**CONTEST RULES**

**Eligibility requirements:**

1. Entrants must have participated in a UTA sponsored study abroad program taking place between the dates of August 1, 2015 through July 31, 2016.
2. A maximum of five (5) photos may be submitted per entrant, one (1) photo per category. The categories are: People, Culture, Architecture, Landscape and Comical. See explanation of categories below.
3. Photos must be original work (no professional photos will be accepted) and have been taken by the entrant during the entrant’s study abroad program or by another participant on the entrant’s program.
4. If you are submitting a photo taken by another Study Abroad participant, you may be asked to provide written consent from the participant who took the photo.
5. Photos should be submitted as a digital copy (emailed to studyabroad@uta.edu) which will be printed by the UTA Study Abroad Office. To ensure the best print quality, please save the photo as a JPEG at the highest resolution possible. The digital copy will become the property of the Office of International Education.
	1. We also encourage you to submit a few sentences to go with each photo as a caption.
6. A completed official entry form must accompany any submission.
7. Entries must be received no later than **5:00 p.m., Friday, September 30, 2016.**
8. The Office of International Education determines eligibility of entries and reserves the right to refuse submissions for any reason.

**Categories:**

1. ARCHITECTURE – photos of any man-made structure (located outside the U.S.) are welcome.
2. COMICAL – a lighthearted category meant to exhibit the entertaining and social aspects of studying abroad. Good clean fun only please.
3. CULTURE – a miscellaneous category of sorts, but photos should capture a moment in the study abroad program of particular cultural poignancy.
4. LANDSCAPE – photos should be of a landmark or landscape that is clearly identifiable as an international location.
5. PEOPLE – photos should capture images of people in an identifiable international location.

**Awards:**

Photos will be displayed in the University Center Gallery and voting will take place October 10-14, 2016. Winners will be announced as part of UTA’s International Education Week, October 31- Nov 4, 2016.

Prizes will be awarded to 1st place winners in each of the five categories – People, Culture, Architecture, Landscape and Comical – as well as an overall GRAND PRIZE. The public votes for the best photo in each category and for the Grand Prize Photo. In addition, all photos will be shared on the UTA Study Abroad Facebook page, and a prize for Facebook Favorite will be awarded to the photo receiving the most “likes” online during the voting period.

**Additional information:**

ALL photos (both winners and non-winners) will become the property of the Office of International Education and will not be returned. Entry into the contest will be deemed consent for use of entries in various marketing activities, publications, and/or on the Web for the purpose of promoting study abroad at The University of Texas at Arlington. This means all photos, not just winning entries, will be eligible for inclusion in such activities. Winning photographs will be displayed in the UC, Study Abroad Fair, and on UTA Study Abroad web and social media sites. Winners may also be publicized in the Shorthorn.

TO ENTER, COMPLETE THE CONTEST ENTRY FORM AND RETURN WITH YOUR PHOTOS TO UTA STUDY ABROAD AT studyabroad@uta.edu. **DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS 5PM ON FRI, SEPT. 30th.**