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Abstract:
After spending the first twelve years in school, it is essential for students to have the opportunity to have hands on experiences of what they’ve learned in a different environment. A gap year is time out to travel between life stages. It refers to a period of time in which people disengage from curricular education or work to undertake activities that involve traveling, volunteering, or studying abroad. A gap year is an experience that American students should adopt because it increases student’s performance, motivation, independence, maturity, adds to student’s future employability, and builds student’s social skills.

Key Points:
- Drop out rate
- Workforce
- Knowledge & Experience
- Tuition
- Career choices

Conclusion:
The gap year is a transition that all seniors in the United States should make. Most students aren’t prepared for college, and with everyone’s expectations and demands, the transition from high school to college can be very heinous. It is important for students to feel secure in their future, and for that to happen, they need to have the chance to experience the world. Most students learn much more about the world during a gap year than they do within eight years of both high school and college. Every student should have the opportunity to have an adventure, get to know themselves, and explore the world before they decide how they’re going to spend the rest of their lives.

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