

Minerva Schools at KGI is a 4-year innovative undergraduate program that combines four years of world travel with the rigorous, interdisciplinary study. Students learn to be open-minded global citizens by studying in 7 different cities worldwide; San Francisco, Hyderabad, Berlin, Taipei, Buenos Aires, London, and Seoul. Additionally, the student body consists of over 78% of international students from over 55+ countries, providing the students with the opportunity to experience more cultures. This means that students have the incredible opportunity of studying throughout the world, immersing in various cultures whilst studying under the guidance of Ivy League professors.

The Minerva students you will meet today are in their 4th and final year at Minerva. They have lived in San Francisco, Seoul, Hyderabad, Berlin, Buenos Aires, and London, and are now finishing their final semester here in Taipei.

Minerva Students

Amal Mulaomerovic

Amal is from San Jose, California. She is a Business major, with concentrations in Finance and Enterprise Management and minor in Economics. She has spent the past three years working in venture capital in San Francisco, and with different startup accelerators across South Korea, Germany, and Dubai, UAE.

How has your experience been, moving to different global cities with Minerva?

Minerva's global rotation has been an extremely exhilarating and transformational experience for me. In addition to learning about different cultures and making friends from all around the world, it has significantly boosted my career prospects with the variety of professional experiences I was able to gain in each city through internships and civic projects. I worked in venture capital while in Seoul, immersed deeply into the startup ecosystem in Berlin through my work with a local



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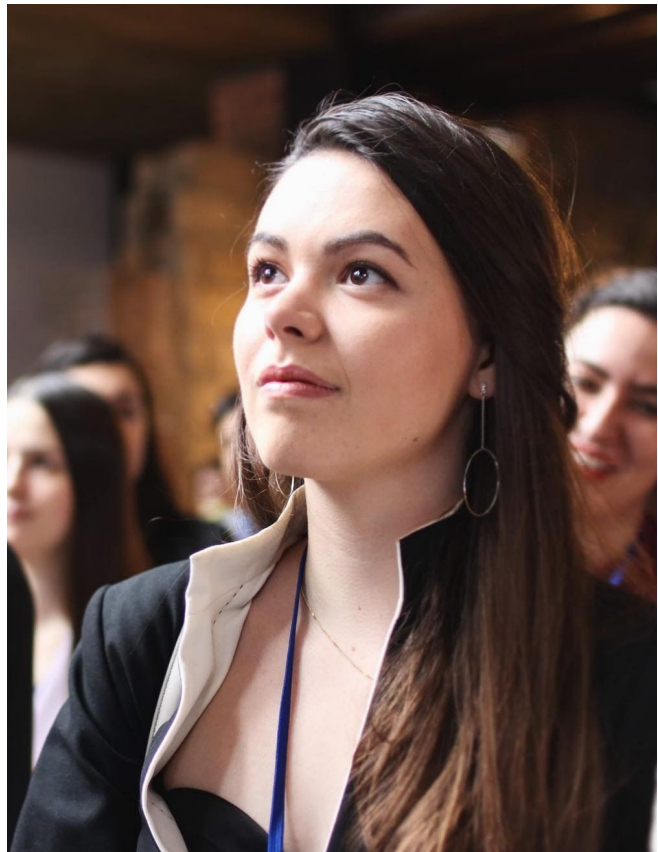
fintech venture studio, and volunteered with startup incubator T-hub in Hyderabad. These experiences opened my eyes to various professional cultures and different styles of working than the one I am used to in Silicon Valley (my home region). India and Argentina were two countries especially exciting for me as they provided me with the greatest culture shocks.

Antonia Boorman

Antonia Boorman is from Northern Ireland. She is a Social Science major double concentrating in “Cognition, Brain and Behavior” and “Politics, Government and society”. She aspires to be a human rights lawyer after graduation.

How has your experience been, moving to different global cities with Minerva?

“Each city has taught me so much and has been so different from the other. In San Francisco, I was really interested in the political culture of protests and riots and all these movements that have started in San Francisco. In Seoul, I loved going to “Jimjilbangs” (Korean-style spas), both to relax after a stressful school week and to understand how important self-care is in Korean culture. In Hyderabad, I’d spend all my time exploring the old city’s incredible architecture and culture, or relax at the Botanical Gardens with a good book. In Belin, I biked everywhere and in Buenos Aires, I danced at every chance I could. London was so cosmopolitan and busy, I loved the easy commute home! Having Minerva’s support in connecting with these cities has allowed me to really live in them rather than just seeing them as a tourist who won’t really get to see the social issues or simply experience day to day life”.



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Francesca Sta Maria

Francesca, a Malaysian native, is a Social Science Major double concentrating in “Economics and Society” and “Politics, Government, and Society” and minoring in “Ethics, Law, and Philosophy.” She aspires to work in global politics, focusing primarily on breaking down the barriers between global citizens and decision-makers.

How has your experience been, moving to different global cities with Minerva?

“Minerva has been everything I needed and didn’t know I wanted. I have learned so much from every city we have travelled to, every Civic Partner I have met along the way, and, most importantly, from the people I have been travelling with. Being able to apply what I have been learning in so many different contexts has allowed me to build a unique network and perspective that has ultimately deepened my understanding of the global issues I hope to one day be part of solving. I have been lucky enough to, through Minerva’s support, work on solutions for the homeless in San Francisco, develop a whole new teachers’ training platform for the Argentinian government, and now work on my final thesis tackling the creation of a global government with help from leading experts. From learning the tango in Buenos Aires to discovering buried desert palaces in Hyderabad to finding a Malaysian dish I’d been craving for in London, my journey has taken me around the globe and returned me someone completely different and so much wiser from who I was when I started out.”



Abigail Cox

Abigail is from Phoenix, Arizona, USA. Abigail is a Social Sciences major and is double concentrating in Government, Politics, and Society, and Designing Societies, and minoring in Philosophy, Ethics, and the Law. She is focusing her research on improving the American healthcare system, aspiring to work in policy and law to improve healthcare access in the country.

How has your experience been, moving to different global cities with Minerva?

Moving to different cities around the globe has been deeply exhilarating and allowed me to not only see the sights, but actually experience cultures, social movements, and political events in real-time. While in Seoul, I camped and hiked throughout the most beautiful mountain ranges. In Hyderabad, I was able to volunteer my time with SPERDS, a local organization supporting and housing young victims of sexual and domestic violence while researching the capacity of the government to handle such issues. Berlin showed me the alternative punk culture I had never seen first hand, while in Buenos Aires I helped build a house in a slum outside of the city with my Civic Partner TECHO. London offered modernity I had not seen since Seoul, and in a way combined all I had learned



while travelling. Without the opportunity to not only earn a Bachelor's Degree but to live around the globe, I would not have developed into the person I am today. Living around the world has made all the difference in my personal growth.