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# Taylor University Achieves High National Rankings in Newest Open Doors Survey Measuring Overseas Service, Study

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Taylor University has received high national and regional rankings from the newest *Open Doors* report—a survey associated with the U.S. Department of State that measures study abroad and service learning trips from colleges and universities in the United States to international destinations.

In the category *Total Number of Study Abroad Students: Top 40 Baccalaureate Colleges*, Taylor is ranked 14th nationally—a ranking that is significant in that Taylor is competing with larger universities on a nationwide scale. Taylor was also ranked sixth in another listing, *Undergraduate Participation in Study Abroad Baccalaureate Colleges*, and fourth in the category, *Leading Institutions by Short-Term Duration of Study Abroad (Baccalaureate Colleges)*.

The *Open Doors* report is a comprehensive information resource on U.S. students studying abroad for academic credit from their home colleges, and is published by the Institute of International

Education, an independent, not-for-profit organization with a network of over 1,200 member institutions. It is supported by a grant from the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs at the U.S. Department of State.

The data used in the survey was compiled during the 2017-2018 academic year.

Taylor students have studied and served abroad in numerous countries that include the Bahamas, Belize, China, Ecuador, England, Greece, Guatemala, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jordan, Lithuania, Mexico, Namibia, Paraguay, Philippines, Russia, South Korea, Spain, Thailand, and Uganda.

“It is increasingly imperative that college and university graduates in the 21st century are not only equipped to participate, but to excel in the global marketplace,” said Dr. Michael Hammond, Taylor’s Provost. “Taylor University’s historic emphasis on international service and learning has resulted in transformational experiences for our students, faculty, and staff, and has provided exceptional preparation for our graduates. We continue to be grateful to the Open Doors survey for these high national and regional rankings, which are valued external validations of our program.”

The *Open Doors* rankings come on the heels of Taylor’s latest number one ranking in the Midwest in the *U.S. News & World Report* category *Best Regional Colleges*—the 23rd consecutive year for Taylor to be ranked in the region’s top three. Taylor has also been highly ranked by Forbes.com, The Princeton Review, and Washington Monthly.



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