

Spend a Month Abroad!





RECIPROCAL SUMMER EXCHANGE PROGRAM



PROGRAM SUMMARY

Are you interested in traveling abroad but worry about missing school? Do you want to experience another culture, learn a foreign language and make new friends? If so, then ARISE's reciprocal summer exchange program is perfect for you! The reciprocal program is a true exchange. You will travel to one of our participating countries to live with a volunteer host family who has a teenager in their home. In turn, your family will host the international teenager in your home. This creates a special bond between the students and their families that will last a lifetime!

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM?

- Placement of the student with a fully screened, highly qualified family that has been selected for you based on similar interests, hobbies, personality and family dynamics.
- Health insurance.
- Meals provided by the host family.
- Student and host family orientations.
- Transportation of the student to/from the airport.
- Assistance and guidance from ARISE's staff and international partners throughout the student's participation in the program. All of our international partners are fluent in English should the student need to speak with them.



PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES:

The student may choose to travel to one of the following countries:









GERMANY

BRAZIL



SPAIN



Program Duration: Summer 2022—The American family will host the international student for 4 weeks. Upon completion of the 4 weeks, the American student will travel to the international student's home country to spend 4 weeks with his/ her family. The students and their families are encouraged to communicate with each other in advance to assure that the program dates are suitable for both parties. ARISE will help facilitate these arrangements.

Cost: Please e-mail info@arise-usa.org

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The reciprocal summer program is a great way for teens to experience life abroad while living with a family and participating in their daily activities. To qualify, students must be:

- Between the ages of 14-18 years of age.
- Demonstrate maturity and the ability to live far from home for a period of one month.
- Have the motivation and desire to fully immerse themselves in another culture.

Families are required to provide the international student with room and board, as well as a loving family environment. They must also agree to pick the student up at the airport upon his/her arrival and transport him/her to the airport upon his/her departure, as well as include the student in all of the family's activities. All adult members of the family (ages 18 and above) are required to undergo criminal background checks.





FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What's covered by the insurance?

The insurance will cover the student if he/she becomes sick or injured during his/her exchange. It does NOT cover pre-existing conditions, immunizations or routine exams. The student and his/her legal guardians will receive a copy of the complete policy, and the student will be issued an insurance card to carry with him/her at all times.

What kind of visa will the student require?

Americans do not require a visa to travel to Brazil, France, Germany or Spain; however, their length of stay is limited to 90 days.

Is the student required to have knowledge of the language spoken in the country that he/she will be visiting?

No, but it is preferable that the student have some background in the language as it will make the adaptation process easier.

What expenses are the student and his/her legal guardians responsible for?

The student is required to purchase a round-trip airline ticket. (ARISE is available to provide assistance if needed.) The student is also responsible for personal expenses and any medical expenses not covered by the insurance policy.



ABOUT US

ARISE (Association Representing International Student Exchange) sponsors highly qualified international students, ages 14-18, and provides them with quality exchange programs both in the U.S. and abroad. Its founders have over 25 years of experience in the field of cultural exchange at the high school level. Everyone involved in ARISE's program, from our main office to our international partners and local area representatives strive to create the experience of a lifetime for the student and the host family. Our host families are open and caring and treat the students, not simply as a guest, but as a true member of the family. Our goal is to create lifelong relationships between the students and host families.