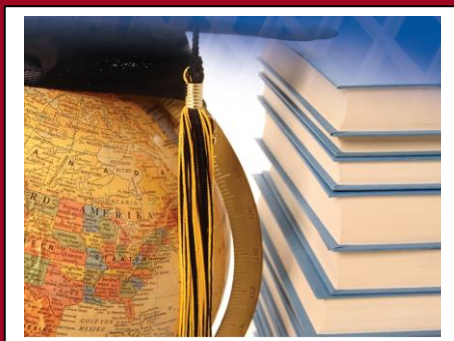


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STUDY ABROAD NEWSLETTER

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Greetings from the Office of International Education!

Hello everyone -

We wish everyone the best on these last few days of the Spring term, after a cold winter (at least here in Pittsburgh!) Many things are currently taking place in our OIE!

First, we hope that everyone abroad has been enjoying their semesters. We look forward to not only hearing your stories, but also seeing your photos and learning about your next international adventures. It is hard to believe that our office is now working with an entirely new group of students preparing for their upcoming Summer, Fall, and Academic-Year terms abroad. An exciting time for everyone!

One time period we do not discuss much in study abroad, though very substantial at CMU, are our Spring Break travelers. We recently welcomed back almost 160 CMU students who were abroad over Spring Break. These students mainly took advantage of service-learning and volunteering opportunities, though some also were involved in academic and networking experiences. We hope all experiences were meaningful, and look forward to learning more at our upcoming summer groups that will be travelling abroad. We will be holding a [Tartans Abroad Showcase event](#) for summer service groups to share their experiences. Come join us for this event in September!

This biannual event allows groups awarded the [Tartans Abroad Group Award](#) the opportunity to showcase their work and experiences preparing for, during, and now post travel abroad. We commend not only the 3 groups presenting, but all students who took advantage of this short time period to travel and work globally!

And finally, on a light note, and something our office looks forward to every year – the [Study Abroad Photo Contest](#) is underway. Look for our current gallery of photos hanging in Skibo Café! And for those abroad, consider entering your photos into next year's contest!

Best regards to all our CMU global ambassadors,

Christine Menand

Assistant Director, Study Abroad & Exchange Programs

*"I have seen more than I remember, and I
remember more than I have seen."*

-Benjamin Disraeli

IIEPASSPORT.ORG

WHAT IS THIS SEARCH ENGINE?

WWW.IIEPASSPORT.ORG

Many of you have used some of the search engines we recommend for finding the best study abroad option available.

One of the options we use most frequently is offered by the Institute for International Education; their www.iiepassport.org site.

What is IIE?

IIE is a private not-for-profit organization that was founded in 1919. Its main goal is the successful exchange of international people and ideas. It provides policies and research on general international exchange issues, and offers support for incoming and outgoing U.S. students. For study abroad specifically, their search engine offers a way for educators as well as students and their families, to know the programs they are seeking through are legitimate and worthwhile.

While many students know of the search engine, few know that IIE also oversees its own programs, as well, i.e. the Fulbright Program and The Gilman Scholarships, administered for the U.S. State Department. Likewise, it provides policies and research on general international exchange issues, and offers support for incoming and outgoing U.S. students.

To learn more about IIE and how you can take advantage of all IIE has to offer, visit their website: <http://www.iie.org/>.



THE NEW CMU STUDY ABROAD PORTAL IS LIVE!

[HTTPS://CMU-SA.TERRADOTTA.COM/](https://CMU-SA.TERRADOTTA.COM/)

The Office of International Education is pleased to announce that our new CMU Study Abroad Portal is now live, and available for use!

This portal not only replaces the need for students to complete paper pre-departure forms, it also acts as an additional search engine for opportunities abroad. On the staff/faculty side, it allows our office oversight on students abroad, from wherever we are in the world- right from our computer.

With this new site we are able to run reports on travel data, advise students as they search for options, and keep cleaner records (due to a link with CMU's SIO). We hope this new system will prove to be an invaluable resource, and we will continue to explore its capabilities, (for example, how we can use this system to organize scholarship applications, exchange agreements, promote events, etc...)

The Spring 2015 study abroad students were the first group to fully utilize this new process. Though tweaks still need to be made, especially with the new "electronic SATC" and "Follow-up SATC", we look forward to working with this new system.

We send our thanks to all the students, faculty, and staff who continue to cooperate and collaborate on this new portal!

Visit: www.cmu.edu/studyabroad for more information.

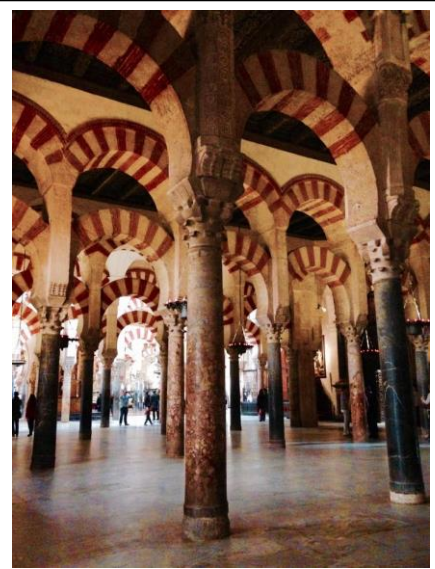


Photo courtesy of Elisa Pabon, CIEE Barcelona, Spain Sp '15

Current student abroad Blogs:

- <http://gottagoplac.es/> - David Moss, London School of Economics, Academic Year '15-16.
- <https://stuckntranslation.wordpress.com/> - Danielle Lehmann, CISabroad Univ. of Westminster, Sp '15.

"To travel is to live." – Hans Christian Andersen

TARTANS *CURRENTLY* ABROAD



*Danielle Lehmann, Sp '15 CISabroad
Univ. of Westminster, London, UK*

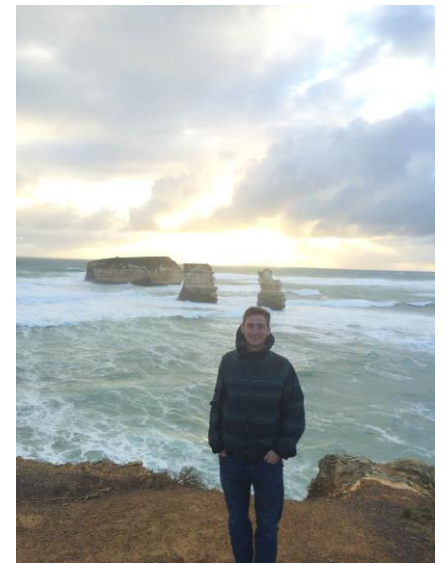


Follow Danielle's blog:

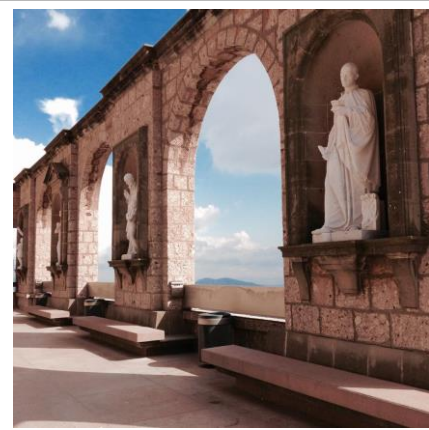
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*Above & right: Ben Alderoty,
CISabroad, Bond Univ., Gold Coast,
Australia, Sp '15*



*Below & lower right: Elisa Pabon,
CIEE Barcelona, Spain, Sp '15*



"I sometimes find that cultures that have strong similarities to my own (such as language, religion, etc...) can be as or more challenging than those that are radically different. " Jeff Palm

FOLLOW-UP STUDY ABROAD TRANSFER OF CREDIT (SATC) FORM—COMPLETE IF CHANGES WERE MADE TO ORIGINAL SATC
 If the courses you end up taking while abroad differ from what was approved above, you will need to receive new approval(s). List all new courses you wish to have approved, along with any previously approved courses. This form must indicate your final course enrollment. Note that you must be enrolled full-time (at least 16 units) while abroad for the fall or spring semester.

Name _____ Student ID _____ Andrew ID _____ College _____

New Course (signature required)	Previously approved (signature required)	Study Abroad Course Number and Course Title (teacher completes this column for all courses, new and previously approved)	SATC Course # Equivalent	Units	Approved for: (indicate Gen. Ed. category if applicable)	Department Representative (Print name and sign or add electronic signature for new courses only)	Notes
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Primary Academic Advisor (Print name and sign or add electronic signature): _____ Date signed: _____

Students: Remember to upload your completed follow-up SATC form to your study abroad account in the CMU Study Abroad Portal.

SATC (STUDY ABROAD TRANSFER CREDIT)

If you made changes to your course registration abroad and have not already made arrangements with your academic advisor(s) please use the [follow up SATC form](#) to update your courses.

Please complete all categories including URL's to specific courses. A copy of the form will be automatically sent to the student's Andrew account and forwarded to the correct advisor. Advisors will review courses and approve when appropriate.

THIS FORM WILL BE ARCHIVED SOON, DUE TO OUR NEW PORTAL. PLEASE CLEAR UP ALL FALL CLASS CHANGES ASAP.

MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR STUDY ABROAD EXPERIENCE

There are plenty of ways to bring your experience back when you return to Carnegie Mellon.

- Attend the Welcome Back Reception
- Help out with an Information Session and/or Pre-Departure
- Serve as an [e-peer advisor](#)
- Publish your journals, short stories, or poetry
- Enter the [2015 Photo Contest](#)
- Use your experience to complete a senior thesis
- Apply for a Fulbright, Rhodes or Marshall scholarship
- Continue your experience with an international internship



“To travel is to take a journey into yourself.” – Danny Kaye



*Some of our [2015 Photo Contest Winning Photos](#).
Submit your photos for the [2016 contest](#)!*

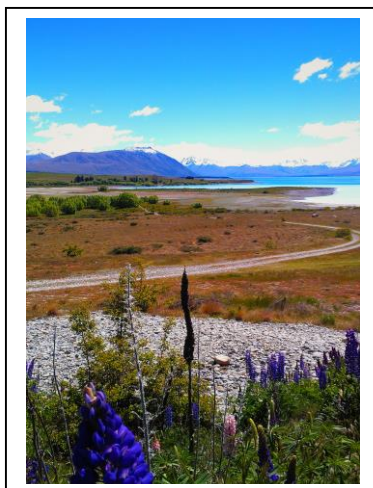
Carnegie Mellon 2013-14 Study Abroad Statistics

Top 10 Destinations:

1. Germany
2. Honduras
3. China
4. United Kingdom
5. Morocco
6. Hong Kong, China
7. Israel
8. France
9. Italy
10. Spain

When students study abroad:

- 28% Fall
- 11% Spring
- 12% Fall
- 45% Spring Break
- 3% All year
- 1% Mini Winter



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“People don’t take trips. Trips take people.” John Steinbeck