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## 5 Apps You Need to Download for Study Abroad

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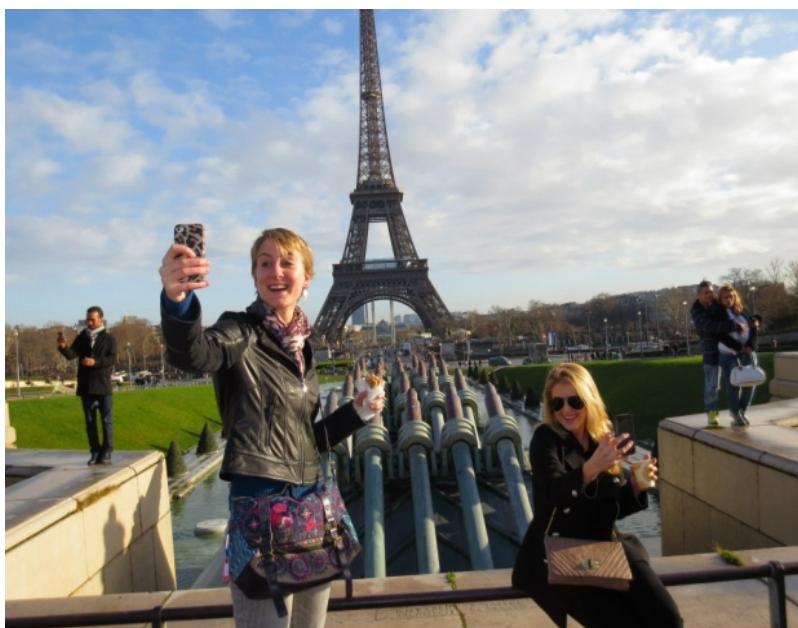
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Years ago, people navigated foreign countries with maps and translation books. Now there's an app for that!

Of course, when you [study abroad](#), you'll want everyone back home to see artsy Instagrams of the Eiffel Tower at night. And your best friend will need a million [Snapchats](#) with your funny commentary—but what about when you're trying to find your way around a different country or searching for a good restaurant?

In addition to Snapchat and Instagram, consider downloading these apps to make your [study abroad](#) travels more efficient, safer and informative. To make things even more helpful, they're all free!



### 1. TapToTrack

Available for: iPhone

[TapToTrack](#) is a mobile app for watching expenses. It tracks and categorizes spending on the go. When you realize your food budget is gone after a wine tasting in Italy, you'll know why! With all the adventures and shopping that study abroad offers, it is important to be money-conscious.

"I set an initial budget for myself, and when I spend money, I enter it into my phone," says Allison Perch, junior at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill studying abroad in Italy. "You can

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see how much money you've spent on food, travel and other categories. It has helped me keep track of my spending and make sure I don't exceed my budget."

## 2. Viber

Available for: iPhone, Android, Windows Phone, Blackberry, Bada, Nokia and desktop computers



International calling is expensive, but **Viber** uses Wi-Fi or 3G to make international phone calls for free. This app is a great way to stay connected to your stateside friends who have also have the app.

"When I studied abroad in Italy, a ton of people on my trip used Viber," says Becky McColl, a senior at the University of Delaware. "It was really useful because making calls using the hotel phones can be really expensive, and I know a lot of my friends appreciated being able to talk to their parents without spending a ton of money!"

## 3. Triposo

Available for: iPhone and Android

Before starting your trek through a romantic city, pause and download **Triposo** to learn about the history and culture of the city, along with useful information like the exchange rate. Triposo gives you the history of a place as well as new information about restaurants and other great sites to visit.

"When I was in a long line waiting to get into a place of interest, I would read the little blurbs about the place I was going to keep myself occupied and learn a little about the area I was in," says Irene Berman-Vaporis, a senior at Boston University. "So the app was really helpful because you could essentially do basic research about the place you were in or going to without Wi-Fi."

## 4. iTranslate

Available for: iPhone

What's that you said? Now you don't have to pester Siri about every foreign sentence you hear! With **iTranslate**, you can instead type a word in English and have it translated into 60 languages. The app also includes a dictionary.

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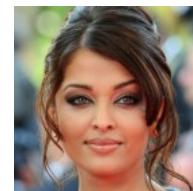
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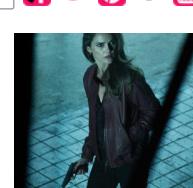


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