Spiders Abroad Photo Contest

Contest Rules

Thank you for your interest in the Spiders Abroad Photo 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 International Education 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 prior to the deadline.

Eligibility Requirements

1. All returned study abroad students, international students, exchange students, alumni, faculty, and staff ("entrants") may participate in the contest.
2. Photo submission must be an original work (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. A maximum of one (1) photo may be submitted per entrant.
6. Returned study abroad students should submit photos taken during their program abroad within the last year.
7. International students (degree-seeking and exchange) may submit photos taken during their time in the United States or from their home country.
8. Alumni, faculty, and staff may submit photos from recent business or leisure travel abroad.
9. Entries must be received on or before the deadline date announced on the website. 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 their 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
Photo Submissions:
Submit high-resolution, digital photos (JPEG preferred) by:

1. Posting a photo to your Instagram feed, tagging @urichmondoie, using hashtag #SpidersAbroad, and telling us about your photo (location and brief description)

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.

Prizes
Winning entrants will receive travel-themed prizes valued up to $35 and their photograph 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, or call 804.287.6557.