

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION CENTER NEWSLETTER FALL 2010

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS

Anika Long – CSU IP 2009-10

Anika Long, English major and minor in linguistics, heard about international study opportunities at an orientation fair and decided to pursue study abroad when a job fell through. She selected the CSUIP program in Tübingen, Germany. Located in southwest Germany, Tübingen is a university town offering restored old world castles and cosmopolitan student life.



Anika (left) with her sister Shira at Berkastel-Kues

Anika studied German, English phonology and language courses which will count toward her CSUDH degree.



Anika at Stonehenge – exploring highlights of Europe

Anika gained cultural perspective while living abroad. For example, she learned that for Germans “offering criticism or correction is not viewed as something negative. It is a way of offering help and a way to live up to a social responsibility...If someone sees something is wrong, he or she is obligated to speak up — a hard won lesson from Germany’s experience with National Socialism.”

Fulbright Updates

Congratulations Kaitlin Choi who was awarded a Fulbright grant to teach English at the University of Macau.

For information about student Fulbright awards see www.fulbrightonline.org, and contact Dr. Jan Gasco (jgasco@csudh.edu)

California State University International Programs (CSU IP)

International Programs (IP) is the acclaimed system-wide study abroad program. IP is affiliated with over 50 distinguished universities in 19 countries. CSUDH students can study abroad and earn CSU residence credit. Most IP programs require a 2.75 grade point average. Application deadline is usually February 1 for the following academic year. Interested students should contact Racheal Wangui in the International Education Center.

Special CSU IP features

- No overseas tuition or administrative fees
- Residence (CSU) credit for courses
- Assistance with academics, transportation, visas, and housing, etc.
- CSU faculty resident directors and staff at international centers

University Study Abroad Consortium (USAC) Program

University Study Abroad Consortium (USAC) is a study abroad program based at the University of Nevada. USAC provides semester, summer and year-long programs to students from over 600 universities worldwide in 25 countries. Summer Programs are available in most of the countries. Financial aid is fully applicable.

Scholarship Information

IP and USAC scholarships are available for CSUDH students. First come, first serve.
Fall 2010 – 2011 IEC Scholarship recipients
Milton Bhoorquez \$500, Conor Gorey \$200
Davis Brode \$200, Dustin Underwood \$200
Jenna Alarcon \$200, Judith Gomez \$200
Luz Gomez \$200, Justin White \$200

Study Abroad Information Calendar – Fall 2010

Everyone is Welcome

September 1, Wednesday, 11– 12:00pm

October 5, Tuesday, 11– 12:00pm

October 5, USAC Representative

October 25 – 27, CSU IP Representative

November 3, Wednesday, 11– 12:00pm

December 2, Thursday, 11– 12:00pm

Location: Extended Education Building
classroom EE 1210

Contact Racheal Wangui (310) 243-3919

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Two Students, Two Perspectives

Last year Spanish/Chicano Studies major Christina Flores was selected by CSU IP to study in Mexico at the Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey - Campus Queretaro, while history major Jason Moore opted for USAC’s study abroad program in Viterbo, Italy. Cristina and Jason discovered their study abroad programs by responding to advertisements posted on campus and both funded study abroad in part through financial aid awards.



Cristina at Xochitlmilco-Teotihuacan

Cristina says her Mexico experience has better equipped her for the future. Christina’s advice: “it’s not a bad thing to have expectations but one needs to be open minded to the fact that not every where you go will be like home, and as soon one let’s go of that expectation everything seems to fall into place.”

Jason wanted to deepen his study of Roman history by studying in Italy. Unlike some students who study in a European country, Jason did not travel outside Italy during his year. He says “Italy offers a world of its own and a culture truly unique.” Jason envisions himself teaching in Italy in the future. This experience, he says, “provided a sense of purpose and clarity of mind.”



Jason at the Coliseum - Rome

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International Opportunities for Faculty

Tenured or tenure-track faculty interested in applying for positions as CSU resident director in China, France, Italy, Japan, Mexico or Spain, contact Dr. Leena Furtado, CSUDH Academic Council on International Programs (ACIP) representative lfurtado@csudh.edu or visit website www.calstate.edu/ip.

Study Abroad Application

Deadlines

Contact Racheal Wangui in IEC (243-3919) for information and applications.

CSU IP 2011 – 2012

Feb 1, 2011 – most programs

May 1, 2011 – South Africa

USAC Spring 2011

Aug 1 India; Aug 15 Sweden; Sept 1

England, Thailand; Sept 15 Denmark,

England, Netherlands, Scotland; Oct 1

Ireland, Korea, Norway; Oct 15 Scotland,

New Zealand; Oct 30 Malta; Oct 31

Australia; Nov 1 Santiago, China, Costa

Rica, Czech Republic, India, Italy, Mexico,

France, Germany, Ghana, Japan, Spain;

Nov 15 Japan; Dec 1 Australia

CSUDH Students Abroad 2010-11

CSU International Program (yearlong)

Milton Bhoorquez, Korea

Major: International Business

USAC Program Fall 2010-11

Jenna Alarcon, London, Major: Health Science

Davis Brode, Australia, Major: Marketing

Judith Gomez, Spain, Major: Communication

Luz Gomez, Spain, Major: International Business

Conor Gorey, Italy, Major: History

Dustin Underwood, China, Major: Business

Justin White, London, Major: Undeclared

USAID Training Grant Awarded

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) awarded a grant to the College of Extended & International Education to train SEED Scholars in 2011. "Scholarships for Education and Economic Development" (SEED) provides education and training to youth and community leaders from economically disadvantaged and historically underserved populations, including women and ethnic/indigenous groups. SEED scholars are selected from the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mexico and Nicaragua. *(Cont'd next column.)*

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Secretary of State Hillary Clinton with SEED scholars in Mexico

CEE proposed a 6-month educational program addressing transmissible disease vector control. Michael Casner, CEE international training coordinator and proposal co-author says this is a "very compelling program which will create community leaders who have skills and knowledge to directly improve quality of life in their local communities." Partnerships with several local agencies such as Greater LA County Vector Control District and UCLA Harbor Women's Health Clinic will provide SEED scholars with hands-on demonstration of prevention, treatment and abatement methods for vector control diseases.

The first cohort of twenty SEED scholars arrives on campus in January 2011. Their study program will be conducted primarily in Spanish with an orientation to American culture and practical English provided by ALCP.

The SEED program is administered by Georgetown University's Center for Intercultural Education and Development. (<http://cied.georgetown.edu/seed>)

Attention Faculty

Contact Racheal Wangui in IEC (243-3919 iec@csudh.edu) to schedule a 10 minute classroom presentation on student study abroad opportunities.

CSUDH Celebrates



For information: IEC (310) 243-3919

CEE - Where Minds, Cultures & Generations Meet

Seniors enrolled in the CSUDH Osher Lifelong Learning Institute summer course "Introduction to Mandarin" visited with Chinese middle school students from Xian who were studying English at CSUDH in an ALCP summer camp program. Intergenerational exchange worked beautifully as youth and elders supported each other's efforts to learn a new language.



OLLII at CSUDH member Jale Pullen speaks Mandarin with visiting Chinese students

CSUDH Welcomes IP Exchange Students

The CSU IP has agreements with several universities abroad in order to provide opportunities for international students to study at any CSU campus for a semester or year. This year CSUDH is hosting exchange students from campuses in Germany and England who participate in the CSU IP exchange program.



(From right) Florian Kuehlwein (Germany), Dennis Schafer (Germany), Sarah Roos (Germany), CEE Dean Margaret Gordon, Joanne Zitelli, Liam Clayton (UK), Florian Wolf (Germany) & Lisa Korwasch (Germany) not pictured