Studying Abroad in Jordan

I recently had the opportunity to study abroad in Jordan. I was initially hesitant to study in the Middle East because of all the turmoil that is infamous throughout the area. Once I arrived I have not regretted my decision to go once. Jordan offered so many new experiences that I would have never been able to experience otherwise. I was able to see the Pope, Jesus's baptism site and much more, but the most memorable part of the trip was learning about the culture and immersing myself in it. Almost every night while in Jordan our group would sit and drink tea and talk about everything, from the weather to politics like Jordanians do every night. I have even started drinking tea with my friends here because I enjoyed it so much over there. Jordan has taught me so much and to truly appreciate other cultures. I think it is vital that every student tries to take part in a study abroad trip. Studying abroad expanded my horizons. Studying abroad has also allowed me to make some great friends. I did not know a single other student who was going and now I consider everyone that went a great friend. After the entire trip I realize how fortunate I am to have gone to such an amazing place.

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