

# Study Abroad Re-Entry Programs: Exploring Reflection & Professional Development

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# Goals of Returned Student Events

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**Reflection on experience**

**Complete experiential learning cycle**

**Connections to others with similar experience**

**Connections to resources**

**Maximizing value & professional  
development**

# Experiential Learning Cycle

Experiential  
Learning  
Cycles

## Act

Concrete Experience  
*Facts (What Happened?)*  
Theory of Action

## Reflect

Reflective Observation  
*Feelings (What Did I Experience?)*  
Assess Behavior & Consequences

## Conceptualize

Abstract Conceptualization  
*Findings (Why Did This Happen?)*  
Revise Theory

## Apply

Active Experimentation  
*Futures (What Will I Do?)*  
Implement Revised Theory

1. David Kolb
2. Roger Greenaway
3. Chris Argyris & Donald Schön

compiled by Andrea Corney

[www.edbatista.com/2007/10/experiential.html](http://www.edbatista.com/2007/10/experiential.html)

# Goals of CSU Returned Student Dinner

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**Celebrate students' accomplishment**

**Student focused & discussion driven**

**Facilitate reflection of common challenges for returned students**

**Focus on positive outcomes**

# Overview of Event

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Discuss  
experience &  
feeling since  
return

Evaluate  
change of views  
& challenges in  
that

Share newly  
acquired skills

# K-State Professional Development Workshop

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- ◉ Recognition of Skills – worksheet
- ◉ Resume & Cover Letter Information
- ◉ Talking about International Experiences in a Professional Way

# DESCRIBING YOUR INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE ON YOUR RESUME

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**Example: Semester /Summer Study Abroad**

## **EDUCATION**

**Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS**

B. S. in Business Administration

May 2012

Major: Accounting

**University of Valladolid, Valladolid, Spain**

Study Abroad

Summer 2011

*Intensive Spanish language courses*

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## Example: Faculty-led study tour

### EXPERIENCE

#### Agriculture Study Tour

June 2011

- Participated in faculty-led study tour of Brazil with 12 other K-State students
- Gained knowledge of Brazilian agribusiness including ethanol, cattle feeding and soybean production
- Enhanced intercultural awareness by conversing with students at local university

## Example: Semester /Summer Study Abroad

### INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

#### Study Abroad

Summer 2011

University of Valladolid, Valladolid, Spain

- Enhanced intercultural awareness by living with local host family and by interacting with students from over 20 countries during intensive summer Spanish language program
- Developed strong skills in self-reliance and adaptability, gained through independently planning and participating in short trips throughout Europe



# Talking About International Experiences in a Professional Way

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- ◉ Practice
- ◉ Highlight skills obtained abroad
- ◉ Educate the Interviewer
- ◉ Real World examples

# How do we get students to show up?

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# Questions for the Presenters

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