with corporate institutions for students who are looking to pursue a job shortly after their studies.



In Hong Kong, the four drivers of the economy are its financial services, tourism, trading and logistics, and professional services. As one of the Four Asian Tigers, it has a fusion of different backgrounds which stems from its old ties to the British system. You'll have no regrets trying the milk tea and toast breakfast, large dim sum selections, and many Michelin restaurants situated across the island.



A major perk of the country is its robust and interconnected transportation system, where you can easily skip traffic if you're willing to ride the MRT and brave the rush hour crowd. The island encourages you to walk a lot, while enjoying what many different neighborhoods have to offer: art galleries, museums, cafes, hikes, beaches, and a beautiful skyline.



OUR TOP UNIVERSITY PICKS

The University of Hong Kong - The Chinese University of Hong Kong - The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology - City University of Hong Kong



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CHINA

STUDY IN THE WORLD'S NEXT SUPERPOWER AND
EARN A GENEROUS SCHOLARSHIP

CHINA

In the last few years, the number of international students enrolling in China has increased by 40% which is an impressive rise. With centuries of culture and abundant history, China offers its students seven UNESCO world heritage sites, such as the Forbidden city, and the chance to learn business conducts in booming cities in first-tier cities like Shanghai and Guangzhou.



China's education system has over 2,000 higher education institutions all over the country, and the most notable are Tsinghua University and Peking University in Beijing. China's affordable and high quality education can be a cheaper alternative to universities in the United States, United Kingdom, or Australia. Aiming to empower more international students through the provision of full and partial scholarships, more and more students are eager to jump at the opportunity of rich cultural immersion and global exposure, while picking up Mandarin along the way.

OUR TOP UNIVERSITY PICKS

Tsinghua University - Peking University - Shanghai Jiao Tong University

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