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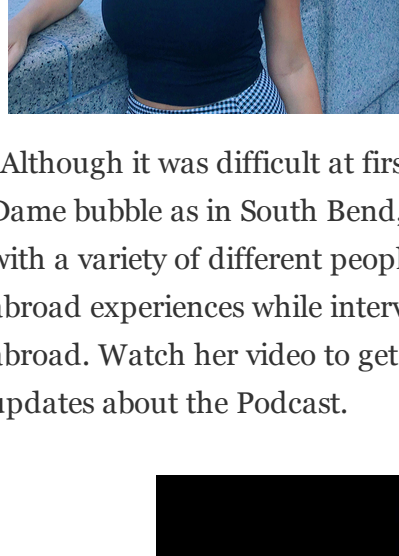
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PODCAST

It's finally here! [BeyoND Study Abroad](#), our brand new podcast featuring all things study abroad, is launching on October 9th. Tune in weekly on Fridays to join the host [Sofia Perez](#) and guests from current students, study abroad returnees, alumni, and staff members as we explore the many aspects, experiences, and stories of study abroad. In the mini episode on October 9th, you can get to know the host Sofia and hear from [Dr. Michael Pippenger](#), vice president and associate provost for internationalization, as they talk about the ways in which his time abroad affected his life, ND study abroad, and their hopes and goals for this podcast. The first full episode featuring Kathryn Feehan, a Dublin returnee, is launching the following week on Friday, October 16th. Visit the website to learn more and listen in!

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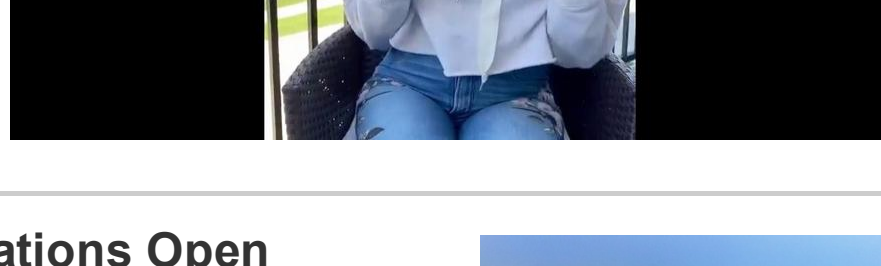
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Meet the host, Sofia Perez

Meet the podcast host, [Sofia Perez](#), a senior biochemistry major who studied abroad in London in Fall 2019. Sofia greatly enjoyed the many opportunities to travel around Europe and explore new countries, cultures, and cuisines each weekend! She fully immersed herself in the culture and everyday life of London by participating in an internship, visiting the wonderful London museums and landmarks, and even meeting other London college students. She reports:

"Although it was difficult at first to live in a big city and not just be surrounded by the Notre Dame bubble as in South Bend, I was challenged to explore a new daily lifestyle and interact with a variety of different people and students everyday." Sofia is excited to share her own abroad experiences while interviewing a variety of interesting guests about their time abroad. Watch her video to get to know Sofia and follow us on social media to get the latest updates about the Podcast.



Applications Open

If you are still considering studying abroad in your academic career, applications are open until November 1. Make sure to check out the ["Getting Started"](#) section on our website for more information about the process. If you have questions, [schedule an appointment](#) with one of our study abroad advisors. If you would like a student perspective, reach out to the [study abroad influencers](#). They are an incredible group of students who are excited to share their experiences.



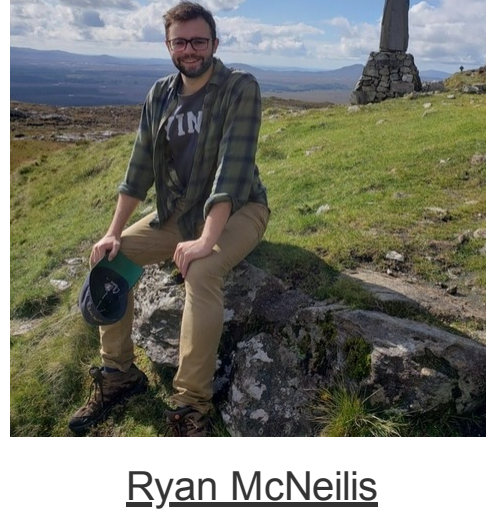
Summer Study Abroad

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National Transfer Student Week

Join NDI Study Abroad in celebrating transfer students! [October 19-23 is National Transfer Student Week](#). Meet some of the students below and hear what they shared with us being transfer students and study abroad.



[Ryan McNeilis](#)

"I was ready to feel at home on campus—to carefully avoid the God Quad grass, to cheer for the Fighting Irish on Saturdays while arm-in arm with my friends.... There was nowhere I would rather be than at Notre Dame, and no experience seemed worth the cost of a semester away from a place that felt so much like home.... Even after being accepted, I committed to the program tentatively, excited for what was to come but casting more than a few glances back toward what I was leaving behind. It should come as no surprise that I am deeply grateful for my time in Ireland. I met incredible people, encountered awesome places and histories, and I count those few months among my most formative experiences at Notre Dame.... My semester in Ireland was not time away from my home at Notre Dame. It was a realization that the joy, the friendships, and the faith formed at Notre Dame offer a home that is not bound to a handful of semesters spent under the Golden Dome. It is a home that can travel with us."




[Emma Mazurek](#)

"The city of Dublin quickly became a home away from home (thanks to the O'Connell House staff) even over a semester truncated by the pandemic. The electric vitality that characterizes Dublin and its ND community earmarked this spring as incredibly impactful. The semester was highlighted by forming lasting friendships, traveling through Europe, learning about Irish culture, and growing personally through a more connected perspective. As a transfer student, I worried I would be unable to fulfill a long-awaited study abroad experience; however, the flexible ND curriculum and supportive faculty made it possible for me to complete a semester in Dublin and a summer program in Greece. Although I was concerned about missing a semester on campus after having already freshman year, I learned that the ND community does not stop at the limits of the South Bend campus. In fact, many of my favorite ND memories were made as a Dublin Domer. My primary advice to transfer students interested in studying abroad is to pursue what energizes and excites you. This is your one wild and precious life to follow your heart independent of the path you think you "should" take. Nurture and trust the strength and integrity that directed you to transfer and utilize this grounding to guide you in your remaining undergraduate career."



[Griffin Gildea](#)

"You might hesitate to leave a campus to which you recently transferred, but I found my semester spent in the bustling metropolis of London as a well-timed juxtaposition to the more sedated campus greens of Notre Dame. Notre Dame offers plenty of exciting and engaging courses in London that are not limited to the classroom...Lastly, take advantage of the internship program. It is a surefire way to make your study abroad experience unique. If you are a transfer student and considering studying abroad, the last thing you should do is worry about missing a semester in South Bend. Notre Dame will always be here, but the chance to be with friends in a foreign country comes just this once. As transfer students, I do not have to tell you that your life got so much better once you had the courage to take the big first step and come to Notre Dame – study abroad is another step to make life even better."



ANNOUNCEMENT:
The Gilman Scholarship Application
Deadline has been Extended to
October 8, 11:59pm Pacific Time

The Gilman Scholarship Program broadens the student population that studies and interns abroad by supporting undergraduates who might not otherwise participate due to financial constraints. The program aims to encourage students to study and intern in a diverse array of countries or areas and world regions. The program also encourages students to study languages, especially critical need languages (those deemed important to national security). You can find the [application overview here](#). The deadline to apply is Thursday October 8. Check out the [tips to submit](#) an application.

STUDY ABROAD COMPASS

Notre Dame International launched a new initiative to enhance the study abroad experience, [Study Abroad Compass](#). It is a newly-developed and innovative program, a collection of courses, online lectures, and certificates completed over the different phases of study abroad. Stage one of the development of this new initiative is complete with the interactive course titled ["Study Abroad 101"](#). The course takes approximately 45 minutes and is a great way to get more information on all things study abroad!

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