

# 2017-18 UBC's International Community Field Experience EDUC 430



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# Goals of Presentation

- What is an international CFE?
- Why an international CFE?
- Where can I do an international CFE?
- How do I register for my international CFE?
- How am I assigned an international CFE?
- Costs and funding?

UBC TC in Querétaro, Mexico



# What is an International Community Field Experience (CFE)?

3 week field experience in a country *outside of Canada's borders*



Monterrey,  
Mexico



# Why an International CFE?

“This [international CFE] has had a huge impact on how I view early childhood education. I will definitely use this new-found knowledge in my teaching practice in the future.”

Stephanie Sammartino, Zurich CFE



Student's Art Work  
Sha Tin Elementary  
Hong Kong



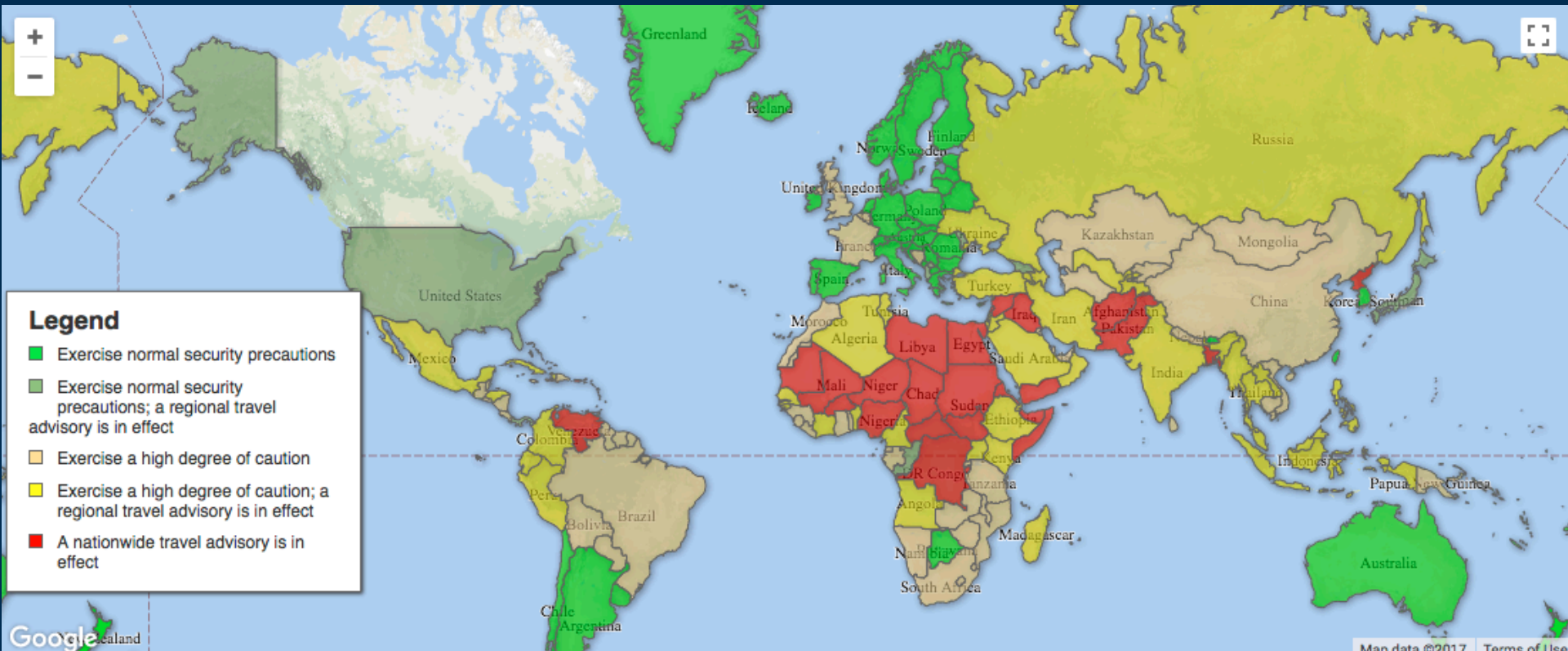
Qingdao, China

# Where can I do an International CFE?

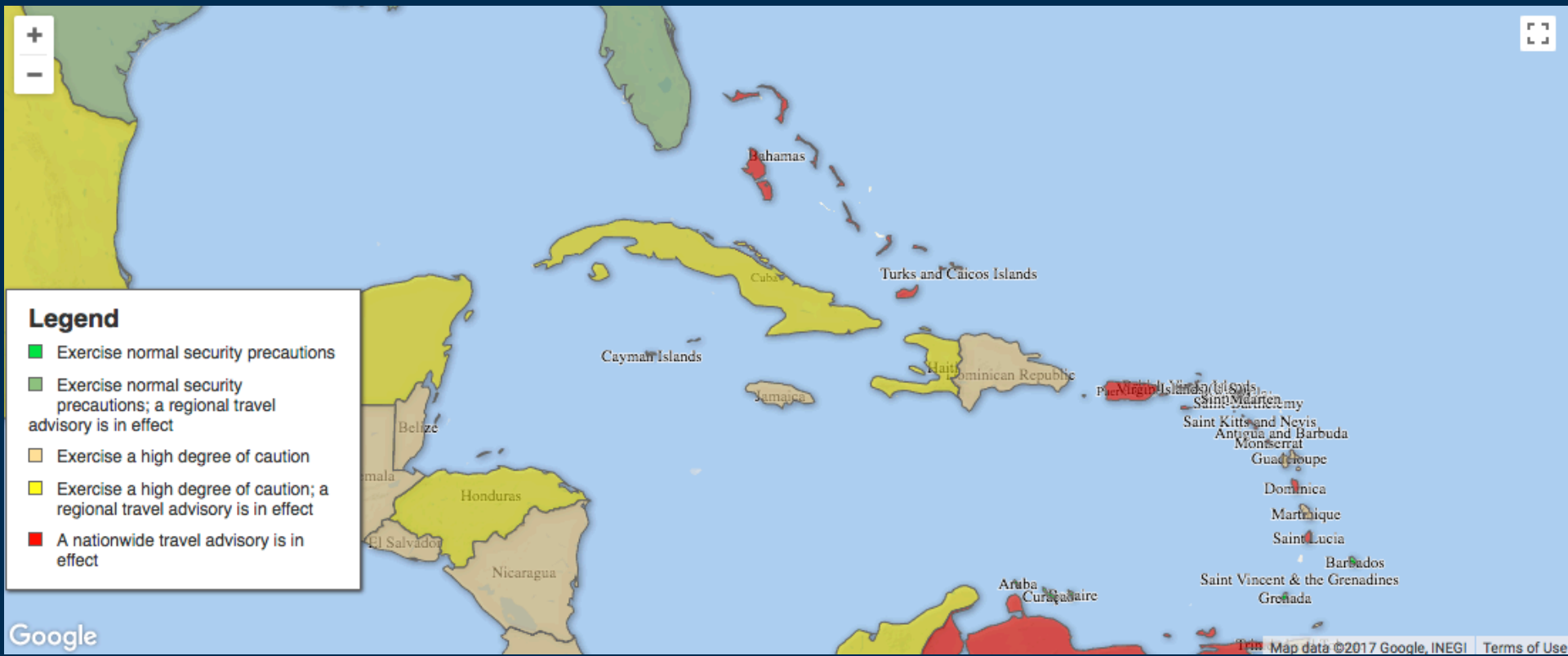
Practically anywhere where  
Canadians are **welcomed** and are  
**safe**, and where you have an  
opportunity to observe teaching and  
learning in local schools or  
community contexts

# Sep 18, 2017

## Government of Canada Travel Advisories



# Hurricane Irma



# Two placement options





# 1) We place you (~80 placements)



Hong Kong  
Zurich  
Freiburg  
Strasbourg  
Mexico  
Uganda  
London  
Tokyo

Uttarakhand, India  
Taipie, Taiwan  
Tokyo, Japan  
Qingdao, China  
Chongqing, China  
Ethiopia

## 2) You-place-you

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Athens, Greece  
Bogota, Columbia  
Coimbatore, India  
Hamburg, Germany  
Kalambaka, Greece  
Kula, USA  
Melbourne, Australia  
Nijmegen, Netherlands  
Perth, Australia

Berlin, Germany  
Dundee, Scotland  
Edinburgh, Scotland  
Galapagos, Ecuador  
Hartland, United Kingdom  
Helsinki, Finland  
Hsinchu, Taiwan  
San Francisco, USA

# What is the difference?



We Plan

**UBC  
PLACEMENT**

We do most of the work



You Plan

**SELF  
PLACEMENT**

You do most of the work



# Approximately what will it cost me to do an international CFE?

Flight	\$1,000 – \$4,000
Accommodation	\$500 – \$1,500
Travel	\$200 – \$300
Food	\$400 – \$750

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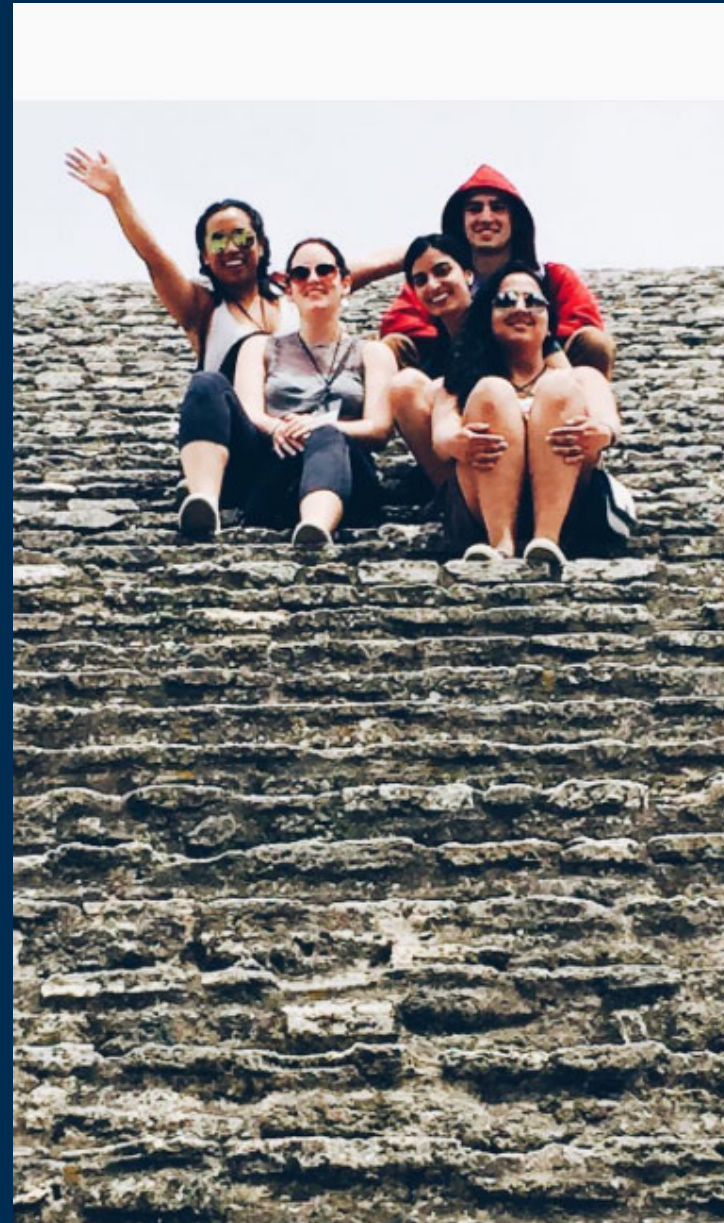
Total: \$2100 – \$6550



Is there funding  
available?

Yes, but  
limited.

Cholula  
Mexico





# UBC's Go Global funds

(For all international CFE placements)

Fees	407.00
Award	1000.00
Total Funds	593.00



Freiburg Germany

Are there any  
other cost  
savings?

There  
just  
may  
be!



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Do I have to find my own  
accommodation ?

It depends on the partner .

Tokyo (K international School) – No

London, England - Possibly

Self Placements - Yes



Where do I find more information about costs, accommodation, etc. for UBC-arranged placements?

[blogs.ubc.ca/ubcfe/  
international/](https://blogs.ubc.ca/ubcfe/international/)



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or...

[cfe.educ.ubc.ca](http://cfe.educ.ubc.ca)

# How do I register ?

You must complete  
**two** UBC forms, and **two** registries .



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Kong



# Two Forms







# FORM 1: General CFE registration

Completion Due Date:  
October 2, 2017



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## CFE

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Home » Teacher Candidates » Registration

- Teacher Candidate Guide
- International
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- Testimonial Form

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Register for the CFE on the UBC-Community Learning Initiative (UBC-CLI) website:  
<https://cbel-ubc-csm.symplicity.com/students>.

Step-by-step how to register videos >>

**Register for the CFE >>**



University of British Columbia has made an announcement

CFE form

[Click here for B.Ed student CFE form](#)

Deadline: ~~Sunday, October 2nd, 2016~~ at 11:59pm

Visit the CFE website (<http://cfe.educ.ubc.ca>) to explore placement opportunities before submitting your preferences.

**Need to make changes to your submission?** [Click here](#) to find your form and go to Edit Selected to change your preferences.

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar with the UBC logo, 'a place of mind', and 'THE UNIVE'. Below this is a menu with 'Home', 'Profile', and 'Orientations/Events'. The main content area shows a breadcrumb trail 'Home > Profile > Choose Your Opportunity' and a 'profile' heading. There are two buttons: 'Confirm Your Information' and 'Choose Your Opportunity'. Underneath, it says '1 Experience' and 'with UBC Faculty of Education For'. At the bottom of this section, there are three buttons: 'SUBMITTED', 'Review', and 'Edit Selected'. A red arrow points to the 'Edit Selected' button. The footer of the page reads 'Career Services Management System'.



SUBMIT

SAVE AS DRAFT

DELETE

CANCEL

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\* indicates a required field

## Registration form

Affiliation \*

All students - please type and select "UBC" below to activate the form.

Application Type \*

Current Academic Year \*

Please select your current academic year.



B.Ed students - International Placements \*

Would you like to request an international placement? (optional)



- Australia
- Chongqing, China
- Costa Rica
- England
- Ethiopia
- France
- Germany
- India
- Hong Kong
- Mexico
- New Zealand
- Qingdao, China
- Taiwan
- Tokyo
- Tunisia
- Uganda
- Switzerland
- Self-placement
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iated with these placements.

e (CFE) Application Form located



# **FORM 2: Supplemental International CFE application**

**Completion Due Date:  
September 29, 2017**



# FORM 2: Supplemental International CFE application

Faculty of Education  
Community Field Experience (EDUC 430)



# CFE

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IMAGINE  
INSPIRE**

[Home](#) » Supplemental International CFE Application

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## Supplemental International CFE Application

### A) Teacher Candidate's Contact Information

**Name \***

First

Last

**UBC Student Number \***





## B) Program Information

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### Program Option \*

- Elementary & Middle Years
- Secondary

### Practicum Faculty Advisor Name (If known)

First

Last

## C) Self-Placed Community Partner Information

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### Is this a self-placement CFE?

- Yes
- No



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Is this a self-placement CFE? \*

Yes

No

Country \*

City

Organization/School

Community Partner Contact Person's Name

First

Last

Community Partner Contact Person's Email

Community Partner Contact Person's Phone

Accommodation Contact Name

First

Last

Accommodation Host's Email

Accommodation Host's Phone



## D) Essay Requirement

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*For self-placement CFEs only.*

An essay of not more than 500 words must accompany this form. The essay must address the two following questions:

1. **“Why are you a suitable candidate for this experience?”**
2. **“What do you expect to learn from your self-placement CFE?”**

It must include the applicant’s name, be written by the applicant, saved using the file format:

**Firstname\_Lastname\_Self\_Placement\_Essay** (e.g., *Keith\_McPherson\_Self\_Placement\_Essay*), and submitted through the following upload link.

**File \***

Browse...

No file selected.



## E) Conditions

1. Teacher candidates (referred to as 'applicants' for the remainder of this form) must demonstrate a high level of achievement in course work and practicums.
2. Applicants must inform both their faculty advisor and the school advisor about his/her application for an international community field experience, and if there will be an impact on any coursework or practicums.
3. Applicants agree that participation in an international placement is conditional upon success in local practica.  
...
12. Applicants acknowledge that they have been strongly recommended to purchase flight cancellation insurance.

## F) Assumption of Risk

I am aware that there are certain risks associated with participation in an international placement. These risks may arise from, but may not be limited to, use of alternative transportation systems, planned activities or events on site, disease, influenza, different political systems, political unrest, or safety issues. Furthermore, I fully assume these risks. I also understand that medical facilities and treatment may be different from a standard than might be expected in Canada, therefore I agree to visit a travel clinic and obtain health advice for an international CFE prior to departing to an international CFE.

...

I also confirm that I have full medical insurance coverage, including out-of-town medical coverage, and that I can provide evidence of such insurance to UBC prior to my departure. I further acknowledge that UBC carries limited or no personal, medical, dental nor any accident benefit or disability insurance on my behalf and that it is my sole responsibility to ensure that I obtain and maintain sufficient personal insurance coverage through the CFE.

### Agreement \*

By checking "I Agree", the applicant indicates that they have read and understood the information on this form, and that they agree to abide by the stated *Conditions and Assumptions of Risk*.

I Agree

Your personal information is collected under the authority of section 26(c) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA). This information will be used for the purpose of registering your interest in applying for an international community field experience. Questions about the collection of this information may be directed to [cfe.educ@ubc.ca](mailto:cfe.educ@ubc.ca).

Submit



## IMPORTANT!

**Be sure to speak with the International CFE Advisor if you wish to attend an international CFE, yet are **unable to understand and/or sign off on these conditions and assumptions of risk.****

# Two Registries



Parking Woes – CFE Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

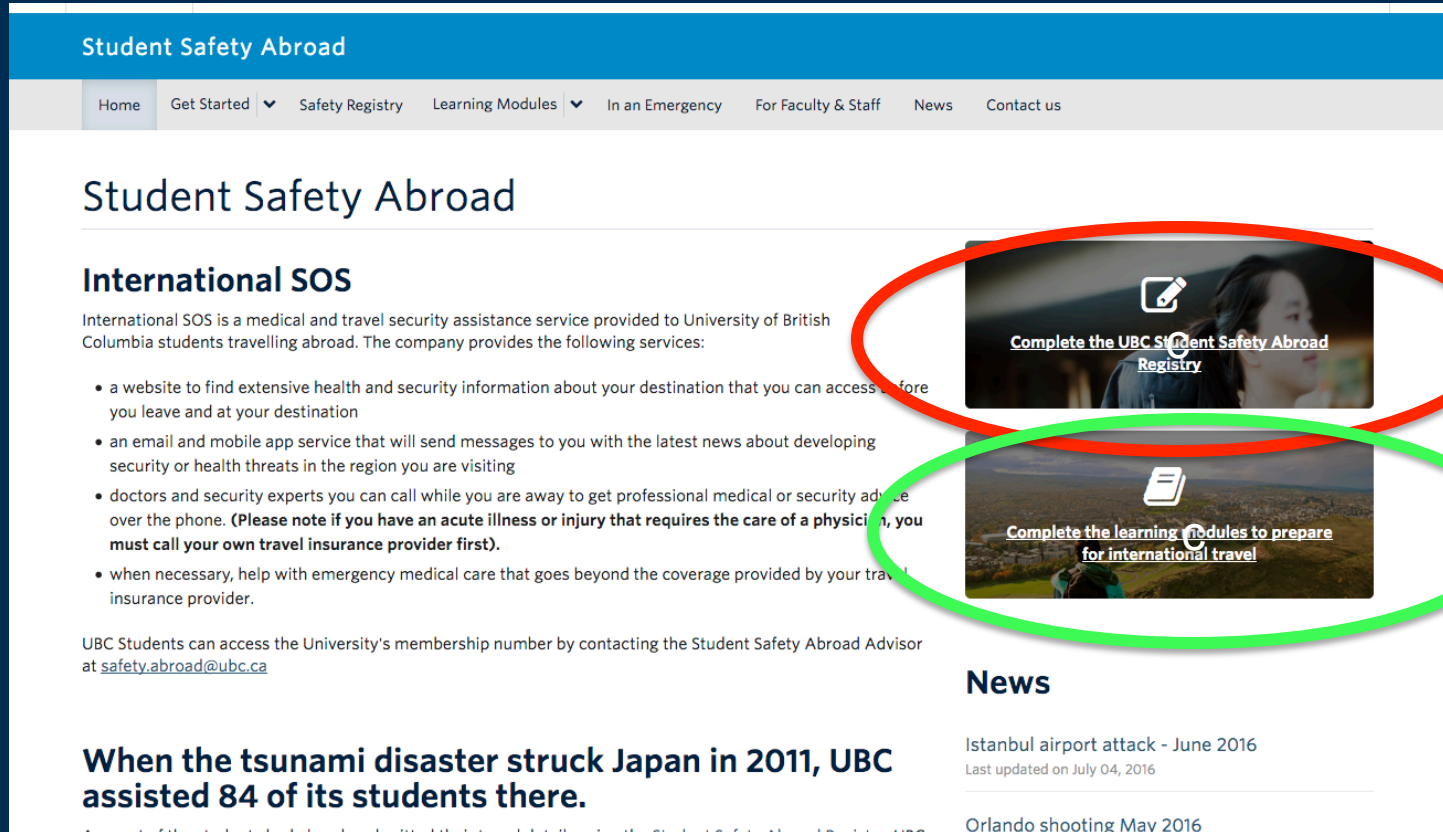


# Two Registries

Completion date by:  
December 15, 2017



# 1) Go Global Registry



The screenshot shows the 'Student Safety Abroad' website. The navigation bar includes 'Home', 'Get Started', 'Safety Registry', 'Learning Modules', 'In an Emergency', 'For Faculty & Staff', 'News', and 'Contact us'. The main heading is 'Student Safety Abroad'. Below it is the 'International SOS' section, which describes a medical and travel security assistance service. A list of services is provided, including a website for destination information, an email and mobile app service, professional medical advice, and emergency medical care. Two call-to-action buttons are highlighted with red and green circles: 'Complete the UBC Student Safety Abroad Registry' and 'Complete the learning modules to prepare for international travel'. The 'News' section features articles about the Istanbul airport attack in June 2016 and the Orlando shooting in May 2016. A large blue heading at the bottom reads 'When the tsunami disaster struck Japan in 2011, UBC assisted 84 of its students there.'

**Student Safety Abroad**

Home Get Started Safety Registry Learning Modules In an Emergency For Faculty & Staff News Contact us

## Student Safety Abroad

### International SOS

International SOS is a medical and travel security assistance service provided to University of British Columbia students travelling abroad. The company provides the following services:

- a website to find extensive health and security information about your destination that you can access before you leave and at your destination
- an email and mobile app service that will send messages to you with the latest news about developing security or health threats in the region you are visiting
- doctors and security experts you can call while you are away to get professional medical or security advice over the phone. **(Please note if you have an acute illness or injury that requires the care of a physician, you must call your own travel insurance provider first).**
- when necessary, help with emergency medical care that goes beyond the coverage provided by your travel insurance provider.

UBC Students can access the University's membership number by contacting the Student Safety Abroad Advisor at [safety.abroad@ubc.ca](mailto:safety.abroad@ubc.ca)

### When the tsunami disaster struck Japan in 2011, UBC assisted 84 of its students there.

Complete the UBC Student Safety Abroad Registry

Complete the learning modules to prepare for international travel

### News

Istanbul airport attack - June 2016  
Last updated on July 04, 2016

Orlando shooting May 2016



# 2) Canadians Abroad Registry

Registration of Canadians Abroad - Travel.gc.ca

travel.gc.ca/travelling/registration

Government of Canada / Gouvernement du Canada

Search Travel.gc.ca

Jobs | Immigration | Travel | Business | Benefits | Health | Taxes | More services

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- Country travel advice and advisories
- Travel health and safety
- Travel documents
- Air travel
- Canada to U.S. border wait times
- Registration of Canadians abroad**
- Not a Canadian citizen?

## Registration of Canadians Abroad

Registration of Canadians Abroad is a free service offered by Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada that keeps you connected to Canada in case of an emergency abroad, such as an earthquake or civil unrest, or an emergency at home.

Whether you're planning a vacation or living abroad, sign up in a few minutes or less.

[Online registration](#)
[Access my registration](#)

### Why register?

- It is quick, confidential and simple.
- We will notify you if there is an emergency in your travel region.
- You can access consular services

# Are there National opportunities?

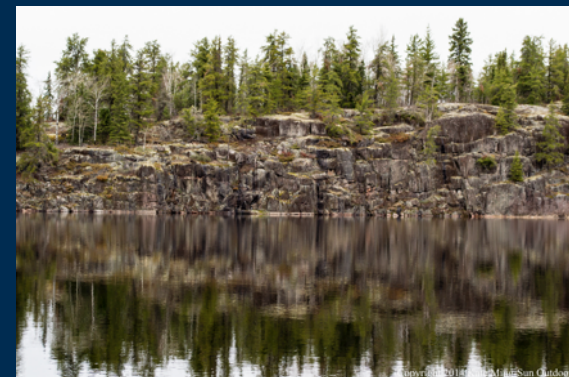
Yes, there are two:

Morrin Centre, Québec City  
(French Immersion)

Norval Outdoor School,  
Georgetown, Ontario



Wikipedia



[https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/0/06/Woodland\\_Caribou\\_Provincial\\_Park.jpg](https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/0/06/Woodland_Caribou_Provincial_Park.jpg)



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# Questions

Zurich, Switzerland





# How are applicants selected for an international placement?

**Self placements** – 1) Essay matches CFE goals. 2) Random selection

**UBC Placements** – 1) Partner's preferences. 2) Random selection.



When will I find out if I have been  
selected for an  
international placement?

~ End of October



# What are the odds of getting an international CFE?

There are 120 international placements.

Last year there were 224 applications.

On average, there is approximately **50% chance** of obtaining an international placement.



# Is there a pre-departure session?

Yes! This session is mandatory:

Thursday November 30, 2017

5:00 – 7:00 PM

Topics:

- Go Global funds and fees
- Meet with past students, current partners and placement coordinators
- General Q & As.

# If I am selected, when can I buy my plane ticket?

**Strong recommendation:**

Not until **5<sup>th</sup> week** in your 10 week practicum!

**Alternately:**

Whenever there is a savings that offsets the cost of an **UNLIMITED** trip cancellation insurance.



# If I am selected, does this mean I'm going?

In most cases, yes. However...

Teacher candidates must pass all course and practicum work to move onto their CFE.

Those not meeting expectations on their practicum or in their coursework may be required to withdraw from an international CFE.



# Can I leave my practicum early to attend to my CFE?

No.

With the *one* exception of those teacher candidates travelling to Africa or India.



# Can I arrive at my CFE one day late?

Yes!

...if your international CFE partner permits this.

(This is particularly noteworthy for those teacher candidates travelling west to locations like China and Japan where a day can be lost crossing the international date line).



# Can I bring my family along?

Unfortunately, no.

International partners have indicated that their organizations are simply not organized or equipped to accommodate family (with or without children).



# Can teacher candidates adjust their CFE dates?

Unfortunately not.

April 23 – May 11 (Secondary)  
June 11 – 29 (Elem. & Middle Years)





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# Your Questions?



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Hartland,  
England