

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 52nd Legislature (2010)

3 HOUSE
4 RESOLUTION 1097

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Resolution recognizing the importance of study
8 abroad; encouraging Oklahoma institutions of higher
9 education to meet challenges of global society; and
10 directing distribution.

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12 WHEREAS, the House of Representatives of the State of Oklahoma
13 recognizes the importance of study abroad at our institutions of
14 higher education for the future of Oklahoma; and

15 WHEREAS, the world has become increasingly interconnected
16 through advances in technology and transportation, and a global
17 perspective is critical in facing the challenges of the 21st
18 century; and

19 WHEREAS, providing the future leaders of this state with the
20 broadest possible education will significantly impact our national
21 security, foreign policy, economic competitiveness, economic revenue
22 and capacity for tolerance; and

23 WHEREAS, universities and colleges should be encouraged to
24 introduce Oklahoma students in all majors to other cultures, foreign

1 languages, and global issues and to provide opportunities to study
2 abroad, which will enrich students' perspectives and personal
3 development; and

4 WHEREAS, institutions of higher education should collaboratively
5 participate in a study abroad consortium; and

6 WHEREAS, study abroad would allow Oklahomans to compete with
7 other markets and strengthen the value of an education received in
8 Oklahoma, to create a workforce that is capable of excelling the
9 increasingly global marketplace and attract industry, and to expand
10 the opportunity for access to study abroad to become a cornerstone
11 of higher education in Oklahoma.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
13 OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 52ND OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

14 THAT the House of Representatives of the State of Oklahoma
15 hereby recognizes the importance of study abroad and encourages
16 Oklahoma institutions of higher education to meet the challenges of
17 a global society.

18 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to Sunny Garner,
19 National NAFSA Oklahoma State Whip.

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