

GLOBAL SOCIAL WORK

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING



OVERVIEW

Global social work can be explored from all fields of study – political science, international relations, public health, education, business – and takes many forms, from massive NGOs to small local organizations to corporate social responsibility. Students will have the opportunity to learn the history of international human rights and the challenges it currently faces.

TRENDING SOCIAL WORK DESTINATIONS

› Washington, D.C.

- As the political headquarters of the USA, Washington, D.C. is home to many international NGOs and governing bodies focused on development and advancement globally. Students will explore why these organizations call D.C. home as well as visit sites that serve as reminders of the fight for human rights everywhere.
 - › *Suggested City Pairing: New Orleans, Louisiana*

› Geneva, Switzerland

- Historically known to be a place of peace and human cooperation, Geneva provides a historical background in international development efforts while providing students the opportunity to observe a strong national welfare state, fostering conversations about global political cooperation and human rights.
 - › *Suggested City Pairing: Milan, Italy*

› Phnom Penh, Cambodia

- Cambodia was the site of one of the world's worst genocides in the 1970s. Students are able to engage with this dark history and leave with a deeper understanding of social work in places healing from conflict and promoting human dignity.
 - › *Suggested City Pairing: Hanoi, Vietnam*



- › **Quito, Ecuador**
 - Ecuador has made efforts towards democratic freedom expansion in recent years; however, human rights issues remain. Students can learn from local and international NGOs working in social services, education development, poverty reduction, and environmental protection.
 - › *Suggested City Pairing: Medellin, Colombia*
- › **Johannesburg, South Africa**
 - With Apartheid in its not-so-distant past, South Africa is a key destination to explore human rights and global development. Students will learn from those dedicated to the fight for equality, while also examining what current issues remain and how organizations combat them.
 - › *Suggested City Pairing: Durban, South Africa*
- › **Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic**
 - Students will engage with the history of colonization in the Dominican Republic working alongside local organizations to promote and equitable society. Through this, students will gain a first-hand perspective into how developing economies pursue economic growth while increasing social services for their citizens.
 - › *Suggested City Pairing: San Juan, Puerto Rico*

SAMPLE ENGAGEMENT TOPICS

- › Investigating the Implications of International Human Rights
- › Exploring Strategies of Welfare States and Social Services
- › Local NGO Operations, Fundraising, and Volunteer Management
- › Corporate Social Responsibility's Role in Social Advancements
- › Addressing the Blockades to Humanitarian Work
- › Historical Precedents to Current Social Issues

TIME FRAME

- › 7-10 days in country
- › 4-6 unique organizational meeting and experiential learning opportunities
- › 2-4 days of cultural engagements

HOW IT WORKS

- › Each program has a dedicated Curriculum Coordinator to customize educational experiences to meet your learning objectives
- › During the months preceding your program, your Curriculum Coordinator works with you and company partners in-country to curate engagements within key destination industries
- › Engagements typically last 1.5 – 2 hours, encompassing a strategic presentation by the host organization, Q&A, discussion, and a tour (where possible)

Our aim is to customize each and every program to your learning objectives, and we encourage you to discuss your specific destination and theme ideas with your Program Development Manager.