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## **FOUNDATION FOR ASIA PACIFIC EDUCATION ANNOUNCES \$10,000 DONATION FROM STA TRAVEL IN CONTINUING SUPPORT OF NORTH AMERICAN STUDENTS STUDYING ABROAD IN ASIA PACIFIC**

DENVER, Colo. – <DATE> – The [Foundation for Asia Pacific Education](http://www.asia-pacific-foundation.org) today announces it has received a \$10,000 donation from STA Travel Inc., a global travel specialist with 30 years of experience helping students, teachers and young professionals travel the world.

The donation is the second from STA Travel to support the foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization raising funds to assist students in gaining cultural and academic experiences in the Asia Pacific region.

“This new \$10,000 donation from STA Travel is a strong show of support for our ongoing work making study abroad in the Asia Pacific a reality for more students regardless of their backgrounds,” said Foundation Chair Christie Doherty. “With these additional STA Travel scholarships, we can open more doors for students to gain international experience in this important region of the world.”

Last year’s \$10,000 STA Travel donation to the foundation supported five students who studied in Japan, Korea, Australia and Mongolia.

“Our mission is to create opportunities for students and young adults to experience the world in any way they choose,” said Kevin Jacobs, STA Travel’s managing director. “This donation helps us achieve that mission and give deserving students the opportunity to study abroad where they can learn just as much about themselves as they do about the world around them.”

Brendan Morrell, a University of Pittsburgh student, in 2009 received at STA Travel scholarship from the foundation. It enabled him to live and travel last summer in and around Mongolia.

“This trip was not only incredibly enjoyable and educational in terms of cultural awareness but also very beneficial to my academic life and career path,” he said in an essay. “I doubt I would have been able to participate in it if not for the generous scholarship I received.”

STA Travel’s donation directly supports the Foundation for Asia Pacific Education’s mission, which is to help young adults in North America become global citizens and leaders who understand Asia Pacific’s role as the hub of an increasingly interconnected world. The Foundation’s strategic partner is GlobalLinks Learning Abroad, which offers the educational programs AustraLearn, AsiaLearn and EuroLearn. As a leading provider of education abroad programs to North American students, GlobalLinks Learning Abroad provides vision and

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financial support to the foundation so it can seek contributions from individuals and organizations who believe in the power of study abroad.

STA Travel scholarships are designated for students majoring in Photography, Film and Art, Travel and Tourism, International Business, International Studies and Foreign Language.

## **About The Foundation For Asia Pacific Education:**

The Foundation for Asia Pacific Education, a 501(c)(3) non-profit based in Denver, has since 2007 provided more than \$400,000 in scholarships to more than 400 North American college students for study in the Asia Pacific region. The Foundation receives strategic vision and financial support from GlobalLinks Learning Abroad, which offers the educational programs AustraLearn, AsiaLearn and EuroLearn. GlobalLinks Learning Abroad, a Westminster, Colo.-based organization with a 20-year history of providing education abroad programs to more than 22,000 North American students studying in Australia, New Zealand, the South Pacific, Asia and Europe.

The Foundation's mission is to create global citizens and leaders by assisting students in achieving personal and professional goals through international education experiences within the Asia Pacific region. Students from underrepresented populations in international education are a priority. The Foundation supports its mission through financial and other contributions from individuals and organizations who see the value of education abroad for their own goals and the world in general.

For more information on the Foundation, its impact and ways to get involved and support its mission, visit [asia-pacificfoundation.org](http://asia-pacificfoundation.org) or call 303-502-7256.

## **About STA Travel Inc.:**

STA Travel Inc. is a global travel specialist with 30 years experience helping students, teachers and young professionals travel the world. STA Travel offers a unique range of products with exclusive discounts on airfare, accommodations, tours, rail passes and more. Globally, STA Travel is present in 90 countries with 400 retail locations, sending over 6 million travelers away each year. For more information visit [STA Travel's web site](#).

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