Race and Ethnicity Abroad: Resources

Issues of race vary depending on the student and the host country. Some students may be racial minorities at home but will be studying in a country where their race is the majority. Others may face becoming a racial minority for the first time. It is important that students be aware of their own expectations and cultural assumptions; identifying and reflecting on their own experiences with racial issues before studying abroad can help students adjust to new situations, perceptions and attitudes they may encounter overseas. The more aware and prepared you are about these issues in your host country the less likely you will be to have a negative response in an unfamiliar situation. Use the links below to find more information on race and ethnicity abroad:

General information pertaining to underrepresented groups and study abroad as well as specific advice for African Americans, Asian/Pacific Americans, Hispanic/Latino Americans and Native Americans.
http://allabroad.us/

PLATO (Project for Learning Abroad, Training, and Outreach) resources and scholarship information to support academic advancement of underrepresented populations:
- Resources for Underrepresented Students in General

African-American Students
- 10 Reasons for African-American Students to Study Abroad
- What about Discrimination?
- Resources for African-American Students

Asian/Pacific Islander American Students
- 10 Reasons for Asian Pacific Islander American Students to Study Abroad
- What about Discrimination?
- Resources for Asian Pacific Islander American Students

Hispanic-American Students
- 10 Reasons for Hispanic-American Students to Study Abroad
- What about Discrimination?
- Resources for Hispanic-American Students

Native-American Students
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African American students share their experiences abroad.
http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/aie/students/

New York Times article: “Traveling While Black”
http://mobile.nytimes.com/2014/01/05/travel/traveling-while-black.html