

Education Abroad Ambassador Position Description

Education Abroad Ambassadors at Texas State University are fellow Bobcats who share their international experiences and encourage others to study abroad. They play a crucial role in internationalizing our campus and local community. Ambassadors, who have participated in various Education Abroad programs, inspire peers by sharing their personal stories and insights. They engage in campus events, give presentations, and advise students considering studying abroad, helping to create a globally aware and culturally diverse environment. Overall, Education Abroad Ambassadors are essential in promoting international education, supporting peers, and contributing to a globally connected campus and community.

Key Requirements to be a Texas State Education Abroad Ambassador

- **Education Abroad Alumni:** Participation in faculty-led, summer hub, exchange, or affiliated programs.
- **Minimum GPA:** A cumulative **GPA of 2.5** at Texas State University at the time of application.
- **Volunteer Commitment:** Willingness to volunteer **at least 12 hours per semester** for the Education Abroad Office's promotional and recruitment efforts.
- **Mandatory Training:** Attend the mandatory one-hour in person session at the beginning of the semester for training, updates, and scheduling.

Recognition Level and Completion Certificates

- **Maroon Ambassador:** 12-15 hours per semester.
- **Gold Ambassador:** 16+ hours per semester.

Note: Certificates indicating the number of volunteered hours is awarded during the End of Semester celebration ceremony.

Opportunities for Engagement

- **Education Abroad Events:** Up to 4 hours per event (e.g., Education Abroad Fair, Ready Set Go Abroad, Bobcat Days).
- **Presentations:** 1 hour per session (classroom/general information sessions, TXST club/resident hall presentations).
- **Peer Advising Sessions:** 1 hour per session, guiding students interested in Education Abroad programs.
- **Tabling Sessions:** 1-2 hours per session, promoting Education Abroad Programs.
- **Poster Displays:** 1 hour per 4 posters, distributing approved posters.

Note: All documentation on activities with reports and photos will be uploaded to the Canvas site.

Benefits of Being an Education Abroad Ambassador

- ✓ **Professional Experience and Networking:** Gain valuable feedback and connect with TXST community members and beyond.
- ✓ **Skill Development:** Enhance leadership, public speaking, peer mentoring, and cross-cultural communication skills.
- ✓ **Certificate of Participation:** Receive a certificate upon successful completion of required hours.
- ✓ **LinkedIn Recommendation:** Obtain a recommendation letter highlighting volunteer hours and activities.
- ✓ **Skill Endorsements on LinkedIn:** Receive endorsements for leadership, communication, cross-cultural communication, mentoring, and peer advising skills.