Philadelphia’s evolving millennial population and cultural diversity, extraordinary arts & music community, and traditional historical roots and traditions makes this East Coast city a must-experience travel destination.

Philly is also making a name for itself in the world of sustainable development and social impact. Did you know that Philadelphia has a comprehensive city-wide sustainability plan focused on climate mitigation? Or that the Department of Energy pegged the Navy Yard for a new renewable study? Or that Philadelphia is home to more than 30 award-winning colleges & universities including Philadelphia University, our Philadelphia program partner?

We invite you to join the GREEN Team in Philadelphia, a hotspot where local government policies in the USA are making impactful changes towards a greener future.

The GREEN Philadelphia Program: Sustainable Design & Urban Regeneration
July 19 - 27, 2016
Sustainable Design + Urban Retrofitting: Industry Access & Networking

In the race to become the nation’s “greenest city” in America, Philadelphia has more than 160 sustainability focused initiatives in place to help us claim this title. The US Department of Energy even selected the Navy Yard as the location for a new renewable energy study!

During our Philadelphia program, students gain rare access to urban retrofitting and sustainable development projects throughout the city, receive exclusive industry access to Philadelphia’s local and governmental institutions and professional facilities, have access to directors and project managers within the industry and local government, and more.
Systems Thinking: Academic Credit & Hands-on Learning

Our mission is to bridge the gap between textbook learning and real-time industry experience by taking students behind the scenes of the city and nation's leading sustainability initiatives.

Through a series of discussion-based courses & Capstone Project, Philadelphia students will develop leadership and professional skills, gain a comprehensive understanding of systems-thinking learning, gain a global hands-on perspective of Philadelphia's sustainability policies and initiatives, work alongside a network of like-minded students and industry professionals passionate about sustainable design & urban regeneration, create sustainable design solutions with real-time impact in Philadelphia communities, and more.

This program offers 1.5 credits from Philadelphia University's interdisciplinary award-winning Sustainable Design MSc program.
Philadelphia Is #1: Best 2016 US Travel Destination

Ranked and scoured by Lonely Planet’s travel experts, Philadelphia has been ranked as the United States’ #1 go-to travel destination in 2016! The city was “Visited by Pope Francis, hosting the Democratic National Convention in July, and freshly crowned as the US’s first and only World Heritage City (joining the ranks of Cairo, Paris and Jerusalem), Philly’s on a roll.”

Step outside your comfort zone this summer as we empower our students to grasp creative leadership, teamwork, and personal growth as we jump into Philly adventure and culture like you’ve never experienced before! Hiking, beach excursions, hidden gem city tours, as well as family-style meals, explorations of Philadelphia, local Philadelphian cuisine and delicacies, networking events with local industry professionals and local shops are just a few of the activities you can expect with The GREEN Program.

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