# The Benefits, Drawbacks, and Considerations of a Study Abroad Program at Northern Plains Community College: A Recommendation Report

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## Introduction: The Need for a Study Abroad Program

- Northern Plains does not have their own study abroad program
- For 30 years, Northern Plains has offered study abroad opportunities through local college partnerships
- More students want these opportunities, but are unable to participate because of limited availability
- Northern Plains needs a study abroad program to meet student's needs
- Three Key Areas of Research: Benefits, Drawbacks, and Considerations



Students Learn Self-Agency

## Benefits



Long-Term Mood Improvement



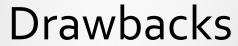
Better Workplace Careers and Improved Quality of Life



#### Classroom Anxiety



Risky Behaviors and Sexual Violence





These Factors are Outside of the College's Control

## Considerations



STUDENTS VALUE EMPLOYABILITY



STUDENTS NEED AN INTERCULTURAL IDENTITY



GOOD PROGRAMS IMPROVE STUDENT EXPERIENCE

### Recommendations

- Action 1: Create a Preparatory Course for Students
- Action 2: Focus on Employment Opportunities and Intercultural Identity
- Action 3: Ensure that the College has Enough Resources to Support Their Students

# End of Presentation



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