

TEACHER EDUCATION STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES

International experience is important for any college graduate, but all the more crucial for students who will be the educators of tomorrow. The Institute for Study Abroad, Butler University, (IFSA-Butler), a non-profit study abroad program provider based at Butler University, has several study abroad opportunities for teacher education students. We welcome you to visit our booth (#204) in the exhibitor area during the AACTE Annual Meeting to learn more.

Our teacher education study abroad programs include:

- **Stranmillis University College** (Belfast, Northern Ireland)
Stranmillis is one of Europe's best teacher education colleges. U.S. students can study in up to four tracks (Early Childhood, Primary, Secondary and Health & Leisure). Special education placements are also available. Best of all, practical experience in a Belfast school classroom is an integral part of the program and typically comprises 25 percent of a student's course load. Classroom experience can range from observation to student teaching and is always supervised and assessed by Stranmillis faculty members.
- **Flinders University** (Adelaide, Australia)
At Flinders University, U.S. study abroad students can choose a specialized education track or take Flinders' outstanding education courses along with courses in a wide range of other subjects at the university. Education tracks include Primary, Secondary, Language Education, Special Education, Health Science and Physical Education. Student teaching placements are available during the spring semester, and all participants are paired with an Australian education student during their semester abroad.
- **Universidad Nacional** (Heredia, Costa Rica)
This program combines education courses at Universidad Nacional and hands-on classroom interactions with a unique cultural experience in Costa Rica. This concentration is ideal for future Spanish or ESL teachers, or for any education major who wants to be prepared for the increasingly diverse U.S. classroom. Each student lives with a host family throughout the semester (one student per family) for maximum cultural integration. An optional non-credit workshop preparing students for the ACTFL test is also part of the program.

IFSA-Butler is happy to answer questions about these programs, or to send additional information. Feel free to get in touch with IFSA-Butler Director of Custom and Collaborative Programs Opal Leeman Bartzis via the contact information below.

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