

U.S. Leaders Who Have Studied Abroad

Many people who went on to assume leadership roles in the arts and letters, science, medicine, education, business, communications, and government studied abroad. Here are some of them:

Carl Albert, Speaker,
U.S. House of Representatives

Maya Angelou, Poet

Curtis Barnette,
Chairman, Bethlehem Steel

James Billington, Librarian of Congress

Derek Bok, President, Harvard University

John Brademas,
President, New York University

Hal Bruno, Political Director, ABC News

Max Burns, U.S. Representative

Ben "Nighthorse" Campbell, U.S. Senator

Wesley Clark, General, USA (Ret'd)

Bill Clinton, 42nd President

Thad Cochran, U.S. Senator

Rosa DeLauro, U.S. Representative

Rita Dove, U.S. Poet Laureate

W.E.B. Dubois, Author/Educator

Paul Farmer, Medical Anthropologist

Renee Fleming, Soprano

Milton Friedman,
Nobel Prize Winning Economist

Theodore Seuss Geisel, Author

Margaret Greenfield, Washington Post

Joseph Heller, Author

John Hersey, Author

John Irving, Author

Stacey Keach, Actor

Anthony Kennedy,
U.S. Supreme Court Justice

John Lithgow, Actor

Richard Lugar, U.S. Senator

Daniel P. Moynihan,
Diplomat & U.S. Senator

Leo J. O'Donovan, S.J.,
President, Georgetown University

Alfred Partoll, Senior Vice President, AT&T

Phillip Pearlstein, Painter

Thomas Pickering,
Diplomat and Business Leader

Sylvia Plath, Author

Theodore Roosevelt, 26th President

Dean Rusk, Secretary of State

John Tower, U.S. Senator

David Souter, U.S. Supreme Court Justice

Admiral Stansfield Turner, Director, CIA

Katherine Harris, U.S. Representative

James Oberstar,
U.S. House of Representatives

J. Robert Oppenheimer, Physicist

Condoleezza Rice, Secretary of State

Walt Rostow, Presidential Adviser

Paul Sarbanes, U.S. Senator

David Vitter, U.S. Senator

James Watson,
Nobel Prize Winning Biochemist

Gene Wilder, Actor

George Will, Syndicated Columnist

Heather Wilson, U.S. Representative