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Hello everyone-

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It is difficult for us to believe but the Spring 2016 semester has come to a close, with finals and graduation planning in full force! Since I've joined CMU, each term seems shorter than the last; with us welcoming a student one day to saying *bon voyage* the next! For many of you, I know preparation and planning was in many cases longer than your time abroad. However, we hope your current abroad experience is only the tip of the iceberg, and you are now ready to seek future international experiences.

Greetings from the Office of International Education!

In this newsletter edition we feature individuals who've done just that – faculty exchange participants, Prof. Jim Daniels (CMU, Creative Writing), and Prof. Conor O'Callaghan (Sheffield Hallam Univ., English). We also highlight a past IMPAQT student who's taken the opportunity to go back to our CMU Qatar campus, for a summer internship! Likewise, as research abroad also becomes more prevalent, we are pleased to hear from Brinda Malhotra regarding her upcoming research program in Tokyo this summer. Finally, we congratulate our 2016 Photo Contest winners! We had a wonderful selection, and say a thank you to our Study Abroad Advisory Board for their expert judging capabilities.

And no matter what your plans are for the summer; whether you are travelling, interning, volunteering, vacationing, etc... make sure to <u>process</u> your time abroad. Finish that journal/blog. Create that three-minute elevator speech about your experience. Put together a photo album (Shutterfly can make one for you – just upload your photos, and voila!) These will all help you keep your experience alive!

Finally, do attend our *Welcome Back Reception – Thursday, Sept. 1, 2016, 4:30pm in Danforth room, Cohon Center*. A great way to reconnect with the CMU-Pittsburgh community!

Christine Menand Assistant Director, Study Abroad & Exchange Programs

"Investment in travel is an investment I yourself." Matthew Karsten

NAKATANI RIES: RESEARCH ABROAD, http://nakatani-ries.rice.edu/

Many options are now available for research abroad. For a list of some various options visit our <u>Work/Research/Volunteer</u> page.

Brinda Malhotra, ME '18 has been chosen for the Nakatani RIES (formerly the NanoJapan program). Here is an excerpt from a bio submitted for the program: *Why Nakatani RIES?*

The Nakatani RIES Fellowship is an opportunity for me to diversify both personally and professionally. I will gain international experience that I have never had before. This opportunity relates to my overall undergraduate education because it will complement what I am learning in the class room. For instance, it will provide me with a chance to work in an esteemed laboratory on a project focused on practical applications of Nanotechnology. It will teach me how research is conducted to address real-world problems. I hope to learn skills to succeed in a research environment. I believe that any aspiring researcher in engineering and physics would benefit from this experience. For me, the challenges and opportunities offered by the Nakatani RIES Fellowship are to: (1) gain an in depth understanding of Nanotechnology and its applications in automotive and aerospace industries; (2) learn Japanese language, culture and customs; and (3) learn the process of applied research by completing immersing myself into it for 3 months. Goals

Network with fellow students conducting research as well as with mentors and

superiors. Learn about the Japanese

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language, culture and customs. Try all kinds of new foods both in Texas and in Japan (I am known to be a very picky eater sometimes). Gain knowledge and insights into the world of Nanotechnology. Travel and see places in Japan!



Brinda Malhotra, ME '18

Carnegie Mellon 2014-15 Study Abroad Statistics

Top 10 Destinations: 1. United Kingdom 2. Germany 3. Nicaragua 4. Hong Kong 5. Spain 6. Honduras 7. Japan 8. France 9. Cuba 10. TIE: Italy, Qatar, Panama When students study abroad: 15% Fall 10% Spring 33% Summer 35% Mini Spring 3% All year 4% Mini Winter

Have your classes changed? Complete the Follow-Up SATC

Travel App Some ideas... What's your favorite? (Let us know!)

CITY MAPS 260 Kayak.com Hipmunk.com WhatsApp Wikitude AllSubway Oanda Wi-Fi Finder US State Dept STEP program TraVel.State.goV Squaremouth.com

Check these out - see what they can do for you!



Let us know your favorite goto apps while abroad. Email: goabroad@andrew.cmu.edu.

"There is no moment of delight in any pilgrimage like the beginning of it." Charles Dudley Warner

TARTANS <u>CURRENTLY</u> ABROAD



Above: Elizabeth Agyemang, (Art & Professional Writing '17) is studying at Sheffield Hallam University (SHU) this Spring term. SHU is an exchange partner with CMU's Dept. of English.



Above: Conor O'Callaghan, senior English lecture at SHU and Prof. Jim Daniels from CMU's Dept. of English are trading places this term, teaching at each other's respective university. Read more about their experience in faculty exchange here.



Above: Anthony Comport, (English '16) & Clare Burdeshaw (English & Art '17) studied abroad at the Univ. Of Westminster through CISabroad, Spring 2016.

Left & Below: Ahmad Khanzada (CEE '17) participated in the 2016 IMPAQT program, visiting our CMU Qatar campus. Read more about his experience <u>here</u>.







Left: Jaycie King, Coordinator of Study Abroad & International Programming visited Scotland and London institutions this Spring – with King's College in London on the agenda.

"One's destination is never a place, but a new way of seeing things." Henry Miller

Photo Contest Winners 2016

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Top Left: You abroad: Kayla Quinn (CFA) – Hobbiton (Matamata), New Zealand Top Right: Landscape abroad: Katherine Wang (CIT) – Cinque Terre, Italy Left: People abroad: Jenna Houston (BHA) – Chennai, India















"Wherever you go, go with all your heart." Confucius

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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* Orientation.
- Serve as an <u>e-peer advisor</u>
- Publish your journals, short stories, or poetry
- Enter the <u>2017 Photo Contest</u>
- Use your experience to complete a senior thesis
- Apply for a Fulbright, Rhodes, Churchill, or Marshall scholarship
- Continue your experience with an international internship
- Apply to graduate school abroad
- Apply for the Peace Corps

Looking for your next experience abroad...

Study abroad search engines: <u>CMU Study Abroad Portal</u> <u>www.iiepassport.org</u> <u>www.goabroad.com</u> <u>www.studyabroad.com</u>



Can you guess the cities?



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"Not all those who wander are lost." J.R.R. Tolkien