

## **International Health Insurance For Those Studying Abroad Is Crucial**

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*Anyone planning to study overseas should obtain an international health insurance plan before they go. Expat Financial provides international health insurance plans to students around the world*

Thousands of students will soon be traveling abroad to attend university and college this fall should make sure that they have their medical needs well covered. In 2007, there were approximately 582,000 international students in the United States at various colleges and universities. Over 200,000 Americans studied abroad last year. Some educational institutions have compulsory health plans for their students while others allow the students to obtain their own health insurance coverage. Expat Financial offers a wide variety of international health insurance plans for students around the world via:

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Many students traveling overseas may not know is that the medical plans that the colleges offer may not cover them while away from the school on vacation or especially if they return home. David Tompkins of TFG Global Insurance Solutions Ltd, owner of the web site Expat Financial noted that "for Americans getting their education abroad, their health insurance plan may not cover treatment back in the United States. If a student gets a serious illness or injury, his or her family will probably want to have the student's extensive treatment done at home."

David Tompkins also noted that some students only get a travel insurance policy which will only cover medical emergencies. If the student gets MS or cancer, a travel insurance policy will probably not cover such an illness. Thus, it makes sense to get an intentional health insurance policy before one goes abroad for education."

Expat Financial was formed back in 1999 to provide an international insurance portal for people living abroad to obtain international life, disability, travel and global medical insurance coverage. The intentional health insurance plans offered by Expat Financial via:

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can cover citizens around the world both abroad and also provide treatment in their home country. It is recommended that if a US citizen is intending on studying abroad this year, he or she obtain a high quality global medical insurance plan which provides global treatment, especially in the United States.

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