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Dear Colleagues,

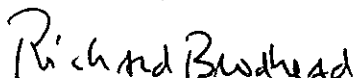
Duke University is excited to join with other colleges and universities in cosponsoring the Sixth Annual Forum on Education Abroad Conference. We strongly believe in this year's theme of *Vision and Value in Education Abroad* and are delighted to welcome you to our home state of North Carolina.

At Duke we place a high priority on study abroad, because we know that it can be a transformative educational experience. While we can provide our students the skills they need to thrive in an environment outside of our gothic walls, nothing can match directly experiencing that world for themselves. We are proud that for the past decade, between 45 and 50 percent of our graduating seniors have studied abroad. This high level of participation reflects the internationalization of our course offerings and our undergraduate curricular requirements, which include a foreign language.

More recently, we have added service-learning abroad as another educational experience through the creation of DukeEngage. Created in 2007, DukeEngage provides full funding and administrative support to Duke undergraduates who wish to pursue an intensive civic engagement experience anywhere in the world. Since it began, DukeEngage has sent 360 Duke students to over 100 service sites around the globe.

Once again, we are delighted to join in welcoming you to the state of North Carolina, and we wish you a productive and thought-provoking conference.

Best wishes,



Richard H. Brodhead