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WELCOME TO IUP!

The Office of International Education (OIE) is here to provide you with support, guidance and assistance. We are here to help you during your stay in the U.S. as an IUP student or as you consider and prepare to go on study abroad.

The American Language Institute (www.iup.edu/ali), IUP's long-standing intensive English program, now falls under the OIE and enrolls international students who need additional language. study prior joining an academic program at IUP or another U.S. institution. The ALI offers 4-6 levels of English language instruction and students are in class 18-20 hours per week. The 15 ALI instructors possess, at a minimum, a Masters degree and ESL/EFL experiences.

The OIE will soon open its new Study Abroad Center, located in B39 Delaney. It will be a "one stop shop" for students considering study abroad and faculty planning to take a group overseas. The projected opening is the end of October.

The OIE and ALI include the following staff:

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| . Cindy Smeltzer | ALI Secretary |

WELCOME GAIL



Gail is the receptionist at the OIE. Gail was born and raised in Western Pennsylvania, but has lived and traveled to numerous places. She attended Bradford School, where she studied accounting. In her free time, Gail enjoys spending time with family and friends. Gail also enjoys biking, reading, baking and spending time outdoors.

WELCOME ANDY



Andy is the study abroad advisor at the OIE. Andy is originally from Michigan, but throughout his life he has had the privilege to travel to several countries including Honduras and Mexico. During his studies in Mexico, he became a member of the track team. Andy is a soccer fan and he plays for recreation. He also has a passion to travel.



The OIE and ALI are also supported by a variety of dedicated Graduate Assistants, student workers, and volunteers. The OIE is located in B25 Delaney Hall and the ALI is located in 214 Eicher Hall. During Spring, both offices are open: Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch from 12-1 p.m.)

When you visit the OIE or ALI, please stop at the front desk and explain your request. They will assist you, refer you to a workshop or information session, or make an appointment for you to see the appropriate person. Good luck with your semester and enjoy your life in and out of the classroom!

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ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN

Arria Washington, United States/ English

There I was trying to run through Incheon airport with 100 pounds of luggage and no clue where I was going. I was 15 minutes late to meet the rest of my group, and I suddenly forgot all the Korean I had learned over the past year. Luckily I only had to ask directions to McDonalds.

When I finally arrived, nervous and exhausted, I was ecstatic to see those familiar golden arches. But it was not the familiar sight that made that moment great. It was that I was starting off on a four-month journey in a totally new place, with little idea of what experiences were in store for me. Anything could happen, and it was great!

That semester I studied at Korea University in Sejong, South Korea, and I experienced more than I ever could have expected. I hiked through gorgeous mountains, and walked on beaches with beautiful aquamarine water. I cooked Korean foods, and tasted fruits I didn't even know existed.

I learned "survival" Korean, and taught English to middle school students.

The best experiences happened when I was just hanging out with friends. Most of the time we were just studying in a café, or eating noodles outside the 7/11. We were always experiencing each other's cultures and getting to know each other better. By the end of the semester we had become like brothers and sisters.

On my last day in Korea I found myself running through the airport again. I had spent too many "last moments" with my friends, and now I was rushing towards my plane.

As I passed the McDonalds I could not help but smile. I remembered arriving there four months earlier and being swarmed by friendly faces. I could not believe how many great experiences I had shared with those people since meeting them in the airport, or how much I had come to love them. 🇺🇸



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QUANTUM MYSTERY

Kazi M. Reaz, Bangladesh/ Physics

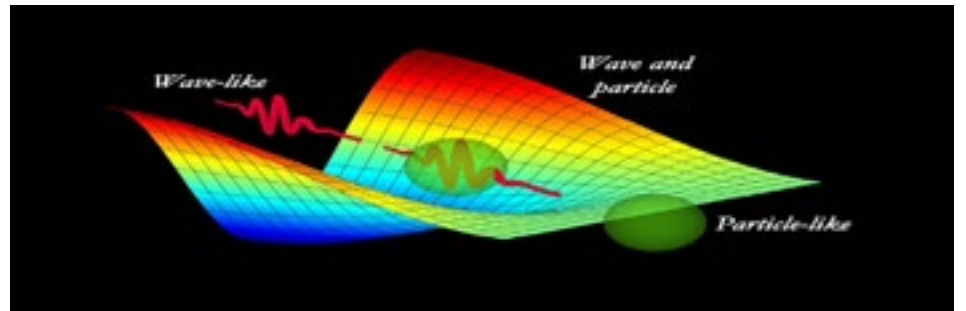


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Scientists try to unravel the mysteries of the universe and they came to an outstanding conclusion. To make sense of the outer space they need to understand the inner space. The microscopic allows us to see some of this. However, shrinking down a trillion times into the realm of atoms and subatomic particles takes us into a strange unexplored world.

The microscopic world we see is really weird and indeed downright bizarre, and of course unbelievable. However, the realm of atoms and subatomic particles is far smaller than anything we can see clearly with the microscope, but of course it holds the key to the cosmos.

Yes it is for sure if we can only understand from where we came from if we understand this crazy micro world. The problem is in that world, rules of physics are much less intuitive than ones that we used to from large scale world. The magic of the microscopic universe begins at about 10 billionth of a meter or the size of an atom. Matter behaves so differently at this level that scientists have developed an entirely different set of

rules to describe what is going on, which is known as "Quantum Mechanics".

The subatomic particles are routinely doing all sorts of weird and strange things in the microscopic world. The subatomic version of particles can be invisible, can go through solid objects with ease, can be at multiple positions at the same time, or go backwards in time and change the path. For any human being, it is almost impossible to understand quantum physics rules. That is why one of greatest physicist Richard P. Feynman remarked,

"I can safely say that no one understands Quantum Mechanics."

No one knows the answer. This is one of the fundamental mysteries of quantum mechanics. Quantum mechanics is so weird that when they were discovered almost a century ago these test results could not settle one the greatest mind of the history of physics.

Albert Einstein argued, "I don't believe in quantum physics because the moon is there even when I'm not looking at it." 🇺🇸

M & M ADVENTURES IN INDIANA, PA

Maha Alawdat, Israel/ English and Mona Albalawi, Saudi Arabia/ Literature and Criticism

Have you seen us before? We exist in the library among the smell of books and the aroma of coffee. We are Ph.D. students from the English Department—Maha Alawdat is in Composition & TESOL program, and Mona Albalawi is from Literature and Criticism program.

Although we come from different departments, countries, and cultures, we created a sisterhood bond here far away from home. Our motto is to find pleasure in the little things in life and create our own adventure instead of sitting back and waiting for something interesting to happen.

As Ph.D. students, we are not just book worms and we do not dedicate our lives only to our dissertations. It is just a stereotype. Do not believe it! We know how to entertain ourselves even in a tiny town like Indiana. Just look around and discover the amount of fun around you.

For us, Wal-Mart is a great place to start with. Equipped with a digital camera and a sense of humor, taking crazy pictures from differ-

ent sections, even the shoe aisle is enjoyable.

Carmike Cinema in Indiana Mall is another place to have fun, but not without hot salty popcorn with a slight sprinkle of butter on the top and a cold soda. If you are lucky enough, you will be treated as if you are a celebrity and have the whole theater just for you.

Simply stretch yourself out on any seat, in any side, and in any row without any worries about people in front of you because the theater is yours.

After the movie, you can also create another adventure in the Mall. Walk around, smile, and pose to your camera. It is not be a bad idea at all if you take a picture while trying a new brand of hats or sunglasses.

The IUP library is no exception because it is the best place to create an adventure. For academics like us, we can combine both working on assignment and socializing at the same time.

Of course not with the dead poets and authors in the library, but with real digitalized humans who will greet you with a "Hi and how are you?" Or you could simply meet new people and chat over one of Java's different beverages while trying the new bouncy chairs.

Indoor adventures are nothing compared to outdoor ones. The Oak Grove is a mystical place in front of the library where you can relax your mind by meditating within nature, leaving your mind to wonder around and inhale fresh air while the squirrels keep jumping from one tree to another. From there, head to Philadelphia Street where the coffee shops and restaurants are in a abundance and city lights sparkle in the street.

After all, being PhD students in a small city like Indiana will not stop us from creating our own adventures and memories to share with our loved ones. 🇺🇸



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FULBRIGHT PROGRAM INTERVIEW WITH DR. MICHELE PETRUCCI

Thais Campos, Brazil/ Human Development and Environmental Studies



Image taken by OIE Staff.

Thais: In 2005, why did you apply for the Fulbright program in Japan for International Education Administrators? What did you hope to gain from your experience?

Dr. Petrucci: Primarily, I hoped to gain in-depth experience of the Japanese educational system. The program was based in Tokyo but I got to travel to other cities around that area as well. I got to see the education system from kindergarten through post

graduate programs from different types of school: some from public schools, others from private universities, grad programs. And we had fun also: no suits on weekends!

Thais: What do you think is the impact of the Fulbright program in other countries?

Dr. Petrucci: It is a fantastic program which I think needs to be more funded. Getting other students to come to America and to learn about the qualities of the U.S., it is just such a great opportunity for other countries to truly get to know each other and to get rid of misconceptions.

Thais: How do you feel you benefitted from your experience?

Dr. Petrucci: It is a very prestigious program as only 5 educators are chosen. It is good

networking, professional, and it is more of an immersion experience.

Thais: Please share some highlights about your experience in Japan.

Dr. Petrucci: A dinner with about 25 IUP alumni with food and beverages on a Friday night in Tokyo.

A baseball game in Hiroshima. they were very passionate about baseball.

The Hiroshima Peace Memorial. It was a time for self-reflection, thinking about war and things that challenge you.

Thais: What was your day to day experience like?

Dr. Petrucci: There were meetings from 8a.m.-6p.m., Monday through Friday that were held primarily in Tokyo: dress up-make-up-ready to go

every day! Also, we used public transportation everywhere. After that we could go for dinner and stay in the neighborhood, sight-see, and do some shopping as well. ■

There are a wide range of Fulbright opportunities for students and faculty. The websites include:

-<http://www.cies.org/>

-<http://eca.state.gov/fulbright>

-<http://us.fulbrightonline.org/>

-<http://www.iie.org/fulbright>

THE MOST INTERESTING SUPERBOWL COMMERCIAL

Tong Wang, China/ Hospitality Management



Image from <http://z6mag.com>

The most interesting ad among the 2013 super bowl ads I think was the Taco Bell commercial. I believe that most people would have picked this one because it is a group of young-at-heart grandpas and grandmas that sneak out of their retirement home for a night of fun.

I was not sure what kind of song they were singing in the ad, but I am familiar the rhythm with the popular hit "Fun We Are Young" in the background. One can see the group of mischief-makers partying hard and fast, before ending their night at a Taco Bell.

This makes me think that some older people might not accept the behavior of what the older people were doing in the ad. I am in favor of older people enjoying youthful activities, including sports, dancing, enjoying good food, etc. However, the ad delivers an important message to all people; that message is "Age is nothing but a number".

Advertising pushes the bounds of reasonableness causing us to react, think, and remember. This ad succeeds

on those principles. Some people do not like this commercial because it pushes those bounds. I showed the ad to two of my friends because they like super bowl ads.

When I asked them about what they think of this commercial they were very surprised and said "it is ridiculous." Then they said, "What a wild night that would be if we could do that when we become older. We want our future older life to be that way and live as if we are younger."

Age should not be a barrier to the enjoyment of any of these things. However, engaging in vandalism and other illegal activities does not represent the type of behavior that myself and others find acceptable for people of any age. ■

MY SPRING BREAK IN 2013

Chi-Chen Jennifer Tsai, Taiwan/ Adult and Comm Education

Attending a town hall meeting was a thrilling event over my spring break. It allowed me to visit a new location, to meet different residents, and listen to people's opinions about society. Strongstown is a rural township on the East of the Indiana Borough and about 16 miles away.

The Historical Society Schoolhouse is not a huge building, but is neat and cozy. Since this was the first meeting in this town, many town folks showed up on a cold Saturday morning. Although the room was almost full, everyone was happy to sit side by side.

State Representative Reed listened to citizens' questions and provided his feedback as best as he could to answer their concerns. Most of the speakers work for coalmining or construction

companies. They were interested in topics such as economic growth, medicare, and other programs that impact them the most. Several people complained about public welfare abuse. One citizen blamed irresponsible social workers who helped those who are unwilling to work hard and she said that will hurt system. A mine worker asked why the local government does not promote the area as a vacation preference. A construction worker wanted to have a list of stores that have food grown and made in Pennsylvania so he could purchase



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his groceries at those stores. Some people voice concerns about receiving their voter IDs so they vote in the next elections. I could feel attendees' passions about their concerns on how to make their town and state stronger. Their patriotism and love for their country impressed me.

Representative Reed said he would help me by giving me the state budget information because I am interested in funds about early childhood education and higher education. It was a long meeting, but everyone was patient during those two hours. Unfortunately, on my way home, I spent an additional 20 minutes returning to Indiana because I missed a traffic sign and ended up in Homer City! ■

A MEMORABLE EXPERIENCE

Thanyan Win, Thailand / Business Education



Image from <http://www.popsi.com>

Everyone has different views about life and their views come from the experiences of the situations they have been through. A memorable experience has a big influence to people; it may change your mind, personality or your impression on certain people.

Here is my memorable experience: when I was in eighth grade I was on a Mathematical competition team.

When we had a competition coming up next month and had Math practice every Sunday morning. My school was very far away from my house and my parents could not take me to school because they had to go

early for work on Sundays. So I had to take a fifty-minute subway ride to my school.

As the date of the competition approached, we had a final test for the selection of members from the team. I stayed up and studied very late before the test day. My brother and I were supposed to leave the house at 7 a.m., but that was the time I woke up. So we quickly gathered our stuff, had a quick breakfast, and my brother and I ran to the subway station.

When we finally got into the subway station and was waiting for the train to arrive, a woman's high-heeled shoe got stuck in the escalator and she couldn't pull her shoe from inbetween the steps. Our train was about to arrive too! In the morning, there were only a few people in the subway station, and she was yelling for people to help her.

She needed someone to run up to press the emergency button to stop the escalator. In this case, if we decide to go and help her we will miss the train and we will not be on time to take the test... But we still decided to help the lady. I ran up to the escalator and pressed the button to stop it and my brother helped her free the shoe from the escalator. We were glad the lady did not get hurt.

When we finally got to school, my brother told them why we were late and they decided to let me take the test anyway. From this situation, I had two options: I can make a choice to just get on the train and be on time for my test or I can go help the woman and be late for my test. that day I learned, it is always better to be brave and to help others as opposed to only helping yourself. ■

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SOCCER GAME

Abdulahdi Alajmi, Kuwait / Accounting



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Nobody can deny that soccer is the most popular sport in the world. I would like to talk about the importance of the most popular game in the world for schools in the in the United States.

There are four games that are very important among people in the United States. They are football, basketball, baseball, and hockey. In my opinion, football is most common game that exists in America.

I am an international student at IUP, but before transferring here. I studied at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, PA.

The reason I mentioned Pittsburgh is because there are only two schools that have an official soccer team, which indicates that soccer is not as popular at U.S. schools. Duquesne University and the University of Pittsburgh are the only schools that have an official soccer team.

It appears as if some people in the United States do not consider soccer as tough as other sports! I think that soccer is riskier than American football.

We have to change the attitudes of the American people toward soccer. I am sure that schools in the United States, especially the big universities, have a professional soccer player especially among the international students.

For example, in IUP I personally know many European and Middle Eastern people who are professional players of soccer. Some of those people even got a full scholarship from some schools which are located in Florida.

Also, should need to make soccer accessible for both genders. I know American women are successful in soccer, and they reached the finals in the world championship many times. Finally, we need more attention devoted to soccer across the world! ■

LAND OF ABUNDANCE CHENGDU

Xiaoai Zhou, China / Hospitality Management



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Chengdu, the capital of Sichuan Province, lies in the hinterland of the Chengdu Plain, in central Sichuan. Covering a total land area of 12,400 square kilometers, Chengdu has a jurisdiction of over seven districts, four cities and either counties.

By the end of 1999, the population of Chengdu had reached 10.036 million, of which 3.30 million were urban residents. Chengdu enjoys a long history. As one of China's famous historical and cultural cities, Chengdu enjoys rich tourist resources. With rich cultural heritage and beautiful scenic spots, Chengdu is a peaceful and prosperous city.

Each year, Chengdu hosts various food festivals, which provide a stage for people to demonstrate cooking skills all kinds of dishes and snacks.

Sichuan being the most well-known Chinese food within China, you will find no shortage of delicious Sichuan food in Chengdu. Most of the food is quite spicy. The local king of kings is the Hotpot. It is basically a big pot of oil, water and spices simmering in a hole in the middle of your table.

Patrons can choose from a big variety of skewered food including veggies, sea-weed, fish, beef, chicken, and dog's meat and proceed to boil them in the oil. After the meal, your bill will be calculated by counting the skewer-sticks. ■

WHAT'S GOING ON?

AT THE OIE, ALI, IUP, AND BEYOND: FALL 2013

SEPTEMBER

WEDNESDAY, 18

Faculty Led Study Abroad Workshop 101. 11:30am-12:30pm B-39 Delaney Hall.

THURSDAY, 19

Faculty Led Study Abroad Workshop 101. 11:30am-12:30pm B-39 Delaney Hall.

SATURDAY, 21

Ohiopyle (biking/rafting). 7:30am. Bus leaves from HUB lower lot.

TUESDAY, 24

F-1: *How Do I Work Off-Campus?* 2:00pm HUB Monongahela Room.

OCTOBER

TUESDAY, 1

Faculty Led Study Abroad Workshop 201. 12:30pm-1:30pm B-39 Delaney Hall

WEDNESDAY, 2

Faculty Led Study Abroad Workshop 201. 12:30pm-1:30pm B-39 Delaney Hall

TUESDAY, 8

J-1 *Academic Training Workshop*. 2:00pm OIE Conference Room.

FRIDAY, 11

Kennywood Fright Night. 4:30pm. Bus leaves from the HUB lower lot.

SATURDAY, 19

Grove City Trip. 9:00am. Bus leaves from the HUB lower lot.

MONDAY, 21

International Lunch Hour. Folger Hall. 12:00pm to 1:15pm. Crimson Event Center. FREE!

FRIDAY, 25

F-1: *How Do I Work Off Campus?* 2:00pm HUB Monongahela Room.

NOVEMBER

TUESDAY, 5

Faculty Led Study Abroad Workshop 201. 12:00pm-1:00pm B-39 Delaney Hall.

WEDNESDAY, 6

Faculty Led Study Abroad Workshop 201. 12:00pm-1:00pm B-39 Delaney Hall.

SATURDAY, 9

Fallingwater. 7:30am. Bus leaves from HUB lower lot.

WEDNESDAY, 20

International Lunch Hour. Folger Hall. 12:00pm to 1:15pm. Crimson Event Center. FREE!

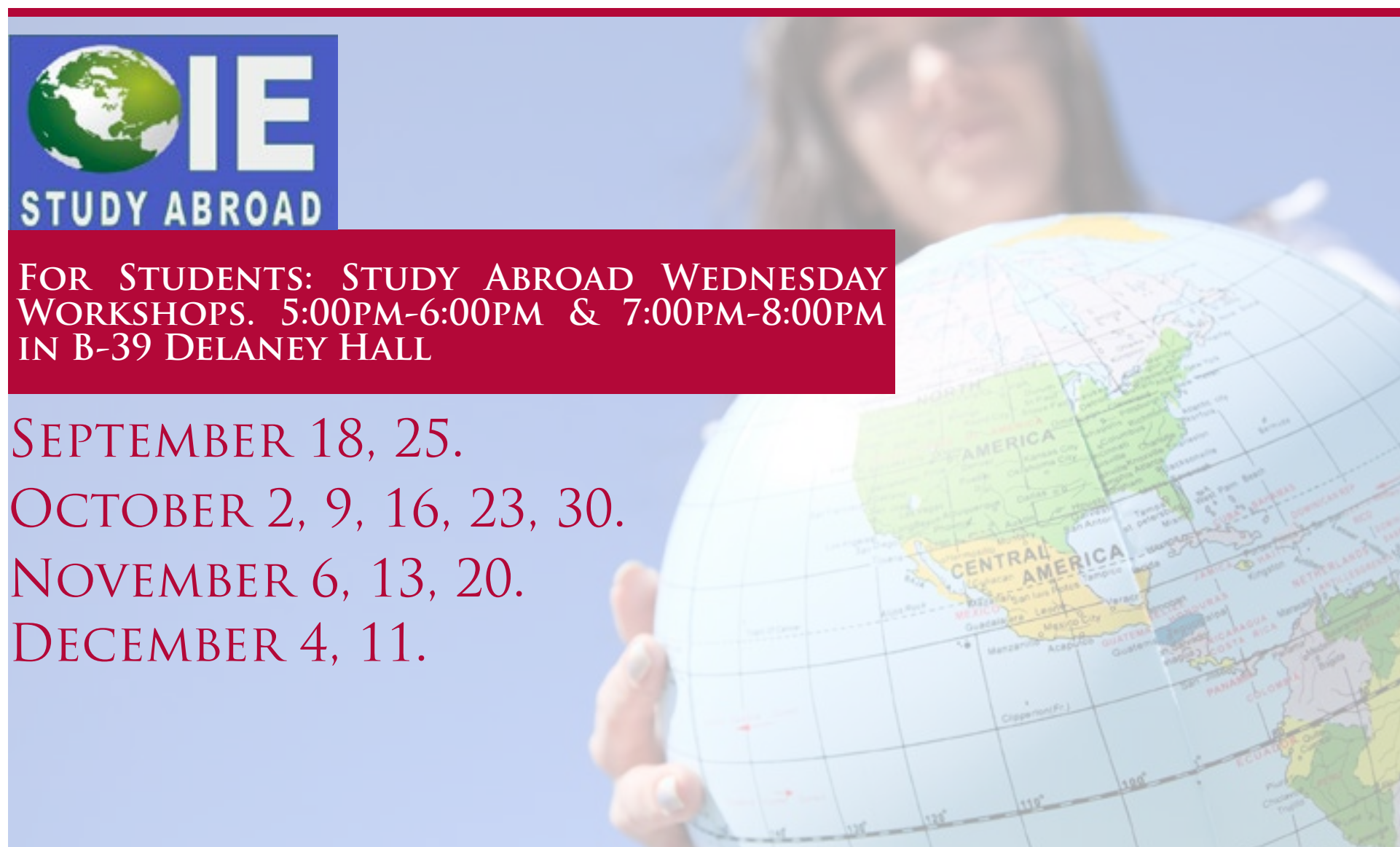
DECEMBER


TUESDAY, 10

Faculty Led Study Abroad Workshop 101. 12:00pm-1:00pm, 1:30pm-2:30pm B-39 Delaney Hall.

TO BE ANNOUNCED

Yarnicks Farm Fall Fest, Bowling and Ice Skating.



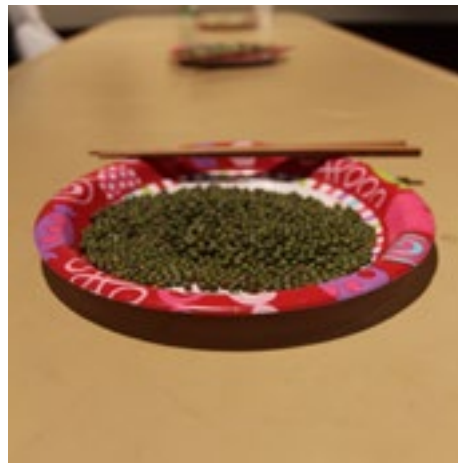


FOR STUDENTS: STUDY ABROAD WEDNESDAY WORKSHOPS. 5:00PM-6:00PM & 7:00PM-8:00PM IN B-39 DELANEY HALL

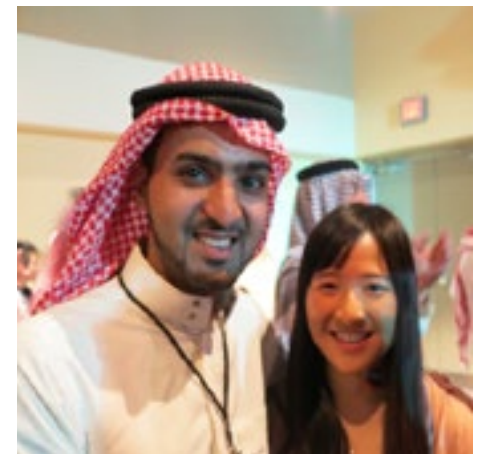
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 DECEMBER 4, 11.

OIE SPRING 2013 EVENT PHOTOS

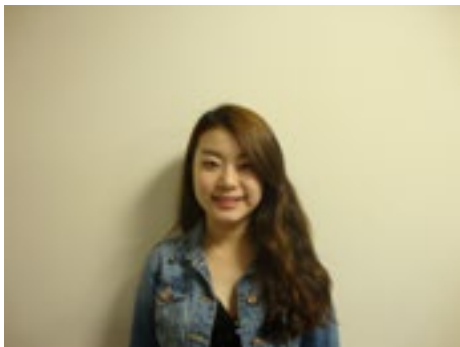
Chinese New Year- February 10, 2013



Islamic Awareness Day- April 18, 2013



WHAT THEY SAID ABOUT INTERNATIONAL UNITY DAY?



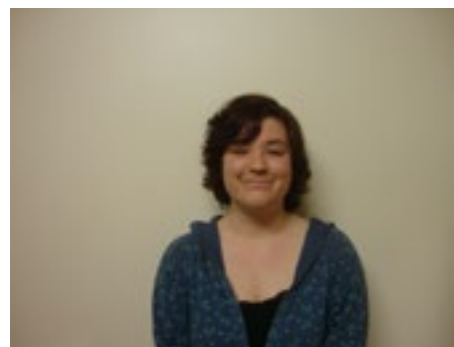
Name: Hyojung Lee
Country: South Korea
Major: English

"I loved that I could experience so many cultures and food. Also, I could mingle with hundreds of people from all over the world!"



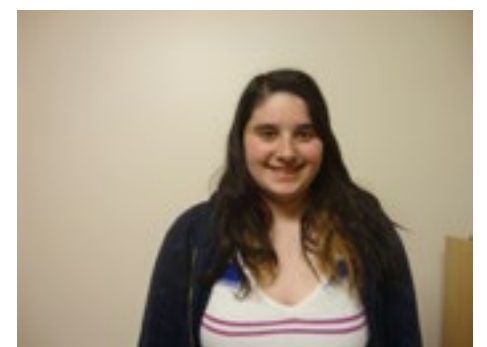
Name: Nawaporn Aruonratsameehot
Country: Thailand
Major: Marketing\Interior Design

"I love Unity Day because I was able to try the food from other countries and meet the other international students."



Name: Kristen Altomare
Country: USA
Major: Family & Consumer Science Education

"I enjoyed trying different types of foods and seeing the interesting performances!"



Name: Kaitlin Walmer
Country: USA
Major: Psychology

"There was lots of free food. Brazil's had the best performances."

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WITH A PARTIAL TUITION WAIVER

Red Cross Health Services Assistant

Purpose: Assist the Health Services Department in delivering its mission by providing support in assigned departments. If interested please contact Connie Patterson at 724.465.5678.

Jimmy Stewart Museum

Ticket office or gift shop volunteer. Some clerical work is required. Contact Tim Harley, Executive Director at 727.349.6112 or email tharley@jimmy.org.

Four Footed Friends

Assistance needed with animal care, office work, computer work, and fundraising. If interested please contact Shannon Cole at 724.349.1144 or email fffvolunteers@hotmail.com.

Indiana County Humane Society

Volunteers can walk dogs, help clean, and play with animals. If interested please contact Mary at 724.463.1043.

Other opportunities will be sent via email to all PTW participants. We strongly encourage students to find opportunities relevant to their field of study. Contact your academic department or the Office of Service Learning at www.iup.edu/servicelearning for more volunteer opportunities.

STUDIOABROAD AND STUDY ABROAD

Interested students should create a profile on StudioAbroad before they have an appointment with an Advisor. StudioAbroad is an online database and content management system that not only allows for better access to study abroad information, but also allows students to apply for study abroad directly from the IUP Study Abroad website. Students are able to create a secure account with their IUP login and manage their entire study abroad process electronically.

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- Academic references
- International Student Identity Card applications
- Pre-Departure information
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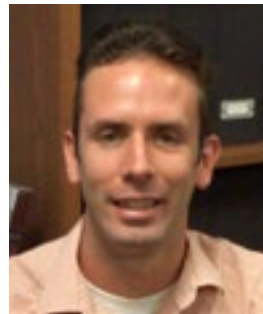
MEET THE STUDY ABROAD TEAM

JESSICA HALCHAK, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR: STUDY ABROAD



Jessica is a native of Indiana. She received her B.S. in French Education from IUP and her M.A. in Foreign Languages from West Virginia University. Both of these degrees gave her the opportunity to study, work, teach, and live in France. Having had great experiences as a student, Jessica fully understands the academic value and life-changing experiences that studying abroad can offer. She is currently a doctoral candidate in Administration and Leadership Studies at IUP. Her favorite places to visit is are the Hawaiian Islands and the Highlands of Scotland.

ANDY KENT, STUDY ABROAD ADVISOR



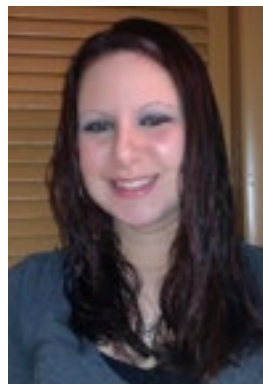
Andy's home state is Michigan. Here, he graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Education for Spanish and Physical Education. He was a Spanish teacher at Martinsville High School and later taught physical education in Tegucigalpa, Honduras for a year. During his time as a teacher, Andy has traveled to many countries in Central and South America as well as Spain. In addition, he studied in Queretaro, Mexico for a semester where he became a member of the track team. Andy has recently graduated from IUP with a degree in Student Affairs in Higher Education.

JACKIE FISHER, STUDY ABROAD ASSISTANT



Jackie is originally from southern New Jersey. She has an undergraduate degrees in German and International Studies from Susquehanna University. She currently is a graduate student in Student Affairs in Higher Education at IUP. Her studies in Spanish, Latin, and French gave her a love for language. In high school, her study tours to Los Angeles, Ireland, and Europe also initiated her interest in travel and other cultures. Jackie studied in Freiburg Breisgau, Germany which also further enhanced her love for international education and travel.

AMANDA HEINBAUGH, STUDY ABROAD SUPPORT



Amanda is originally from South Carolina, but spent her preschool and kindergarten years in Aviano, Italy while her father served in the Air Force; she eventually settled in the Pittsburgh area. In 2011, Amanda acquired her B.A. in Criminal Justice from Point Park University and is currently a graduate student at IUP in the Public Affairs program. She plans on continuing her education with a Masters in Criminology and eventually a PhD. She hopes to one day return to Europe and backpack through several countries.

INTERNATIONAL WORK OPPORTUNITIES

International School Services	www.iss.edu
Fulbright Programs	www.iie.org/en/Fulbright/
NAFSA	www.nafsa.org
TESOL	www.tesol.org
U.S. Department of State	www.state.gov
Overseas Jobs Express	www.overseasjobs.com
Cultural Vistas (formerly AIPT)	www.culturalvistas.org
Transitions Abroad	www.transitionsabroad.com
Dave's ESL Café	www.eslcafe.com
Japan Exchange & Teaching	www.us.emb-japan.go.jp

INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Habitat for Humanity International www.habitat.org	AFS Intercultural Programs, Inc. www.afs.org
Peace Corps www.peacecorps.org	Volunteer International www.volunteerinternational.org
Project of Action without Borders www.idealists.org	Global Service Corps www.globalservicecorps.org
Volunteer in Africa www.iicd-volunteer.org	Global Volunteers www.globalvolunteers.org