What countries can our volunteers talk about?
Subject to change due to students’ availability.

- Argentina
- Brazil
- Cameroon
- China (Hong Kong)
- Columbia
- Costa Rica
- Denmark
- Ecuador
- Egypt
- France
- Germany
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Japan
- Korea
- Malaysia
- Mexico
- New Zealand
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Peru
- Poland
- Saudi Arabia
- Romania
- Russia
- Saudi Arabia
- Singapore
- Spain
- South Korea
- Sweden
- UK
- USA
- Vietnam

More information
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Book a bridges volunteer today!
For information or to book a speaker please contact University of Alberta International and ask for the Bridges Program Coordinator.

Our volunteers greatly appreciate transportation to your institution whenever possible.
Building Bridges To The World

- unique educational resource for schools, university classes and community groups
- volunteer student-speakers sharing first-hand perspectives on life in other countries and global issues
- free community service linking University of Alberta students to the community
- presentations tailored to the needs and interests of the particular audience
- more than 50 countries represented each year

Bridges volunteer speakers are international students from around the world and Canadians with international experience. They are enthusiastic about sharing their knowledge and personal stories with Albertans.

By reflecting on their experiences, speakers help illustrate the connections between local and international issues, dispel myths about various countries, and encourage Canadians to recognize the value of an overseas experience. They offer fresh insights into peoples, places and issues that often seem remote.

The nature of the presentations is as diverse as the speakers themselves. Presentations can focus on regions, countries or issues. Formats are flexible, ranging from casual discussions to formal presentations.

Teach global issues

- environment
- globalization
- HIV/AIDS in developing countries
- human rights
- international development
- poverty
- world politics
- women’s issues

Connect curriculum to the world

Second Language Classes
- bridge the gap between language and life

Kindergarten to Grade 6
- global citizenship and connections to the world
- people and communities in Canada and the world
- games, music, photos and people from other cultures

Grade 3
- connecting with the world – India, Peru, Ukraine and Tunisia

Grade 5
- links with France, UK and USA

Grade 6
- studies of Greece, an ancient civilization, and China

Grade 7–9
- intercultural contacts and immigrants
- Canada as a multicultural, pluralistic and diverse society and its cultural ingredients
- economic systems in Canada, USA and other parts of the world
- environmental and outdoor education

Grade 8
- interactions and connections between Canada and USA
- case study of Brazil

Grade 9
- economic comparison of Canada and USA
- case study of the former USSR

Grade 10–12
- effects of culture on reactions and choices
- growth of the global perspective
- collective versus individual rights
- international stability versus national interests
- world health issues
- career options after high school
- aboriginal studies
- food studies