

# PASSPORT



*Your Passport to  
International Engagement*





# USF WORLD IS YOUR GATEWAY FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

## OUR SERVICES INCLUDE:

- A DEDICATED ADVISOR FOR FACULTY FULBRIGHT AWARDS
- SUPPORT SERVICES & RESOURCES FOR GLOBAL RESEARCH
- ACCESS TO THE GLOBAL DISCOVERY HUB AND CUSTOM MAPPING OF YOUR INTERNATIONAL FOOTPRINT
- MANAGEMENT OF EDUCATION ABROAD PROGRAMS
- OPPORTUNITIES FOR EMBEDDING VIRTUAL LEARNING INTO YOUR COURSES
- INTERNATIONAL SCHOLAR AND STUDENT SERVICES
- TRAVEL SAFETY TIPS AND RESOURCES WHILE ABROAD
- ASSISTANCE HOSTING DIGNITARIES AND GUESTS
- GUIDANCE REGARDING FORMING INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS
- AND MORE

# GLOBAL DISCOVERY HUB



The Global Discovery Hub provides an interactive website that features a comprehensive portrait of USF's international engagement including partnerships, faculty activities, and student mobility.

## HIGHLIGHT YOUR EXPERTISE & IMPACT

Map your own global footprint and highlight your international experiences including research, teaching, awards and honors, presentations, and professional development activities. Visit [www.usf.edu/gdh](http://www.usf.edu/gdh) to learn more.

## IDENTIFY COLLABORATORS

The Global Discovery Hub houses more than 1,000 USF faculty profiles with 9,000+ activities (since 2013) from across the three USF campuses and allows for searches based on date, geography, activity type, USF-affiliation, or keyword. Please contact Ms. Laurel Thomas at [lkthomas@usf.edu](mailto:lkthomas@usf.edu) if you have any database questions or need assistance with your profile.

## LEARN ABOUT USF'S INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

USF has active collaborative agreements in countries around the globe. These partnerships lay the foundation for profound and enriching international educational and research experiences for both faculty and students. Use the Global Discovery Hub to take a closer look at USF's global partnerships.

EXPLORE USF'S  
**180+ PARTNERSHIPS  
ACROSS 63 COUNTRIES.**

## PROCESS FOR ENGAGING WITH INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

For faculty and staff considering a formal partnership with an institution abroad, USF World recommends that colleagues initiate department and college level discussions regarding inter-institutional compatibility. A Feasibility Report is required as the first step in the formal agreement process and must be submitted to Ms. Adriana Morales at [morales@usf.edu](mailto:morales@usf.edu).



## ACCESS RESEARCH SUPPORT SERVICES

USF World maintains a suite of services dedicated to supporting international research endeavors. Learn about funding and fellowship opportunities in the online Global Discovery Newsletter and look through the “For Faculty” section of our website.

**Global Research Toolkit:** Still under construction, but actively seeking resource submissions and content contributions, the Global Research Toolkit is accessible to faculty and research administrators preparing grants and international research projects. Designed to connect various USF personnel across the campuses, as well as navigate common pitfalls when working abroad and preparing complex international grants, this toolkit can be accessed at <https://lib.usf.edu/globalresearchtoolkit/>.

### WHAT CAN BE FUNDED?

Research, professional development, creative endeavors, teaching, and more!

## CAREER & BUSINESS RESOURCES

**GoinGlobal:** Through USF’s subscription service to “[GoinGlobal](#),” faculty have access to over 100 country and city career guides that include useful information about business customs, cultural advice, and other resources abroad. Once you have opened a country or city career guide – click on the options for “Living There” or “General Resources” to access information that transcends career considerations. Also encourage your students to utilize this resource for global internships and employment opportunities. Look for the “International Careers” tab under the “For Students” portion of the USF World website.

## FACULTY FULBRIGHT AWARDS

The Fulbright Program aims to increase mutual understanding between the peoples of the U.S. and other countries through the exchange of persons, knowledge, and skills. USF has been a Top Producer of Fulbright Scholars for the last 6 years.

## FACULTY ADVISOR

Dr. Darlene DeMarie works with and advises postdocs through Distinguished faculty considering Fulbright awards. Contact her via email at [fulbright@usf.edu](mailto:fulbright@usf.edu) with questions or to RSVP for a workshop. Dr. DeMarie conducts **free workshops** throughout the year for faculty at all stages of the application process. Visit [usf.edu/world/for-faculty/faculty-fulbright.aspx](http://usf.edu/world/for-faculty/faculty-fulbright.aspx) for information.



## FULBRIGHT AWARDS ARE FLEXIBLE

The Fulbright Program offers awards to 160 different countries. It's important to match your expertise and proposed project with the priorities of a particular country and the individual award's stated priorities. Depending upon the award, faculty spend 2-11 months in one or more locations as Fulbright Scholars. Faculty awarded with **FLEX** awards have short-term appointments (1-3 months) that run multiple times over two years. Explore the full range of Fulbright research and teaching awards at [cies.org](http://cies.org) and work with Dr. DeMarie to match your expertise and project to the best award for you.

## EDUCATION ABROAD OFFICE

USF World is committed to making global education accessible to all students through faculty-led programs, short-term and semester-long affiliate and exchange programs, and various virtual options.

## USF WORLD GLOBAL CLASSROOM INITIATIVE

The addition of virtual programming has greatly expanded the reach and scope of USF's global footprint. We invite faculty to deepen existing partnerships or forge new linkages through the Global Classroom. The Global Classroom Initiative encompasses several models of engagement:

**Virtual Global Exchange (VGE):** Linking faculty at USF and abroad to collaborate on building learning activities linked to respective course objectives allowing their students to collaborate.

**Integrated Virtual Activities:** Embedding an element of an international program into a regular course, such as a cultural tour, guest lecture, or other enhanced international element.

**International Virtual Internships (IVI):** Work from home internship placements for students through our network of contacts around the globe.



# TRADITIONAL STUDY-ABROAD PROGRAMMING

USF has long highlighted the value of global education. Through the available programming at USF, students can make the world their classroom. These programs encompass several models:

**Faculty-Led Programming:** Faculty members work with EAO and our network of providers to develop itineraries around a course and lead students overseas. A limited number of proposals may be developed; faculty are encouraged to work closely with their chairs and colleges to determine the viability of a program prior to submitting a proposal.

**Complementary Embedded Experiences (CEEs):** A pre-designed short-program (7-10 days) where faculty are encouraged to link elements of the program to their existing syllabi. Not all students in the course need take part in the trip. Participating faculty do not attend the program abroad.

**Exchange and Affiliate Programming:** Allow for students to engage in international study within USF's vetted network of universities and partners.

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# OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL SERVICES

## Sponsoring a Visiting Scholar

The J-1 Exchange Visitor Program brings qualified international faculty, researchers, specialists, and other professionals to the United States to participate in educational and cultural programs.

Sponsoring a J-1 Scholar in your department or laboratory can be a great way to engage with foreign institutions, internationalize your research and curriculum, form valuable research connections, and share knowledge.

Please visit [usf.edu/world/international-services/scholars-and-employees/hosting-a-scholar.aspx](https://usf.edu/world/international-services/scholars-and-employees/hosting-a-scholar.aspx) for more information on hosting a visiting J-1 Scholar.



## Events for Visiting Students and Scholars

USF World hosts programs and events designed specifically for international scholars and students. Contact Ms. Erin Dudley for a schedule of events at [edudley@usf.edu](mailto:edudley@usf.edu).

## Employment Visas & Permanent Residency

In conjunction with USF's designated attorney, the Office of International Services (OIS) assists hiring departments with obtaining employment authorization (in the form of an employment-based visa for qualifying international employees) or in providing sponsorship of permanent residency based on USF employment for qualified USF positions. The first step is for the sponsoring department/college to contact the OIS Director, Marcia Taylor at [taylorm@usf.edu](mailto:taylorm@usf.edu), to discuss the appropriate category for the employee.

## INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL SUPPORT

USF World is your resource for information and services necessary for a safe and productive international travel experience. Visit our website to learn about travel registration, insurance, and resources at [usf.edu/world/for-global-travelers](https://www.usf.edu/world/for-global-travelers). The U.S. Department of State has safety and security information for every country of the world at [travel.state.gov](https://travel.state.gov).

The USF World Global Travel, Safety, and Health team provides support to students, faculty, and staff participating in business and student-related international travel. Questions can be directed to [globaltravel@usf.edu](mailto:globaltravel@usf.edu).

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL & EVACUATION INSURANCE

Register your international travel with USF World as required by Policy #10-507. This will enroll you in USF's Emergency Medical and Evacuation Insurance, a comprehensive plan that offers 100% reimbursement and/or coverage for medical expenses abroad, including evacuation for medical reasons, political unrest, or a natural disaster.

USF has a contract with International SOS for this insurance and emergency assistance overseas. Registration information can be found at: <https://www.usf.edu/world/for-global-travelers/travel-insurance.aspx>.

# OTHER GLOBAL RESOURCES

## Country Engagement Briefs

USF World maintains a library of two page briefs that highlights how the university connects with a country. Each Country Engagement Brief provides an overview of how students, faculty, and academic programs are engaged in-country. Request a copy before you travel from [lkthomas@usf.edu](mailto:lkthomas@usf.edu).

## Export Control

The [Office of Export Controls at USF](#) helps faculty, researchers, and staff navigate the complex environment of export regulations. USF is committed to the highest level of compliance with U.S. export control regulations. More information can be found at <https://www.usf.edu/research-innovation/research-integrity-compliance/ric-programs/export-controls/basic-information/index.aspx> or by contacting USF's export control officer, Mr. Frederick Pflueger, at [fpflueger@usf.edu](mailto:fpflueger@usf.edu).

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COUNTRY ENGAGEMENT BRIEF

**ABOUT USF**  
A Premier Research University located on the coast of Tampa Bay, the University of South Florida is dedicated to engineering students to maximize their potential for lifelong success. USF is ranked in the Global and Distance Education Top 50 regions, with campuses in Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Sarasota-Manatee. Together these campuses serve more than 50,000 students and offer undergraduate, graduate, certificate, and professional degrees. Over the past ten years, USF has been the fastest growing university in the nation, public or private, and the U.S. News and World Report's 2022 Best College rankings, and USF ranks in the 42nd best public university in America. Our graduate programs continue to number among the best, according to the U.S. News and World Report, with 12 graduate programs ranking in the top 50 in 2023. USF also ranks in the top university in Florida and in the top five in the nation according to the 2022 Times Higher Education (THE) University Impact Rankings.

**ABOUT USF WORLD**  
USF World leads the University's engagement with the world by providing resources that engage members of the university community to further our global mission and global interests. The goal of USF World is to promote a global culture at USF, facilitate robust connections, and engage global initiatives across the university, and deepen global engagement with the Tampa Bay community. USF contributes to solutions for the world's most pressing challenges. Visit USF World at [www.usf.edu/usfworld](https://www.usf.edu/usfworld) to learn more about the strategy for USF World and USF's global activities.

**USF AGREEMENTS**  
There are 26 international partnership agreements between USF and 8 institutions in Brazil.  
These include: Brazil/Coleção, Centro de Pesquisas Atomares, Fundação Brasileira para o Desenvolvimento Científico (FBC/INCT), Federal University of Paraná, FURG/RS, Minas, Pampa Científica e Tecnológica do PAMPA, Pontifícia Católica Universidade de Paraná, Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul (PUCRS), and São Leopoldo Muenster.

**FACULTY ENGAGEMENT**  
126 faculty engaged with Brazil\*  
183 are involved in one or more of the following: research and creative activities, teaching and mentoring, earned global degrees, professional voice and consulting, awards and honors.  
25 have been involved solely through conference participation in Brazil.

Category	Percentage
Research and Creative Endeavors	62%
Teaching and Mentoring	17%
Professional Service, Consulting & Development	17%
Award and Honors	3%
Earned Global Degrees	1%

\*Note: Faculty may appear in more than one category and additional data from 2022 to the present Conference presentations were not reported in the chart.

USF faculty published 262 papers with Brazilian co-authors from 2018 to 2022. The top institutions of collaboration in Brazil are Universidade de São Paulo, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul (FURG), and Pontifícia Católica do Rio de Janeiro.

COLLABORATE WITH USF WORLD TO PLAN VISITS FROM INTERNATIONAL DIGINARIES AND DELGATIONS

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<https://www.usf.edu/world>



**Instagram:** Visit @usfworld and @usfedabroad to learn more about our global programming



**The USF Global Discovery Hub** maps USF's global footprint of student, faculty, and agreement activity around the world.  
<https://www.usf.edu/gdh>



**YouTube:** Tune in to /usfworld to watch global alumni, admissions, and education abroad content



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