Where do you want to study next year?

National Student Exchange
Why NSE?

- Experience life from a different point of view
- Broaden your personal and educational perspectives
- Live in a different geographic region
- Take courses not offered at home
- Become more independent and resourceful
- Explore and appreciate new cultures
- Investigate graduate schools
- Look for future employment
- Make new friends
- Acquire life skills
- Break out of your comfort zone
Experience life from a different point of view!
Exchange Locations

- United States
- Canada
- Guam
- Puerto Rico
- U.S. Virgin Islands

Nearly 200 Universities
NSE has provided exchange opportunities to more than 100,000 students since it was founded in 1968.

Join the 2500 students who will exchange next year!
“For me, going abroad seemed too far away; staying home seemed too close; NSE was the perfect choice!”

Lauren Flaherty
Sonoma State University
to the University of Northern Colorado
NSE Options

- Study at a campus different than your own
- Access internships and service learning options
- Access honors courses
- Exchange as a resident assistant
- Participate in study abroad programs in more than 40 countries
- Improve your language skills
Diverse Campuses

- Public Liberal Arts Colleges
- French-Speaking Universities
- Spanish-Speaking Universities
- Polytechnic Universities
- Land-Grant Universities
- Sea-Grant Universities
- Sun-Grant Universities
- Historically Black Universities
- Hispanic Serving Universities
- Urban Universities
- Large Universities
- Small Colleges
“Break out of your comfort zone – and experience life from a different point of view.”
Students report that NSE has:

- Broadened their academic and personal perspectives
- Developed self-confidence
- Prepared them for life outside the classroom
- Made them greater risk takers
- Given them an appreciation for diverse peoples, ideas, and cultures
- Introduced them to life-long friends
- Enhanced their ability to adapt to new environments and challenges
- Given them a competitive edge for graduate school and employment opportunities
Exploring Participation

RESOURCES
ELIGIBILITY
MONEY MATTERS
FINANCIAL AID
APPLICATION
Resources

KEY RESOURCES

- NSE Coordinator
- NSE Directory
- Campus Profiles at nse.org, “Students”
- Campus catalogs at nse.org, “Students”
- Majors Search at nse.org, “Students”

ALSO

- Talk to your parents.
- Consult your academic advisor.
- Consider your financial resources.
- Talk to your financial aid officer.
- Visit with former NSE students.
Eligibility

Requirements Must Be Met at the Time of Application and in the Term Immediately Prior to Your Exchange

- Full-time enrollment at your home campus
- Cumulative 2.5 GPA (4.0 scale) at your home campus
- Be in good standing (academic, financial, social/behavioral)
- No incomplete grades
- Meet any additional requirements of your home campus
- Meet any additional GPA or academic requirements of your host campus
- Must not be on probation, parole or have any pending legal judgments
Widen your educational horizons!
Room and Meals for on-campus housing are always paid to your host campus. (Note – A few NSE members do not have on-campus housing. Living arrangements are on your own.)

Course-related fees (i.e., laboratory, technology, studio art, photography supplies, internships, student teaching, etc.) are paid to your host campus.

Transportation and other related costs are your responsibility.
Financial Aid – U.S. Federal

**PLAN A**

- Use FAFSA codes for your host campus. (also include your home campus code in case exchange plans change).
- Aid will be awarded by, and disbursed from, your host campus.
- File your FAFSA form by January 31.
- Aid awards may differ in amount, sources and timing for distribution from aid you currently receive.

**PLAN B**

- Use FAFSA code only for your home campus.
- Aid will be disbursed by your home campus.
Financial Aid
Canadian Exchange

If you exchange between the United States and Canada, you must apply for financial aid at your home campus regardless of whether you use Plan A or Plan B.
If you are receiving private, state/provincial or institutionally-based grants, scholarships or fee remission for tuition, housing or meals, check with your home campus financial aid officer to determine use of such aid for exchange under Plan A and Plan B.

NSE host campuses do not award state, provincial or institutionally based scholarships, grants or fee remissions to incoming NSE Students.
NSE – Friends for Life
NSE Application

- Meet with your academic advisor.
- Read the NSE *Directory* – especially pages from “Eligibility” through “During Exchange” – or read HOW IT WORKS when you click on “Students” at nse.org.
- Select and prioritize exchange sites.
- Complete your home campus application.
- Interview with your home NSE Coordinator.
- Pay NSE application fee.
After Placement

- Sign the Placement Acceptance Form (PAF).
- Secure a written advising agreement on how host campus courses will transfer back to your home campus. DON’T LEAVE HOME WITHOUT IT!
- Read, complete, and return enrollment materials to your host campus NSE coordinator in a timely manner.

You must maintain all NSE eligibility requirements at the completion of the term prior to participation or your exchange will be cancelled.
“Being on exchange forces you to explore, experiment, to change, grow and develop.”
During Exchange

- Meet with your host campus coordinator.
- Attend orientation.
- Provide contact information to home and host coordinators as well as family and friends.
- Adhere to home and host university rules and regulations.
- Accept responsibility for your own decisions and actions.
- Maintain all eligibility requirements.
- Pay all bills in a timely manner.

Enjoy your exchange!
After Exchange

- Request that a transcript from your host campus be sent to your home campus.
- Verify that your exchange work has been entered on your home campus permanent record.

Volunteer to assist your home NSE coordinator in promoting NSE.
NSE
will change your life and open doors to new opportunities.
What’s Next?

- Click on “Students” at nse.org.
- Meet with your NSE coordinator.

Get ready for an experience that will change your life!
Where will you study next year?