

# Spiders Abroad Photo/Video Contest

## Contest Rules

Thank you for your interest in the Spiders Abroad Photo/Video Contest sponsored by International Education. This contest is open to University of Richmond students, faculty, staff, and alumni. Winning entries may be displayed in the Carole Weinstein International Center, included in future University publications, and/or showcased on the OIE website. All submissions may be used in the promotion of the University and its study abroad programs.

To enter, carefully read the eligibility requirements and selection criteria below and make your submissions **by the end of February**.

### Eligibility Requirements

1. All returned study abroad students, international students, exchange students, alumni, faculty, and staff (“entrants”) may participate in the contest.
2. Photos and/or videos must be original works (entries from professional photographers are not allowed) and have been captured by the entrant.
3. Entries become the property of the University of Richmond and may be edited and reproduced for publication in electronic or print form to promote the University and its related programs and activities.
4. Photos may be color, black and white, and/or sepia and must be submitted as high-resolution digital files.
5. Videos should be no longer than two minutes and uploaded to a video hosting service in high definition or directly to the Box upload widget.
6. A maximum of two photos and/or one video may be submitted per entrant.
7. **Returned study abroad students** should submit photos and/or a video taken during their program abroad.
8. **International students** (degree-seeking and exchange) may submit photos and/or a video taken during their time in the United States.
9. **Alumni, faculty, and staff** may submit photos and/or a video from business or leisure travel taken within the past 12 months.
10. Entries must be received **on or before the last day of February**. Late entries will not be accepted.

### Selection Criteria

A panel of University adjudicators will review all entries. The best submissions will capture the entrant and her/his exploration and engagement with the host culture. Other selection criteria include:

- Technical and artistic merit (clarity, focus, lighting, etc.)
- Photos exhibiting the entrant’s experience abroad (e.g. academic learning, cultural learning, international awareness, cultural sensitivity, or fun)
- An original approach to the subject matter

**To Submit Photo Entries:**

- Upload high-resolution, digital photos (JPEG preferred) online at <https://international.richmond.edu/global-richmond/awards-recognition/photo-contest/index.html> .  
(**Notes on photo resolution:** Photos taken on cameras with at least 4 megapixels will usually yield a high-resolution photo suitable for this contest, provided the camera is capturing the image at its highest resolution setting. Most smartphones capture photos in high resolution, too. Ideally, the largest dimension of your photo—either vertical or horizontal—should be 2000 pixels or greater. Photos with more pixels are preferred.)

**To Submit Video Entries:**

- Post your video to an online hosting service like YouTube or Vimeo (a maximum of two minutes)
- E-mail the video link to [international@richmond.edu](mailto:international@richmond.edu) or upload the file to the Box widget at <https://international.richmond.edu/global-richmond/awards-recognition/photo-contest/index.html>
- If submitting a link via email, please include your:
  - First and Last Name
  - UR Profile (faculty staff, domestic student, international student)
  - Abroad Location
  - Video Title
  - Video URL

**Prizes**

Winning entrants will receive prizes valued at up to \$35, and their photographs/videos may be displayed in the International Center, included in future University publications, and/or showcased on University websites. Winners will be announced in mid-April.

**Questions?**

Please contact [international@richmond.edu](mailto:international@richmond.edu), or call 804.287.6557.