

Notes from International Travel session at LPC Flex Day, Sept. 2016:

Most of the faculty who attended this session cited a personal experience studying abroad that inspired them to provide these opportunities for their students or explore them for themselves as faculty. Some faculty had not had such an educational opportunity, and they attended to learn about the benefits of and possibilities for travel abroad at LPC.

Why is education abroad important? How can we help students access it?

- Helps students develop global mindset
- Provide a variety of opportunities—a couple of weeks, semester, year
- Fundraising:
 - bake sales
 - have local businesses or grantors (LPCF, Rotary, other grantors) sponsor a day of the trip
 - If LPC has its own program, students can put financial aid monies towards experience
- Secure support from administration, community
 - Demonstrate value, outcomes met
 - Research
 - Survey students who have gone on trips
 - Create a video of students, perhaps including our own international students?
- Provide more information to faculty on how trips are set up and run, what is available
 - Information from Katie and Don Miller
 - Future website
- Join consortium? Goal to provide credit-earning opportunities
- Partner with International Program to create student and other presentations on culture, study abroad experience—monthly teas have been done elsewhere. Have food from culture under discussion.