

Internationalizing the Undergraduate Experience

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Preparation before the experience

Students enrolled in a 3 Credit Course covering:

- Egyptian culture, religion, and customs
- The land and people
- History of Egypt by Era
- Government, Politics, Economy, Agriculture
- University and Secondary Education and Agriculture Technology Programs
- USAID Projects

Experiences included visits to

- Cairo University
- South Valley University
- Luxor High School
- MAFA Farms
- The Great Pyramids of Giza
- The Luxor Temple
- Memphis and Sakkara
- Hurghada
- The Citadel
- The Coptic Christian Area
- The Egyptian Museum
- The Valley of the Kings

Requirements during the experience

Student were required to keep a journal including their thoughts, observations, experiences and impressions of the course and trip.

Suggestions

UF CALS Students will prepare a presentation for students of the International Universities and schools.

International Travel Attitudes

	Before				After			
	SD	D	A	SA	SD	D	A	SA
International travel is educational.	0%	0%	20%	80%	0%	0%	0%	100%
I am excited to learn more about Egyptian culture.	0%	0%	20%	80%	0%	0%	27%	73%
I like learning about different cultures.	0%	0%	33%	67%	0%	0%	20%	80%
Knowledge of international agriculture will help me in my career.	0%	7%	67	26%	0%	7%	67%	33%
Knowledge of international agriculture is important all CALS students.	0%	27%	47%	26%	0%	7%	47%	47%
International experiences are an important part of CALS student activities.	0%	7%	67%	26%	7%	0%	13%	80%
I am worried about the quality of water in Egypt.	0%	27%	53%	20%	0%	20%	53%	27%
It is important to study information about a foreign country prior to traveling there.	0%	0%	33%	67%	0%	7%	33%	60%
I am worried about being able to communicate with people in Egypt.	0%	27%	53%	20%	13%	67%	20%	0%
International agriculture should be an integral part of CALS undergraduate studies.	7%	20%	53%	13%	0%	7%	53%	40%
I am worried about eating different types of foods while in Egypt.	7%	60%	20%	13%	20%	33%	33%	13%
I am worried about crime while in Egypt.	7%	47%	33%	13%	13%	67%	20%	0%
I am worried about my safety outside the United States.	13%	47%	27%	13%	13%	40%	47%	0%
I am worried about using a different currency while in Egypt.	40%	47%	13%	0%	53%	47%	0%	0%
It is important to speak the language of the country you will be visiting.	7%	67%	20%	7%	13%	53%	27%	7%

SD-strongly disagree, D-disagree, A-agree, SA- strongly agree



Self Reported Knowledge

	Before				After			
	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Knowledge of international agriculture	27%	40%	27%	7%	7%	47%	47%	0%
Knowledge of Egyptian agriculture	73%	20%	7%	0%	0%	7%	86%	7%
Ability to compare and contrast U.S. & Egyptian agricultural production, processing, and marketing systems.	80%	7%	13%	0%	7%	13%	73%	7%
Ability to compare and contrast Egyptian & UF higher education in agriculture programs.	80%	7%	13%	0%	0%	20%	33%	47%
Ability to identify similarities and differences between Arab and western cultures.	13%	53%	27%	7%	0%	7%	67%	27%

Egyptian Knowledge Test

	Before	After
Directions: Please answer each question to the best of your ability.	% Correct	% Correct
What is the primary language spoken in Egypt?	67%	100%
What is the capital of Egypt?	87%	100%
Where is Egypt located?	87%	100%
What is the currency used in Egypt?	13%	100%
What percentage of exports from Egypt are agricultural products?	0%	0%
What countries border Egypt?	15%	20%
What are Egypt's primary agricultural exports?	17%	23%
Egypt is bordered by what two bodies of water?	50%	87%
How many governorates (provinces) are there in Egypt?	0%	0%

Student Demographics

Have you traveled internationally before this experience?	Yes 67%		No 33%	
a. If yes, how much total time have you spent out of the United States? NONE: 33%	Less than 1 Week 0%	1 to 2 Weeks 13%	2 to 4 Weeks 13%	More than 4 Weeks 43%
b. If yes, how many total countries have you been to?	0-33%, 1-7%, 2-13%, 3-13%, 4-13%, 5-7%, 6-13%			
Have you had instruction in International Agriculture?	Yes 47%		No 53%	
If yes, how much total time have you spent out of the United States? NONE: 60%	Less than 1 Week 0%	1 to 2 Weeks 13%	2 to 4 Weeks 13%	More than 4 Weeks 13%
What is your age?	19-7%, 20-7%, 21-40%, 22-27%, 23-20%			
What is your gender?	Female 87%		Male 13%	
What is your major?	26% Animal Sciences, 20% Food and Resource Economics, 13% Food Science & Human Nutrition, 13% Family Youth and Community Sciences, 7% Agricultural Education and Communication, 7% Environmental Sciences, 7% Entomology and Nematology, 7% Environmental Management in Agriculture and Natural Resources			
What is your classification (e.g. 3AG)?	73% 4AG, 20% 3AG, 7% 3SNRE			

