

American Universities International Programs Limited



2015 AUIP Photo Contest: Pacific Wanderers

Christchurch, New Zealand -- August 1, 2015 -- American Universities International Programs (AUIP) announces its 2015 Photo Contest: Pacific Wanderers. Sponsored by <u>Cape Tribulation Beach House Resort</u>, <u>Student Universe</u>, <u>Hexagon International</u>, <u>Downunder Farmstays</u>, <u>Lychee Tree</u>, <u>Pinewood Lodge</u> and <u>Abel</u> <u>Tasman Kayaks</u>, the photo contest launches August 1, 2015 at all partner universities throughout the United States.

Eligibility

The 2015 AUIP Photo Contest is open to everyone who has studied abroad on an AUIP program. Alumni who entered previous AUIP photo contests are eligible to enter again this year with new photos never previously submitted for an AUIP contest.



Rules

Photo submissions must be the entrant's original work. Photos must have been taken abroad during an AUIP program. Photos cannot be digitally modified or enhanced. The contest contains two categories: Adventure in Learning and The Great Outdoors. Each entrant is limited to entering one photo in each category (i.e. one photo for Adventure in Learning and one photo for The Great Outdoors). AUIP reserves the right to exclude any photos it deems to be inappropriate. All photos submitted can be used by AUIP in a number of places, including the AUIP website, posters and slide shows. All photos must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. EST on Monday, August 31, 2015.

Submission

Two Categories:

Adventure in Learning: photographs show the way AUIP study abroad programs integrate learning and adventure in a hands-on format

The Great Outdoors: photographs show the magnificence of the natural world (note that entries in this category *can* include people)

Review the contest rules outlined above, and then upload a photo to the <u>AUIP Facebook page</u> with a caption. Your caption should include: category being entered, photo title, your name, AUIP program and year, and home university.

Caption example: The Great Outdoors, Dusky dolphins showing off in Kaikoura, Joe Smith, New Zealand Sustainability 2015, Frostburg State University.

Judging & Awards

Awards will be given for First, Second and Third places and People's Choice Awards in both categories, Adventure in Learning and The Great Outdoors. For the People's Choice Awards, the photo in each category with the most 'Like's will win the prize. 'Like's must be on the photo itself on the AUIP Facebook page. Entrants are encouraged to have friends and family 'Like' their entered photo(s) to increase the chances of winning this award. The photo contest coordinator will count the total number of 'Like's for each photo entered on Sunday, September 6, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. EST to determine the People's Choice winners.

All winners will be announced on Monday, September 7, 2015. A panel of judges will be appointed by the photo contest coordinator to evaluate photo submissions according to the following criteria: (1) Originality, (2) Creativity, (3) Impact, and (4) Artistic Merit.

Prizes

The following prizes will be provided to each category (Adventure in Learning and The Great Outdoors): **First Place**: Apple iPad mini (valued at \$300) donated by <u>Cape Tribulation Beach House Resort</u> in Australia **Second Place**: \$200USD Student Universe flight voucher donated by <u>Student Universe</u> and <u>Hexagon</u> <u>International</u> in Fiji

Third Place: ENO Reactor Hammock (valued at \$100) donated by <u>Downunder Farmstays</u> and <u>Lychee Tree</u> both in Australia

People's Choice Award: Winter weight guide jacket (valued at \$150) donated by <u>Pinewood Lodge</u> and <u>Abel</u> <u>Tasman Kayaks</u> both in New Zealand