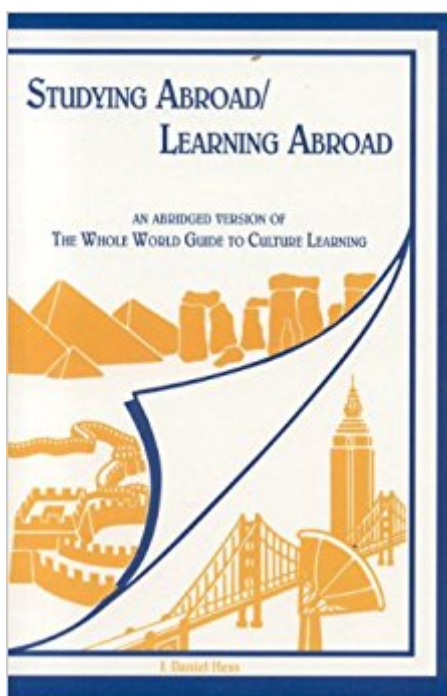


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Most people who go abroad experience a bit of culture shock, but to reap the rewards of studying and learning abroad, one must identify and face squarely the difficulties in experiential learning in a different culture. *Studying Abroad/Learning Abroad* is a student-friendly abridgement of J. Daniel Hess' *The Whole World Guide to Culture Learning* that will guide you through sorting out the dynamics of studying abroad. This book helps you dig beneath the surface of superficial actions to experience cultural learning at its deepest, most meaningful level by teaching to make note of cultural differences, body language, and interaction styles; overcome cucarachas, or elements of a host culture that are irritating or even repugnant; observe differences in time use; documents the experiences of studying abroad with a journal; and how to adapt on the return home. Hess outlines attitudes and character traits that foster effective learning, including how to deal with the dilemma of cultural relativism, and defines an action-reflection-response method for dealing with intercultural experiences. With its carefully selected excerpts from *The Whole World Guide to Culture Learning*, *Studying Abroad/Learning Abroad* provides a thorough review of culture learning and will greatly enrich any study abroad program.

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This book is a great new perspective for the eager traveler! Whether traveling for fun, business, or other, one can get valuable information from the new ideas presented. Inevitably, every traveler will experience culture shock of some sort. Loss of sleep, irritability, or even depression can be indication that one is going through culture shock. This book seeks to cover how to deal with culture shock and avoid it. Even though I've traveled fairly extensively, there were still plenty of things I did not realize. I would definitely recommend!

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