

# Travel abroad, at home can be adventurous pre-work diversion

Considering the recent tight job market, new graduates may be looking for temporary work or diversion while waiting for full-time, long-term employment. Or perhaps now is the best time for graduates to take advantage of international adventure opportunities.

Whatever the reasons, graduates looking for a job and/or adventure abroad should invest in *Working Holidays* — an overseas job guide that defies the traditional format for similar catalogs.

## Book Review

Often advertisements for exotic overseas job catalogs make being hired seem inevitable.

"WORK ON A LUXURY LINER IN THE MEDITERRANEAN!" one ad screams.

Many of the ads almost command you to work overseas. Some of the Daily Nebraskan ads for work abroad, similar to the ad above, will have you call a toll-free number. After dialing, the job seeker gets an operator who says: "Would you like to look over our job listing?" "Of course!" the ignorant one replies. "Then send us a check for \$17.95," the operator says.

*Working Holidays* sidesteps the advertising gimmicks, the trickery and sensationalism of most guides to overseas jobs.

*Working Holidays* was compiled by Hilary Sewell of the Central Bureau for Educational Visits and Exchanges, based in London.

The handy paperback details the pitfalls of seeking work abroad and of working abroad.

Most of the job listings in the book deal with temporary jobs students can take during the summer months.

The book is composed of about 26 pages of practical information and about 200 pages of job listings in countries like France, the countries of Africa and Asia, West Germany, China, Great Britain, India and Belgium to name a few. The jobs include farm work, conservation work, digging canals, working at archeological digs, grape picking, hotel work, counseling, chauffeuring and teaching.

Listings for each country are divided into categories — like "farm work," "community service," etc. Under each heading are listed addresses and a blurb of information about the jobs available at the farm, hospital or wherever.

The book is impressive because it is honest. It tells you there is no guarantee that you will get a job abroad.

It recommends a good deal of planning — six months to a year in advance. That is because of the difficulty involved in getting a job by mail and because of the long time it takes to obtain the visas and work permits that are necessary to work overseas.

To get a job overseas, Sewell recommends two things: planning and perseverance. She says you probably will write quite a few letters before you receive a job offer. She says your chances will be improved if you enclose International Reply Coupons, available at post offices, with your applications.

Choosing countries that favor your nationality is wise, Sewell writes. A U.S. citizen would stand a better chance of being employed in West Germany than in Nicaragua.

Another important warning issued by Sewell: Don't plan on paying for your trip with the money you earn abroad. The type of jobs you are likely to be doing pay low wages and they may pay less than a similar job in the United States or Canada would. You probably won't be able to save any money, and you should expect to pay your round-trip expenses out of your own funds, she writes. Foreign work in reality is a good way to extend a stay in a country, but is not a good way to make a profit, or a living.

The CBIE, which compiles the book each year, is a non-profit organization with headquarters in Ottawa, Canada. *Working Holidays* is available only by mail. Write to:

CBIE  
141 Laurier Ave. West  
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Prices are \$8.95 for regular delivery and \$10.35 for first-class mail. Payment must accompany orders. —Chris Welsh

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## 'In succeeding, you have failed'

I guess all you graduates think you're pretty cool. You've zipped right through this college scam, you're getting your degrees. You'll stand there, cap-lidded and gown-clad, diploma in hand, thinking, "This wasn't so bad after all." You might even miss the old U a little bit.



## Christopher Burbach

Well, lemme tell ya something — you're as good as forgotten. You reached your goal too easily. Even if you've been in college for 10 years, you've reached your goal too easily. No one will follow in your footsteps, no one will carry on your work. If there's a lesson to learn from history, it's to not finish a task.

Observe, if you will, the case of the alchemists of the Middle Ages. "Hey, Sir Joe, I've got an idea. Let's make gold out of that chicken soup." An impossible task, one never completed, but one never abandoned.

And what about that crazy Icarus guy and his old pop? "I think we can fly, son. But don't get too close to the sun, son." Well, Icarus did get too close to the sun — and whose name did we remember? Not the guy who succeeded, that's for sure.

Sissyfuss, you know that one guy who pushed a rock up a hill, not quite all the way, it rolled down again and he's still trying to push it over. He'll have none of forced retirement.

Sure, it'd be different if you were the first people ever to graduate. We remember those people. But you're doing something hundreds of thousands have already done. Big deal!

No, the way I see it, it's better to make something seem impossible, to create a sense of peril about your chosen task; aye, there lies the road to immortality. That's what I'm doing. You might call me Sissyfuss Icarus the alchemist.

I'm never going to graduate. I'll die first, maybe naturally, but probably violently, at the hands of a vengeful librarian or an overzealous to the source, then succumb to gravity. I'll try ledge up that hill of academia, then fall beneath it. I'll wax the wings of lore and soar too close to their source, then succumb to gravity. I'll try to turn my incompletes into grades and hours. But I won't succeed. Therein lies glory.

So take your diplomas and walk, fools. In succeeding, you have failed.

## Humor, nostalgia highlight first graduation issue

This is the first Daily Nebraskan Graduation issue. Its purpose is to inform and entertain the graduates and parents of the graduates and to serve as a memorable keepsake through the years.

We've tried to blend humor, nostalgia and some information into these eight pages.

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—Chris Welsh, editor

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