How do I use what I learned while studying abroad to get a job or get into graduate school?

- Start your international job or graduate school programs search early in your college career.
- Build a strong resume, highlighting your experiences.
- Identify skills you want to highlight to employers/admissions counselors. These should include:
  
  | Initiative                      | Interest in continuous learning |
  | Ownership of projects           | Positive outlook toward hardship and adversity |
  | Self control                    | Relationship building skills |
  | Strong work ethic               | Adventurous spirit, curiosity |
  | Adaptability - flexibility and comfort with uncertainty | Creativity |
  | Ability to make “transitions”   | Good sense of humor |
  | Goal orientation – clear-cut goals and objectives | Risk taking |
  | Motivation to achieve           | Language and communication skills |
  | Intelligence/ability to learn   | |

- Remember that, according to a study by the Career Services and Placement Collegiate Employment Research Institute at Michigan State University, employers' associate resourcefulness and adaptability with having studied abroad. You may want to demonstrate these traits in your resume or interview.

- Highlight any research/projects you carried out while abroad, focusing on challenges, rewards and outcomes.
- Participate in interviewing skills workshops and practice interviews offered by your college or university.
  
  Work on articulating your skills.
- Schedule informational interviews.

How do I establish contacts to find a job overseas or with a U.S. company with overseas travel/operations?

- Reestablish any current overseas connections by phone, email or mail.
- Visit your college's student resource or career center and use the available resources to make a list of overseas companies OR U.S. companies with overseas operations that you would like to pursue as employers.
- Do some preliminary research on these companies.
- Get the names of people to write to in the companies that you have chosen.
- Polish your resume to highlight any international experiences (study abroad, language abilities, work experiences with international companies, course work with international/global aspects).
- Write cover letters, send out with your resume and follow up with your chosen firms.
- Look into working in international education: study abroad or other fields.
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