

2019 Education Abroad Student Deaths

Death Date/ Day of week	Name (age) Home State	Home school/ Education abroad program/ Student status/ Country of study	Location of death/ Cause of death/ Details/ News links	About this student
3/22/19	Mischa Nee (20) California	Stanford University/ Stanford University, Bing Overseas Program/ Undergrad, study abroad, post-program travel/ Madrid, Spain	Mallorca, Spain/ Fall/ This was Mischa’s second semester with Stanford’s Bing Overseas Study Abroad Program. He spent the first semester in Madrid, Spain, and the second in Florence, Italy. At the time of his death, Mischa was engaged in post-program travel. He died from a hiking fall.  <a href="https://www.majorcadailybulletin.com/news/local/2019/03/23/54951/body-american-found-cala-deya.html">https://www.majorcadailybulletin.com/news/local/2019/03/23/54951/body-american-found-cala-deya.html</a>  <a href="https://www.mercurynews.com/2019/03/23/stanford-student-from-palo-alto-dies-while-hiking-in-spain/">https://www.mercurynews.com/2019/03/23/stanford-student-from-palo-alto-dies-while-hiking-in-spain/</a>  <a href="https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-7175193/Arkansas-man-kidnapped-Mexico-best-friend-shot-dead-says-blacked-out.html">https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-7175193/Arkansas-man-kidnapped-Mexico-best-friend-shot-dead-says-blacked-out.html</a>  <a href="https://www.altamesafuneralhome.com/obituary/mischa-nee">https://www.altamesafuneralhome.com/obituary/mischa-nee</a>	As a child, Mischa had embraced the circus arts. He excelled at juggling, unicycles, aerials, and slackline. He was a graduate of Palo Alto High School, where he served as editor-in-chief of <i>The Campanile</i> student newspaper. At Stanford, he was a computer science major. He was considering majoring in either art history or studio art. With his computer science background, he mentored young students through the “Breakout Mentors.” At Stanford, Mischa had served as a graphic designer and event coordinator for the SU Dance Marathon. Mischa participated in the Bing Overseas Studies Program (BOSP) twice during his time at Stanford. He studied in Florence, Italy last quarter, and had spent this quarter in Spain.
4/21/19 Sunday	Kieran Shafritz de Zoysa	Sidwell Friends School/ Middle school/	Sri Lanka/ Homicide, terrorism/	Kieran was a Sidwell Friends School 5 <sup>th</sup> grader attending a semester-long study abroad in Sri Lanka.

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	Washington, D.C.	Sri Lanka	<p>Kieran was amongst hundreds killed in a terrorist bombing of a hotel.</p> <p><a href="https://www.cnn.com/2019/04/23/us/sri-lanka-sidwell-friends-fifth-grader-killed/index.html">https://www.cnn.com/2019/04/23/us/sri-lanka-sidwell-friends-fifth-grader-killed/index.html</a></p>	
7/19/19	Seth Washam (18) Tennessee	Carson-Newman University (Tennessee)/ A Hand Up for Women/ Undergrad (incoming)/ Guatemala	<p>Guatemala/ Unintentional injury (electrocution)/ As an incoming college freshman, Seth was attending a summer academic study program. He and his sister, Emma, also a student at Carson-Newman, were swimming in a hotel pool. Seth was killed by an electrical short. His sister was injured.</p> <p><a href="https://abcnews.go.com/International/electrical-shortage-hotel-swimming-pool-kills-american-student/story?id=64469552">https://abcnews.go.com/International/electrical-shortage-hotel-swimming-pool-kills-american-student/story?id=64469552</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.ntd.com/american-killed-in-guatemala-by-electrical-shortage-at-hotel-sister-injured_360024.html">https://www.ntd.com/american-killed-in-guatemala-by-electrical-shortage-at-hotel-sister-injured_360024.html</a></p>	
9/14/19	Nathan Molinski (22) California	University of Iowa/ CIEE/ Undergrad, study abroad, interim travel/ Lisbon, Portugal	<p>Portugal/ Not available/ Nathan was enrolled in a semester-long language course. News reports indicate that Nathan died “suddenly.” No other details shared with media.</p>	Nathan was a senior student and a computer science major. He had previously been a student intern for Vail Systems in Chicago.

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11/12/19	Conor Tomlin (20) South Africa or Minnesota	Macalester/ Unclear if Conor was a US student who died in South Africa or a SA student who died in the US	South Africa/ Unintentional overdose/	
11/25/19	Carla Faust (19) New Jersey	The College of New Jersey (TCNJ)/ TCNJ/ Undergrad, study abroad/ Germany	Germany/ Vehicular/ Carla was a studying in Edingen-Neckarhausen, Baden Wurttemberg, Germany. She died suddenly, after being struck by a streetcar.  <a href="http://www.tcnjsignal.net/2019/11/27/sophomore-dies-while-studying-abroad-in-germany/">http://www.tcnjsignal.net/2019/11/27/sophomore-dies-while-studying-abroad-in-germany/</a>  <a href="https://www.wrightfamily.com/obituary/carla-lucille-faust/?fbclid=IwAR2gTd5ACpddhTNTSI09I">https://www.wrightfamily.com/obituary/carla-lucille-faust/?fbclid=IwAR2gTd5ACpddhTNTSI09I</a>	Carla was a sophomore student and business major. She was active in track and field and fluent in German. Carla was interested in relocating to Germany after graduation.

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Non-lethal student safety incidents during 2019: