Get off the beaten path and experience Cambodia and Nepal like never before. With Projects Abroad you will help kickstart local entrepreneur businesses on our Microfinance project in Phnom Penh, support youth development initiatives in Nepal, assist in local conservation and ecological efforts in the foothills of the Himalayas and many other grassroots projects. Our Gap Semester in Asia is perfect for students looking for something different and meaningful to do on their gap years. You will live and work in local communities, working alongside locals and our staff while learning and experiencing the culture firsthand.

You'll spend your first five weeks in Cambodia, getting accustomed to South East Asia. Splitting your time between Phnom Penh and Siem Reap, you will see both the economic and cultural capitals of the country. In Nepal, you will live in Chitwan, an up-and-coming city in southern Nepal, bordering an incredible National Park. You will then go to Ghandruk in the foothills of the Himalayas to participate in vital conservation and ecosystem management. All of the project work is hands on and designed around the values of experiential education and service learning.

In addition to the project work, you will get to take unique excursions throughout these countries. Visit Angkor Wat, one of the Ancient Wonders of the World. Trek in the Himalayas with Annapurna as a backdrop—as well as many other exciting opportunities.
## Going Beyond: Itinerary

### Arrive in Phnom Penh, Cambodia
- Microfinance
- Youth Development

### Travel to Siem Reap
- Community Development initiative

### Travel back to Phnom Penh
- Public Health Outreach work
- Youth Development

### Arrive in Chitwan Nepal
- Teaching
- Building
- Chitwan National Park

### Travel to Annapurna
- Conservation in Ghandruk
- Trekking

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Your first stop will be in Phnom Penh, the Capital of Cambodia. Get settled in with a project and cultural orientation from the Projects Abroad staff. You will spend the next two weeks working on our Microfinance or Youth Development project.

Traveling to Siem Reap, the cultural capital of Cambodia and home to the Angkor Wat Temple complex. Spend time exploring the night markets and winding streets of Siem Reap, visit Angkor Wat, and join a local community development project outside the city.

After spending the week in Siem Reap, head back to Phnom Penh for your final two weeks in Cambodia. Participate in our Public Health Outreach work.

Start your first 2 weeks working at a local school. You will help with English and literacy classes, facilitate activities, and work on various renovation projects around the school. Over the weekend you will take a trip to the nearby Chitwan National Park.

Your next and final stop will be to the foothills of the Himalayas in Ghandruk. There you will work on a local Conservation project focusing on wildlife management, specifically snow leopards. Over the weekends you can take trekking trips around Annapurna.