Occasionally a student reaches the end of high school education and is searching for an alternative experience to further his or her education before going to college. There are many possible programs which cater to students looking for such an experience outside a standard classroom, either between high school and college, or at other times of life. Listed below are just a few options and their websites. Some programs are quite expensive, while others are more in the line of volunteer opportunities that cost little to the participant.

Adventures Cross Country  
www.arccgap.com

Africa & Asia Venture,Ltd.  
www.aventure.co.uk

AFDS-USA  
www.afsusa.org

Amigos de las Americas  
www.amigoslink.org

AmeriCorps  
www.americorps.org

Aspire by API  
www.aspirebyapi.com

Carpe Diem International Education  
www.interimprograms.com

CIEE  
www.ciee.org/hsabroad

The Center for Interim Programs, LLC  
www.interimprograms.com
This program has one headquarters in Cambridge, MA and it's possible to go meet with them to discuss the possibilities. In this case, the cost greatly varies, depending on what a student wants to do.

City Year- volunteer opportunity  
www.cityyear.org

Dragons Summer and Semester Abroad Programs  
www.wheretherebedragons.com

Dynamy Internship  
www.dynamy.org

Global Citizen Year  
www.globalcitizenyear.org

International Studies Abroad ISA & Learning Programs International  
www.studiesabroad.com/gapyear
Postgraduate Alternatives to College, Work, or the Military

KIVU Gap Year
www.kivugapyear.com

Kroka Expeditions
www.kroka.org

LEAPNOW: Transforming Education
www.leapnow.org

Lexia Gap Year
www.lexiagapyear.org

Maximo Nivel
www.maximonivel.com

Minds Abroad
www.mindsabroad.com

National Outdoor Leadership School- NOLS
www.nols.edu

Outward Bound
www.outwardbound.org

Oxford Advanced Studies Program
www.oasp.ac.uk

Rustic Pathways
www.rusticpathways.com/gap

Sage Program
www.sageprogram.org

Sea Semester
www.seamester.com

Student Conservation Association
www.sca-inc.org

Thinking Beyond Borders
www.thinkingbeyondborders.org

Travellers Worldwide
www.travellersworldwide.com

This group based in the United Kingdom coordinates volunteer and internship projects abroad for varying lengths of time.

USA Gap Year Fairs
www.usagapyearfairs.org

In addition, here is an article regarding Gap Year Programs which has many more helpful links:
http://www.admissionsquest.com/~Resources/ShowArticle.cfm?ArticleID=74&ArticleTypeID=5&Topic=gap-year-programs