Academic Year & Semester Options

Nacel Open Door and its partners also offer American students the opportunity to study abroad for an academic year or semester.

These long-term programs offer American high school students (ages 14-18) the experience of living with a host family while studying abroad.

Students must have two or more years of language study with good grades and cannot graduate from an overseas high school while on program.

Spotlight Academic Year Program: Costa Rica

This program offers NOD students a personalized educational experience in San Jose, Costa Rica. Its main goal is to motivate the mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual development of students in an environment that invites them to discover their potential.

Students attend a private school while also participating in an environmental volunteer program in an ecological park within the school. A minimum of one to two years of Spanish language study and good academic record are required.

Through workshops and activities at Itarar InBio Park, the ecological park within the school, students learn how to live with nature and develop skills to protect the environment. The volunteer portion of the program requires students to contribute at least 10 hours per month in park conservation activities.

The program also offers NOD students the academic and emotional support of three psychologists, two academic coordinators, and a language therapist throughout their time in Costa Rica. All programs include:

- Orientation
- Some domestic transportation provided
- Local representative for student in program country
- 24/7 phone support









Want more information?

Please refer to our country-specific fact sheets and website to review the various programs.

Visit nacelopendoor.org or contact Program Director Sue Franck at sfranck@nacelopendoor.org

ADVENTURE ABROAD with Nacel Open Door

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Tour or Study Abroad Through Nacel Open Door Outbound Programs

Explore Asian, European, or South American countries and cultures.



Why Nacel Open Door?

With Nacel Open Door (NOD) Outbound Programs, American students (ages 14-18) learn the culture and language of a foreign country by living with a host family and experiencing their daily life and activities. Through these traditional homestays, students also have the opportunity to build new lifelong relationships and have once-in-a-lifetime adventures in a different culture.

Students participate in NOD Outbound Programs as an individual or with a group. We offer programs during the summer, or for a semester or academic year. Programs are available in many countries around the world.

What Programs are Available?

Europe is a long-standing and popular location for our students. We offer homestay, home schooling, tutorial, or touring options for American students looking to visit European countries such as England, France, Germany, or Spain. Students also have the opportunity to spend a semester or academic year studying at a public or private high school in Europe or Asia.

Latin and South America are other popular locations for NOD students, along with Australia and mainland China. Contact us for a full list of current partner countries.





Nacel Open Door offers the opportunity for teachers to take their students (ages 14-18) to study and tour in various countries around the globe. During their time abroad, students experience other cultures, family life, and education.

Tours run one to three weeks long, and we can adapt tours to your specific needs and interests. All bookings for accommodations, meal plans, language lessons, and sightseeing will be arranged for you. These tours are available any time of year.

For more information on specific tours and/or country offerings, see our inserts and contact us with questions or to book your tour.



Short Term Tours & Homestays

These programs include:

- Touring transportation arranged via private coach or transportation passes
- Opportunities to sightsee
- Privileged partnerships/prices with hotels, restaurants, and venues
- Language lessons available
- Free stay for teachers/chaperones
- Airport transfers
- Local representative assistance in cities
- 24/7 phone support

NOD also provides the option for students ages 14-18 to complete individual exchange experiences. These summer exchanges range from two to six weeks in length.

These experiences include options of:

- Pure homestay
- Tutorial
- Home School
- Opportunities to sightsee in major cities

