

Finding your Fit: Swipe Right on Study Abroad

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Let's Introduce Our Country Contestants!

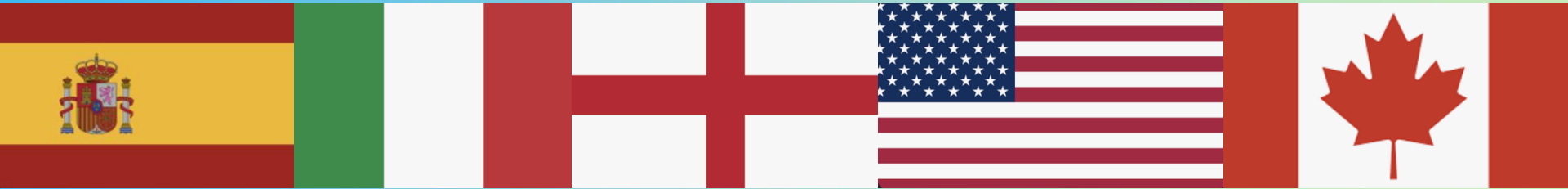
And who will be their match-makers from the audience?

Describe your country, perhaps as if the setting of a date - let's see who from the audience can guess correctly for a prize?



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If you could describe your country in one word, what would it be and why?



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Is it a match? 



Spain

Home to great food, culture, music, and social people.

We love to be out and about and enjoy friends company.



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What we love

- I am a people person.
- I know how to enjoy life!
- I have a lot of personality.
- I'll introduce you to the world.
- I'm a cheap date!



RED FLAGS

What to consider

- I'm not a morning person.
- I can be a little...complicated.
- You may have to learn my language.
- I move at my own pace.
- I can be HOT!

I am the “one” for you if:

You are looking for beautiful weather, amazing natural landscapes, wonderful people and lots of social life!



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Is it a match? 



Italy

Italy, home to timeless beauty, unforgettable food, rich culture, and a little bit of beautiful chaos. IT





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What we love



- My city center is basically a museum.
- Food isn't a hobby. It's a religion.
- Every day is a story waiting to happen.
- You'll learn Italian without even trying.
- Students/Friends from every corner of the globe.



RED FLAGS

What to consider

- "Italian time" is a real thing. Patience required.
- Tourist crowds are part of the package.
- Public transportation may keep you humble.
- Traditional campus? Not my style.
- Work-life balance is sacred. Emails can wait.

I am the “one” for you if:

You believe the best classroom has cobblestone streets, the best study break involves gelato, and the best memories happen when plans change unexpectedly.



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What we love

- My



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What to consider

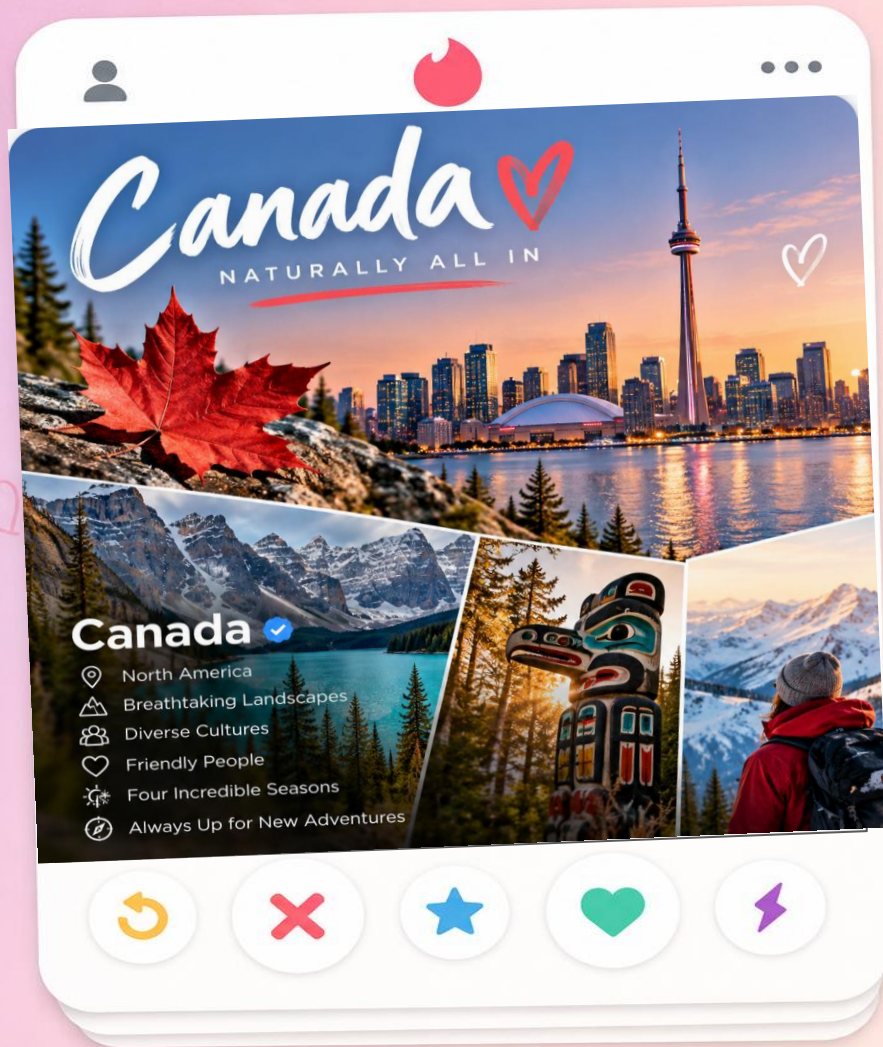
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I am the “one” for
you if:

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Is it a match? 



Canada

Smart, diverse, and internationally minded.

Home to world-class universities and opportunities that go far beyond the classroom.

I'm known for welcoming people from around the world and making them feel at home.

I offer big cities, incredible nature, and experiences you'll remember long after graduation.

Looking for ambitious students ready for a relationship with their future.



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What we love



Brains + beauty : 4 universities in the world's Top 100.



International is my type : students from 200+ countries and territories.



Bilingual energy : officially English & French.



More than good looks : big on research, innovation & hands-on learning.



Not looking for a short-term fling — eligible grads may qualify for a Post-Graduation Work Permit (PGWP).



RED FLAGS

What to consider



Winter is not a season. It's a personality trait



You may accidentally develop very strong opinions about hockey



"Let's grab a quick coffee" somehow always ends at Tim Hortons



You came for the degree... and might leave emotionally attached to Canada



I am the “one” for you if:

You're into brains — I've got plenty.

You have an international type — so do I.

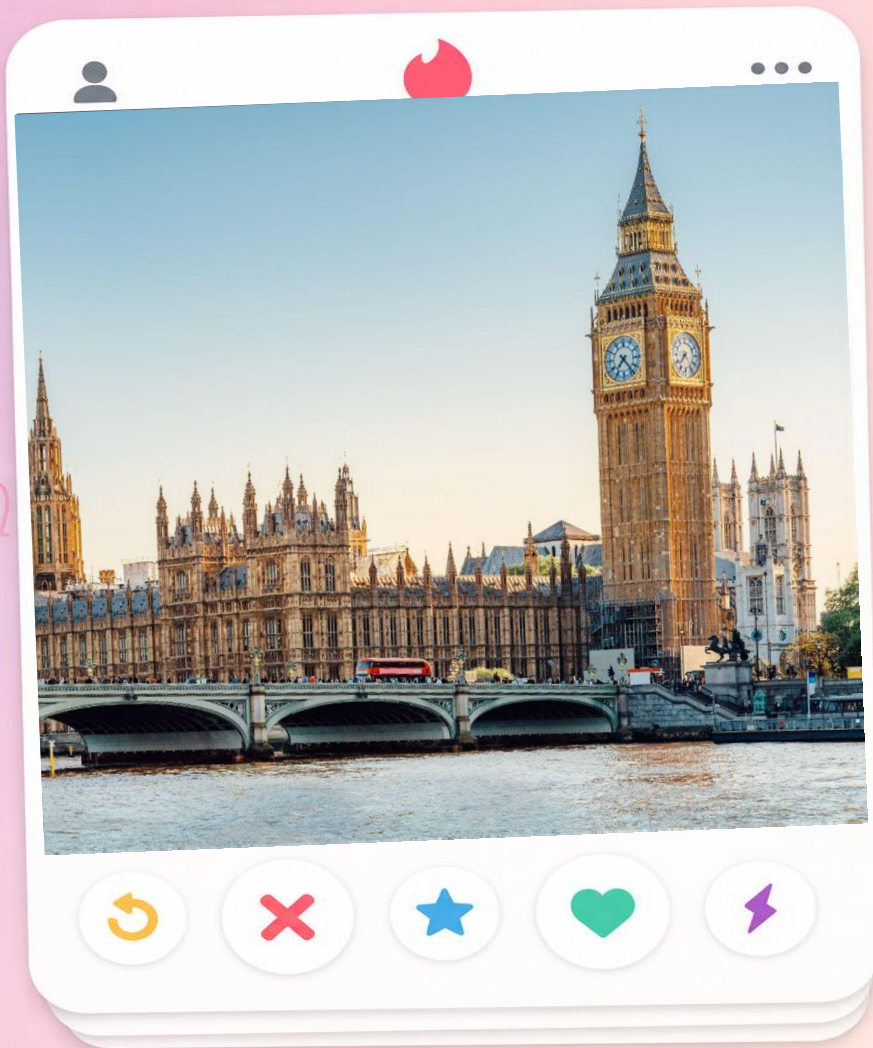
You can handle a little cold — I promise I'm worth it.

You want chemistry — I'm pretty good at research too.

You're looking for something long-term — graduation doesn't have to be goodbye.



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Is it a match? 



The United Kingdom

Home to hundreds of universities across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland, with a big academic reputation. We offer globally recognized degrees and a strong student experience.



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Dara, UWE Bristol



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What we love

- My education is quality and speedy (3-year bachelors, 1-year masters)
- Friends from everywhere (super diverse student community)
- Loves spontaneous trips (Public transport links and Europe on your doorstep)
- I'll check in on you (Student support services)
- I know how to have fun (Student Experience and Students Union)



RED FLAGS

What to consider

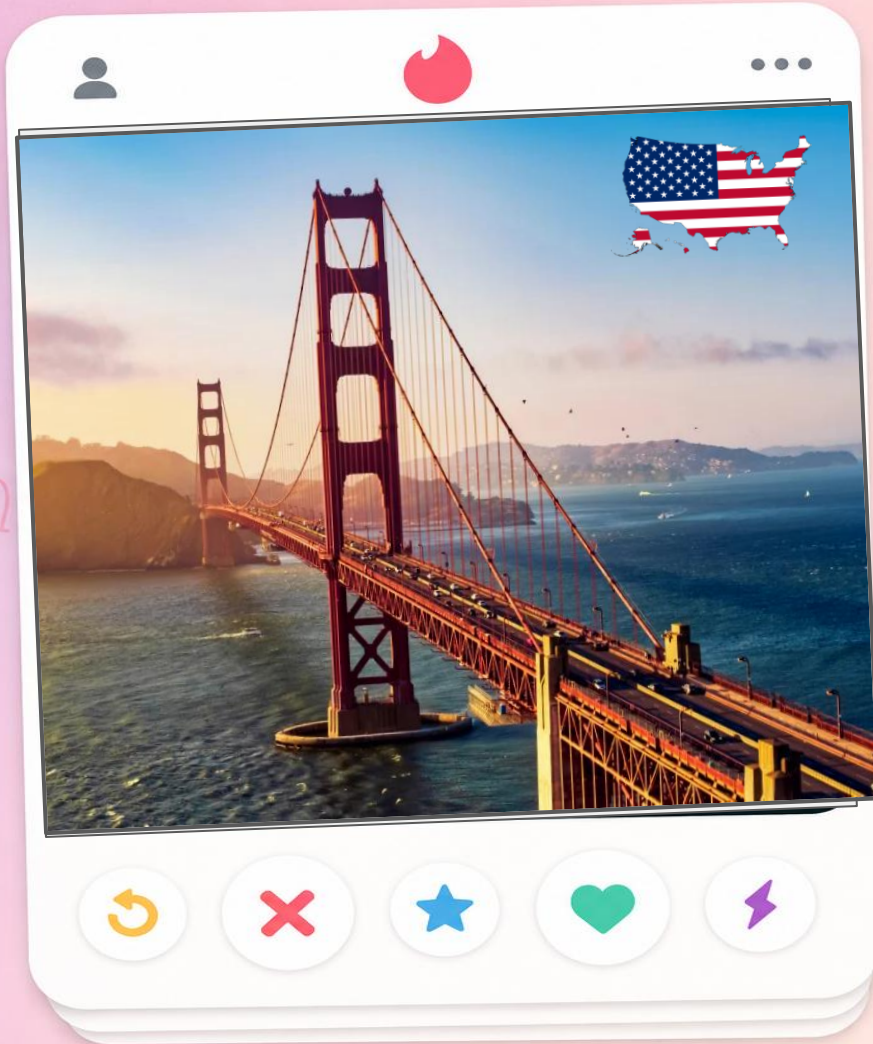
- Weather can be unpredictable- expect rain!
- I might be hard to understand (people can be indirect, and there are many accents!)
- You need to be self motivated
- Not known for cuisine!

I am the “one” for you if:

You are looking for academic quality, personal growth and global opportunities (and you don't mind the rain)!



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Is it a match? 



The United States

Home to 5,760 institutions from Ivy Leagues to 2-year community colleges, the U.S. landscape is vast. Holistic general education meets selected majors, mixed with student support, & a robust, on-campus life to create formative experiences & memorable life chapters for students.

Erin, IU Bloomington



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What we love

- “Keeping Options Open”-Geographies, institution types & sizes
- Academic Diversity: Ability to change major, double-major, minors
- Workplace Experience (CPT & OPT)
- Research Opportunities (Public/private, lab access, major grants)
- School Spirit & Fun



RED FLAGS

What to consider

- Option Overwhelm
- Cost: Tuition Rates, Scholarships Possible, & CoL
- Transportation Limitations (& vast distances)
- Political Climate Uncertainty
 - D/S, CPT, Federal Gov’t Funding

I am the “one” for you if:

you want academic flexibility, the chance to get work experience abroad, & if you are tolerant of some ambiguity.



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