**SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENTS**

**Judith Gomez - USAC Spain**

In fall 2010 Communications major Judith Gomez studied in Madrid at the Universidad Rey Juan Carlos. Courses she completed will count toward her minor in Spanish. Her study abroad experience also resulted in several discoveries: she became more independent and learned the benefits of public transportation; her love of languages blossomed and she plans to add French to her language skills; and she was offered a marketing job after graduation through a contact she made in Spain.

**Kayleigh Raciak - USAC Australia**

About her experience in Australia last spring Kayleigh says “if I could do it again, I would in a heart beat.” Kayleigh was assisted by her CSUDH advisor in selecting several courses at Deakin University, (Melbourne) that counted toward her major, criminal justice.

**Milton Bhoorquez - CSU IP South Korea**

When he heard about CSUDH study abroad programs from an announcement in his Toro email, Milton Bhoorquez headed straight to the study abroad office (IEC). He selected the CSU International Program at Yonsei University in Seoul.

As an international business major, Milton understands the importance of study abroad for his career. “With saturated markets and a down –sloping economy in the U.S., having knowledge of another language and culture will increase how marketable I can be.”

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**STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMS**

The CSU International Program (IP) is an acclaimed year-long 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. The application deadline is usually February 1 for the following academic year. Start planning now for 2012-2013.

**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

The 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 700 universities nationwide in 24 countries. Summer Programs are available in most of the countries. Financial aid is fully applicable. Apply now for summer and fall.

**Scholarships**

IP and USAC scholarships are available for CSUDH students. Apply early.

Spring 2011 USAC/CSUDH Scholarship recipients - $400 each
Dustin Underwood; Ivana Rodriguez
Gabriela Velazquez; Courtney Robinson

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**Benjamin Gilman Scholarship Awarded to Gabriela Velazquez**

Senior Gabriela Velazquez received combined scholarships totaling $2,900 to support her spring 2011 enrollment at the University of the Basque, Bilbao, Spain. A prestigious Benjamin Gilman Scholarship for $1,500 was awarded to Gabriela, an English major preparing for a career as an educator. The Gilman scholarship program, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and administered by the Institute of International Education, aims to diversify study abroad participation of outstanding American undergraduates. Gabriela also received a $1,000 USAC Bilbao Scholarship and a USAC/CSUDH scholarship of $400.

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**INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION CENTER HAS MOVED!**

(IIEC) Small College Complex, SCC 136A
310 243-3919  iec@csudh.edu

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**Attention Faculty**

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

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IEC Newsletter Editors: Joanne Zitelli & Rachel Wangui. Comments, questions or stories, contact iec@csudh.edu.
Milton Bhoorquez (cont’d from side 1)

Milton recommends that CSUDH promote international study opportunities more widely on campus and in the community through announcements on its main web site and through other promotional campaigns. It is important, he believes, that the public know CSUDH encourages students to participate in international programs.

Milton found the people in South Korea to be very kind. They assisted him with activities of daily life such as finding markets to shop for food; this helped him economize, and learn about the local color.

Study Abroad Application

Deadlines
Contact Racheal Wangui in IEC (243-3919 iec@csudh.edu) for information and applications.
CSU IP 2012
May 1, 2011 – South Africa
USAC Summer 2011
   Session I April 1
   Session II May 1
USAC Fall 2011
Feb 1 Japan; Mar 1 Scotland, England; Mar 15 Japan, Norway, Scotland; Apr 1
Australia, Denmark, England, Japan, Korea, Sweden; Apr 15 England, Ghana, Netherlands, New Zealand; May 1 Czech Republic, Ireland; May 15 Australia; Jun 15 Chile, China, Costa Rica, England, France, Germany, India, Italy, Malta, Mexico, Spain; July 1 Thailand; August 1 Australia

CSUDH Students Abroad 2010-11
USAC Program Spring 2011
Courtney Robinson, Spain, Major: Business
Dustin Underwood, China, Major: Business
Gabriela Velazquez, Spain, Major: Education
Ivana Rodriguez, Australia, Major: Business

CSUDH Welcomes Returning Shanghai Students’ Post

Aspiring journalists from Shanghai Students’ Post returned to CSUDH in January for an intensive ESL and journalism course offered by ALCP. Students visited the offices of Long Beach Magazine.

CSUDH Celebrated International Education Week 2010

ASI, ALCP, CSU international students, Multicultural Center, Office of Student Life, IEC Asian Pacific Studies, Chicano/Chicana Studies and “Dance of World Cultures” participants combined efforts to host activities recognizing International Education Week (IEW) in November 2010. IEW is celebrated at schools and colleges across the nation in order to promote international exchange and globalization of the curriculum.

Fulbright Update

The Fulbright Program offers support for
• U.S. Students conducting research abroad; recent Bachelor’s degree as well as graduate students. Deadline in mid-Sept. for 2012-13
• Non-U.S. students coming to U.S. to pursue graduate work
• U.S. scholars conducting research and/or teaching abroad; deadlines Aug.-Oct.
• Non U.S. scholars to teach/conduct research in U.S.
• Foreign Language Teaching Assistantships (FLTA) program; scholars from abroad to teach foreign languages on U.S. campuses

Go to www.iie.org/fulbright for additional information about any of these programs or contact Janine Gasco, jgasco@csudh.edu

SEED Scholars Reception

USAID-SEED scholars were welcomed to the university on January 31st by the Honorable Jose Alberto Acevedo Vogl, consulate general of Nicaragua (pictured above 4th from left) with Nicaraguan SEED scholars. President Mildred Garcia, faculty and staff welcomed 20 SEED (Scholarships for Education and Economic Development) participants from Central America who are studying transmissible disease control and community health planning in a grant-funded program awarded to the College of Extended & International Education.