



Undergraduate scholarship: Local is global, and global is local

- What type of global perspective is each including?
- Which one would you choose?
- Which would be easiest to grade?
- What assumptions are each making about what students already know?
- What scaffolding assignments could be used to build skills for students?



Assignment Option 1

Write an 8-10 page research paper on a global hunger. Follow APA conventions for documentation.

Assignment Option 2.

Have each student choose a country from a list, and write a ten-page paper on the prevalence and causes of hunger in that country. Students will present their findings in five-minute presentation to class.

Assignment Option 3

You are working with a community organization that provides nutrition education to local families receiving food benefits. Your goal is to help families make healthy food choices and get the most value out of their benefits. Some of the families receiving new benefits only speak Spanish and aren't familiar with the local grocery stores. Research the professional literature on nutrition education, looking especially for evidence-based studies. Write a 4-5 page plan outlining your nutrition education program, supporting your position with evidence based on the literature.

Assignment Option 4

While students are traveling abroad: You and several colleagues are writing a research proposal to study hunger in your county. Research the current professional literature on hunger and then write the "review of the literature" section of your grant proposal.

Assignment Option 5

At home institution or while studying abroad: Conduct interviews with three local officials (from a list of local contacts). Compare your interview data with local census and school data to determine the extent of hunger in your community in a ten-page paper.

Assignment Option 6

Do a literature search to find an article that study the causes of hunger in a particular community in the United States, and a community outside the United States. Write a two-page paper that compares the purpose, methods and results of each study.

Assignment Option 7

Write a 700-750 word op-ed on an important issue related to world hunger (this can be a local, national, or international perspective). Include references to data and studies.

Assignment Option 8

The semester before studying abroad, write a URSP proposal to study an aspect of hunger in your host country. The proposal should be well-researched and properly scoped. If funded, you should expect to complete your project and present it at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research and/or publish it appropriately.