

Chapter 9: Have Interest, Will NOT Travel

Unexpected Reasons Why Students Opt Out of International Study

Table 9.2: Factors Influencing Decisions Not to Participate in Study Abroad

Answers from closed responses		
	N	Mean
Do not perceive the cost to be affordable	937	3.17
Does not fit/meet my academic requirements	935	3.25
Personal disinterest	938	3.33
Do not want a change of environment	934	3.49
Parental Influence	938	3.77
Do not perceive a positive impact on my career	941	3.77
Influence of peers/friends	937	3.97
Not aware of any IEs	941	4.13
Influence of school staff, professor and/or mentors	938	4.19
Do not want to challenge myself	940	4.41
	#	%
Answers from open responses		
quality of education	1	0.5%
age	2	1.1%
grade concerns	2	1.1%
too long away from home	2	1.1%
work	5	2.7%
health	7	3.7%
made other choices	7	3.7%
already have intl travel	11	5.9%
family	11	5.9%
intl student	11	5.9%
athlete	62	33.2%