More than $45,000 was awarded to 18 UI students to pursue research and learning activities abroad in 2021. 16 countries and 14 academic disciplines were represented by the recipients’ intended projects.

17 UI students were awarded Fulbright U.S. Student Program grants for 2022-23 to teach English and undertake public health research and creative writing projects in 16 countries.

The UI has frequently been named a ‘top producer’ of Fulbright students by the Chronicle of Higher Education.
SENATOR PAUL SIMON AWARD
FOR COMPREHENSIVE INTERNATIONALIZATION

The University of Iowa was recognized in 2017 with the Senator Paul Simon Award for Comprehensive Internationalization by NAFSA: Association of International Educators, one of only four institutions nationwide. The award recognizes colleges and universities that are making significant, well-planned, well-executed, and well-documented progress toward comprehensive internationalization—especially those using innovative and creative approaches.

GRANT-WRITING ASSISTANCE

The International Programs Grants Office assists faculty and staff in the development of grant proposals for external funding in support of their research, teaching, and service goals.

In recent years, UI faculty received funding for a range of international programming and research activities. Such funding has been awarded from various sponsors, including the Korea Foundation, the Max Kade Foundation, the Fulbright U.S. Scholars Program, the Knight Foundation, United States-India Educational Foundation, and the U.S. Department of Education.

“You take advantage of the support available from International Programs; they are easy to work with, extremely supportive, and knowledgeable about the process.”
-UI Professor Mercedes Bern-Klug, Fulbright Scholar to Mexico

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS, CENTERS, AND NETWORKS

Our academic centers, programs, and networks create opportunities for faculty to advance research and teaching through a focus on trans-collegiate issues and perspectives; provide opportunities for faculty and students across disciplines to interact and collaborate; and develop public engagement projects to benefit communities in Iowa and abroad.

RESEARCH AND DISCOVERY

The UI maintains over 160 formal partnerships with 147 external organizations around the globe to foster coordination of international research, student exchange, and to promote networking and collaboration.

These relationships, as well as innumerable informal partnerships, enhance the education of our students and offer rich international experiences and professional connections.

GLOBAL EDUCATION INSTITUTE

International Programs, in partnership with the Global Education Program at the Stanley Center, the UI Stanley Museum of Art, and the UI College of Education, supports internationalization in Iowa schools through the annual Global Education Institute for Teachers. This professional development workshop trains K-12 educators on the best methods to incorporate global perspectives into their curriculum.

WORLDCANVASS

This live discussion program on global topics features experts from Iowa and the world, allowing Iowans and listeners from around the globe to engage on important topics of the day. Programs are streamed live when virtual, and are available as podcasts and/or video recordings over multiple platforms.

ALUMNI OUTREACH

International Programs reaches out to the over 9,000 UI alumni living abroad. By hosting global alumni events, producing a quarterly newsletter, and engaging with alumni through domestic and foreign social media, International Programs augments the UI’s connection with this group.

INTERCULTURAL TRAINING

International Student and Scholar Services, in collaboration with the UI Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, offers intercultural training workshops and educational programs to help students, staff, and faculty recognize the impact culture has on our daily lives, and develop effective strategies to increase our intercultural awareness.

FACULTY FUNDING SPOTLIGHT: ETHAN ANDERSON
GLOBAL RESEARCH PARTNERSHIP AWARD

Since 2018, the Global Research Partnership Award has existed to combine the University of Iowa’s global mission and research mission, while providing seed funding to help UI departments and faculty initiate new, or expand existing, international partnerships that add value to, and help advance, research and discovery at the university.

The Global Research Partnership Award allowed Ethan Anderson, a 2021 award recipient, to work alongside other UI faculty members in ongoing collaboration efforts with faculty at the University of Milan School of Pharmaceutical Sciences in Milan, Italy, with the hope to establish an Iowa-Italy Scholar Exchange Program between the two institutions.