

Global Education Office

2025 Photo Contest

Eligibility

Study Away Entries: This contest is open to all current SUNY Plattsburgh students who participated in a study away program during one of the following semesters: Fall 2024, Winter 2025, Spring 2025, and Summer 2025. Students participating in the National Student Exchange are also eligible to enter.

International Student Entries: This contest is open to all current SUNY Plattsburgh international students during the Fall 2025 term.

Campus Community Entries: This contest is open to all current SUNY Plattsburgh students, faculty, and staff who do not fit the eligibility for the Study Away or International Student categories.

Photo Contest Rules

1. One contest entry per person. Each photo contest entry form may include up to two photos.
2. Photos must be recent:
 - a. Study Away categories: photos must be from the terms listed in the eligibility section.
 - b. International Student categories: photos must be from student's time as an international student at SUNY Plattsburgh.
 - c. Campus Community categories: photos must be from international travel from 2023 to present.
3. Images suggesting inappropriate or illegal activities will be disqualified at the discretion of the Global Education Office. Absolutely no alcohol should appear in submitted photos.
4. Photo attachments must be submitted electronically. File names must include the title that you indicated on your entry form. Example: Big Ben
 - i. File Size Specification: 100 MB or smaller file size. It should be saved as jpeg or png file type
5. Your photos and entry form must be received via the Google Form by **11:59 pm on Sunday, November 16, 2025**. Send any questions, concerns, etc. to studyaway@plattsburgh.edu.

Categories:

There will be two categories for each entry type:

1. **The World as Your Classroom:** Share a moment from your travel when the locale/scenery felt like your classroom. Share your favorite landscape, scenery, architecture, landmark, etc. photo. (You do not need to be in the photo).
2. **Live Like a Local:** Share a photo of the moment you felt truly immersed in the local culture. (You must be in this photo).

Contest Prizes and Judging

1. Photos will be judged by a panel of SUNY Plattsburgh faculty and/or staff.
 - a. One 1st prize winner will be selected from each of the categories per entry type.
i.e. one winner for Study Away-World as Your Classroom, one winner for International Student-World as Your Classroom, one winner for Campus Community-World as Your Classroom, one winner for Study Away-Live Like a Local, one winner for International Student- Live Like a Local, and one winner for Campus Community- Live Like a Local.
2. All photos will also be uploaded to a Google Form, which will be shared on Instagram and emailed to the campus community. This will allow the public to vote for the People's Choice Award. The People's Choice prize will be awarded to the photograph receiving the most votes.
3. **Prizes:**
 - a. Winners in all categories will receive SUNY Plattsburgh merch.

Notification of Winners

Category winners will be informed on Thursday, November 20 and announced via the Student and Employee Digests on Friday, November 21 as part of International Education Week

The People's Choice winner will be informed on Monday December 1 and announced via the Student and Employee Digests on Tuesday December 2.