

International Experience Checklist



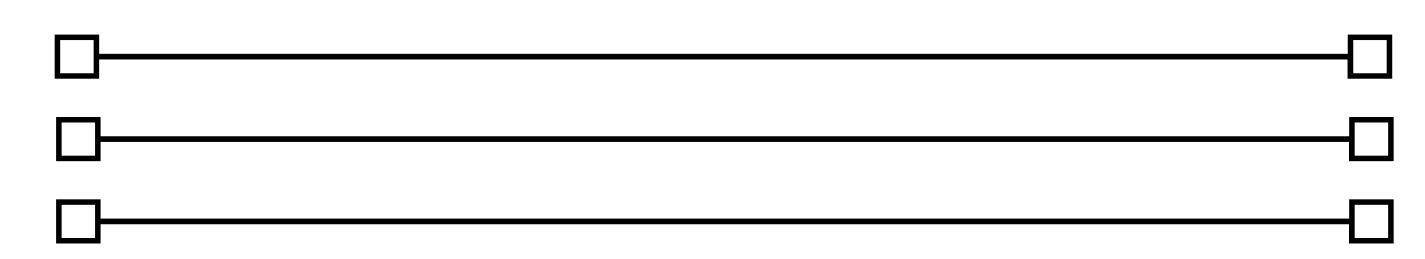
- Research funding options like scholarships, financial aid, low and medium cost programs, and veterans benefits on our **website here**.
- Apply for a **passport book** (not card) at the Texas Tech ICC (601 Indiana Avenue).



Meet with an Engineering Diplomat during their office hours to talk about program options.

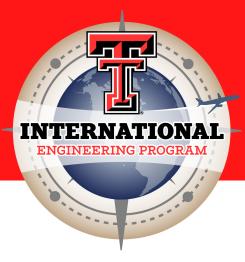


Take Notes & Submit Goals, & Make a To-Do List:



	Start an advising application and complete it.			
	Talk with your family to go over program options.			
	Schedule an appointment to meet with a Program Manager.			
	Start an application for a specific program.			
IMPORTANT DATES:				
October 1: Spring App. Deadline & Summer / Fall Apps Open				
March 1: Summer App. Deadline				

March 22: Fall App. Deadline



Frequently Asked Questions & Action Items

If no one in my family has been abroad before, who can help me answer my questions as I plan my experience?

Start with visiting the Engineering Diplomats during their office hours, M-F, 9am to 4pm.

How do I apply for a passport?

The Texas Tech International Cultural Center has a passport office located at 601 Indiana Avenue. Go to their **website here** to see what documents are required for you to bring and complete.

How do I choose a program that's right for me?

Have a conversation with your family and visit our website here to see what program options there are based on where you want to go abroad. Think about the physical distance between you, your family, and your friends. Are you more comfortable going somewhere closer to the US like Latin America or somewhere farther away like Japan or Australia?



Think about what type of experience you want. Do you want a program that offers courses in your major or a practical experience like an internship, research project, service project?



Consider funding options. Take a look at our low and medium cost program guide here. If you are using military and veterans benefits or other scholarships/grants, make sure you can use that funding for the program you want to do. If you can't, you may need to choose a different program.

Think about cultural similarities and differences and how different of a cultural experience you want.

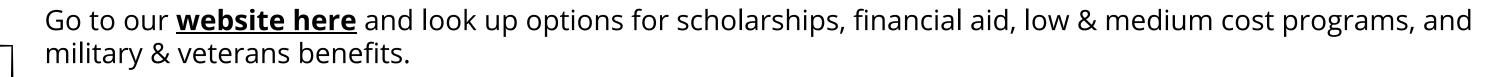
How can I talk to my family about my international experience and what should I discuss with them?



Think about your goals as a student and future prosessional. Discuss how an international experience can contribute to achievement of your academic and career goals.



How can I get funding for my international experience?



Complete the **TTU Financial Aid Checklist** for going abroad. (If you receive financial aid)

Attend a funding workshop. See dates here.

How can I keep in touch with family and friends while I am abroad?

Download WhatsApp, Social Media (FB Messenger, Instagram, Twitter, etc.), iMessage, Start a Blog

How will I incorporate my experiences abroad back into my life at TTU upon my return?

