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Road Scholar Program

Our experiential learning opportunities change lives

Not-for-profit Road Scholar is the world's largest and most innovative creator of experiential learning opportunities. We have guided generations of lifelong learners on transformative learning adventures from San Francisco to Siberia, and nearly everywhere in between.

We are a diverse community of knowledge seekers and explorers, united in the belief that lifelong learning is a vital part of overall wellbeing. We believe in living life to the fullest at every age — by experiencing the world, and not just looking at it. By meeting new people, touching history where it happened and delving deep into the cultures and landscapes we explore.

Alongside renowned experts, our participants experience in-depth and behind-the-scenes learning opportunities by land and by sea on travel adventures designed for boomers and beyond.

The breadth and depth of our offerings is unsurpassed. Road Scholar is proud to offer thousands of learning adventures in more than 100 countries and throughout the United States. At any given time, nearly 2,000 Road Scholars are experiencing the world on our learning adventures. We welcome you to join them.

Our Not-for-Profit Status

Road Scholar is not a traditional travel company. We're a not-for-profit organization — and we have been ever since our founding in 1975. That not-for-profit status means we can put learning first in our decision-making. It allows us to keep costs low and to offer valuable programs that aren't driven by revenue. It makes it possible to provide scholarships that help offset costs so that financial constraints don't pose a barrier to participation. And it means we can dedicate resources to the research and advancement of lifelong learning.

[Read More About Our Story](#)

Financial Aid

The Road Scholar Financial Assistance Program helps to increase the social, educational and economic diversity of Road Scholar groups, enriching the program experience for all, not just for those who receive scholarships or financial aid. We offer four unique options for financial assistance!

[Types of Financial Aid Available](#)

Our Commitment to Diversity

Road Scholar values diversity as a dynamic and integral part of a thriving educational community. We strive to develop dynamic program content and offerings that represent the rich diversity of our society and to foster a welcoming, inclusive and equitable work and learning environment for people of all backgrounds and identities.

Our Trips

We've studied what makes an unforgettable learning experience and offer a variety of trips with different levels of structure to appeal to everyone.

Amazing Variety of Experiences to Choose From

Active or easy-paced? Close to home or across the globe? With thousands of learning adventures to choose from in nearly 100 countries and 50 states, you're sure to find something to inspire you.

[Start your search](#) →

Yes, it's included

On average, you save 20% per night compared with comparable trips offered by commercial tour companies. That's because every Road Scholar learning adventure includes most meals and all lodging, tips and taxes, behind-the-scenes experiences, expert lectures, group expeditions, and listening devices—24/7 emergency assistance, too.

Behind-the-Scenes Access

Over the years, we've developed relationships with the world's leading experts and institutions, which means we offer experiences you wouldn't be able to arrange on your own or with a commercial tour.

Have a question?

If you're new to Road Scholar, you likely have some questions. Don't worry, we're here with the answers. Just [visit our Practical Information site](#) to learn about a range of topics, from traveling solo to accommodating special diets, and much more.

Learn more about our trips [Why Go with Us](#)