



Welcome from Assistant Provost for International Programs

Greetings from the Office of International Programs. Like many of you, I always find it difficult to believe how fleeting the spring term is. OIP has been extremely busy this spring with record breaking student participation. We not only have more students than ever before participating in education abroad programs but we also have many international students on our campus enjoying the quintessential 49er experience. In fact, in the recent Open Doors report on international exchange, UNC Charlotte ranks number 107 in the country for institutions hosting the greatest number of international students.

In addition to our student activity, we also see a rise in the number of faculty and staff participating in our programs. Whether on campus or abroad, our UNC Charlotte community is certainly rallying together to create and offer innovative and meaningful international experiences for our student body. As you may know, OIP has long committed to our “internationalization at home” efforts as well and we are pleased to see increased and ongoing enthusiasm around the development of such programs that provide access to and opportunities for students who may not otherwise participate in an education abroad program. These programs include: Global Gateways, International Speaker Series, International Coffee Hour, Freshman Seminars, and opportunities in the Mu Chapter of Phi Beta Delta Honor Society.

The OIP team continues their tireless efforts to support and collaborate with our faculty and staff and are always pleased to respond to your interests and ideas. As we approach the summer months and gear up for another dynamic academic year ahead, we hope that you keep OIP in mind as partners to develop opportunities that connect UNC Charlotte to the world. Never hesitate to connect with us to brainstorm and consider opportunities for our students, faculty, and staff.

Joël A. Gallegos

Assistant Provost for International Programs

Faculty Attend Intercultural Conference

In early February, five faculty directors of study abroad programs and three administrators from the Office of International Programs attended the Workshop on Intercultural Skills Enhancement (WISE) in Winston-Salem, NC.



The Office of International Programs’ current strategic plan calls for OIP to “strengthen and enhance UNC Charlotte’s international programming and engagement.” By engaging faculty and staff in activities such as the WISE workshop, OIP endeavors to provide students with deeper intercultural connections to the places they study, thus enriching their experiences abroad and making them more attractive to managers hiring internationally informed and experienced employees in the ever globalizing workforce.

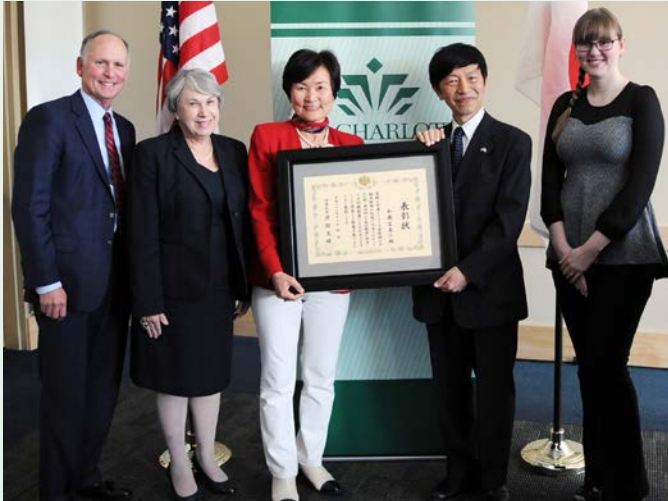
Like many areas of higher education, Education Abroad has changed greatly over the last few decades. It is no longer sufficient simply to take students abroad, show them some sites, and teach them our own curriculum. Programs abroad need to give students a much deeper understanding of the way other people and cultures approach both common and unique challenges. Through incorporating intercultural learning into the strong core curriculum our courses already offer, this goal can be accomplished.

Integrating intercultural learning into already busy itineraries is not an easy task, but one addressed at WISE. Later this semester our faculty attendees will offer seminars on what they learned and how they will incorporate it into their programs and larger internationalization efforts in the classroom. OIP will host more workshops on campus in the coming months to promote this approach to study abroad.

In the fall, Office of Education Abroad and OIP will sponsor a Faculty Learning Community dedicated to this topic through the Center for Teaching and Learning. Participants will work on research based theory, primarily using the book *Student Learning Abroad: What Our Students Are Learning, What They’re Not, and What We Can Do About It* by Michael Vande Berg, R. Michael Paige, and Kris Hemming Lou. This Learning Community will be a basis from which OIP works with faculty to create a strong infrastructure of faculty-led programming abroad that incorporates strong intercultural learning techniques into the curriculum.

To learn more about this topic or to participate in the Faculty Learning Community, contact Brad Sekulich, Director of the Office of Education Abroad, at Sekulich@uncc.edu.

Kato Receives Japanese Foreign Minister's Commendation



On Thursday, February 18, the ceremony to award the Foreign Minister's Commendation in Honor of the 70th Anniversary of the End of the War with the United States of America was held in honor of Dr. Fumie Kato, Associate Professor of Japanese Studies. At the ceremony, Consul General Takashi Shinozuka presented

Professor Kato with commendation and a commemorative gift, while UNC Charlotte Chancellor Dr. Philip L. Dubois extended congratulatory remarks.

Dr. Kato joins a prestigious group as the Commendations are only extended to 28 individuals and 14 groups within the United States of America to celebrate outstanding achievements in the promotion of friendship between Japan and the USA. Dr. Kato is a champion in advancing study abroad opportunities for students studying Japanese. She presently has the highest percentage of semester and year long study abroad students. Additionally, she supports the Office of International Programs with our partner relationships in Japan.

UNC Charlotte is proud to maintain active exchange connections with seven Japanese institutions: Doshisha University, Gakushuin University, Nagoya University of Foreign Studies, Oberlin University, Oita University, Sophia University, and Tohoku University. Details of the Japanese as well as the full 50+ exchange institutions working with UNC Charlotte are available online at <http://oip.uncc.edu/resources/international-partner-links>

2015-2016 International Speaker Series



Matthew Bishop participated in the 8th annual International Speaker Series with a presentation on his work around the global economy and the concept of "Philanthrocapitalism" on December 3, 2015. Bishop provided insight regarding the historical context behind the current global economic challenges and the importance of impact investing and social entrepreneurship in the global economy. In addition to his work with The Economist,

Bishop discussed his two recent works: *The Road from Ruin: How to Renew Capitalism* and *Put America Back on Top and Philanthrocapitalism: How Giving Can Save the World*.

Faculty are encouraged to reserve space to attend future instalments of the International Speaker Series for their classes and/or arrange for an extra-credit sign-in sheet for students. Topics for the lectures range from economics to globalization and foreign policy. Past speakers have included political dignitaries, current or former ambassadors, and prominent scholars in their fields.

The annual International Speaker Series is presented by UNC Charlotte's Atkins Library, the Department of Global, International and Area Studies, the Office of International Programs, and the World Affairs Council of Charlotte. For more information see: <http://oip.uncc.edu/calendar/international-speaker-series>

Ambassador of India to the United States to Visit UNC Charlotte in April



As the final installment of the 2015-2016 International Speaker Series, the Office of International Programs is proud to welcome H.E. Arun K. Singh, Ambassador of India to the United States, on Friday, April 8. Ambassador Singh will share his perspectives about the significant progress that has been made in bilateral cooperation and international partnership between both India and the United States.

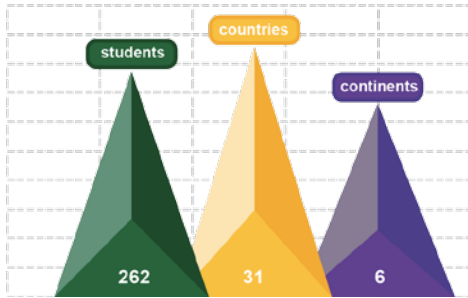
Ambassador Singh was appointed to his current role by the Ministry of External Affairs of India on March 8, 2015. He previously served as Ambassador of India to France and Deputy Chief of Mission at the Embassy at Washington D.C. (2008–2013), Ambassador to Israel (2005-2008), and as Joint Secretary to the Ministry of External Affairs Government of India at New Delhi (2000–2005).

UNC Charlotte is excited to host the Ambassador, especially with its strong ties to India. According to immigration records managed by OIP's International Student and Scholar Office, UNC Charlotte is home to 620 Indian students and approximately 40 Indian faculty and staff. Furthermore, the University enjoys a variety of Indian partnerships.

This special event is a part of the annual International Speaker Series presented by UNC Charlotte's Atkins Library, the Department of Global, International and Area Studies, the Office of International Programs, and the World Affairs Council of Charlotte. RSVPs are requested to be sent to international@uncc.edu.

Friday, April 8, 2016
3:30pm-5:00pm
Atkins Library, Halton Reading Room

Study Abroad Trends at UNC Charlotte



A record number of UNC Charlotte students studied abroad for Spring 2016. A total of 262 students studied in 31 countries on six continents. Niners will be traveling all over the world this term! These students will be experiencing new people and cultures while earning credit towards their degrees. Undergraduates make up 234 of these students with the other 28 being graduate students.

The number of students abroad for Spring 2016 is a 52.3% increase over students studying abroad during Spring 2014 and a 29.1% increase over students studying abroad during Spring 2015.

Participants in the 2016 spring courses come from all seven professional UNC Charlotte colleges. The top three contributing colleges over the past three years are the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the Belk College of Business, and the College of Health and Human Services.

The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences comprises more than 50% of the study abroad participants over the last three years. However, the Belk College of Business has increased its student participation steadily from 19.8% of total study abroad participants in 2014 to 28% of all UNC Charlotte students currently abroad.

Top majors for students studying abroad in Spring 2016 include Communication Studies, Finance, German, Marketing, Political Science, Psychology, and Social Work. Top destinations for 2016 include Berlin, Germany; Tokyo, Japan; London, UK; and Santander, Spain.

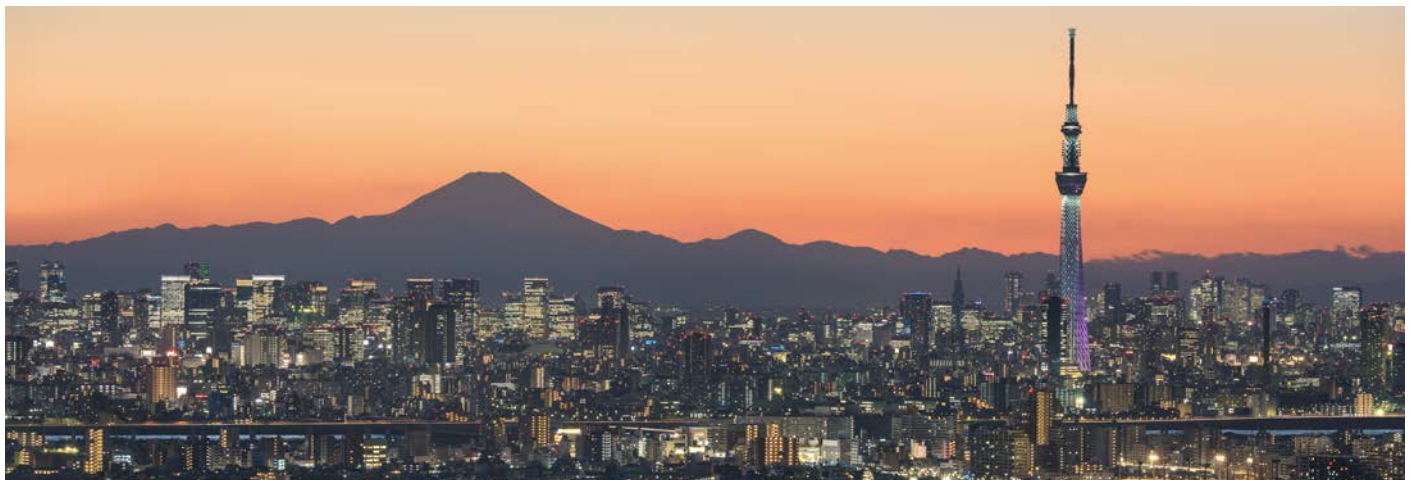
Students interested in studying abroad can find more information at www.edabroad.uncc.edu. Faculty interested in learning more about sending students abroad or leading a program abroad can contact the Office of Education Abroad at 704.687.7747.

Students Visit Tokyo, Japan During Spring Break

Although UNC Charlotte has been sending proportionately large numbers of students to Japan for several years, 2016 is the first year a spring break program ventured to Japan. Dr. Maren Ehlers, a Japanese specialist in UNC Charlotte's Department of History, led 22 students from various majors (including History, Japanese, Spanish, Art, International Studies, Computer Science, and Communication Studies) through a 10-day long program looking at Tokyo's evolution from a Samurai Capital to a modern metropolis.

Students earned three hours of credit in History, Japanese, or International Studies during the 10 day program. Although the bulk of the program focused on Tokyo, day trips to Kamakura and Nikko were offered. Students made on-site presentations to their classmates and learned to read the historical geography of a non-Western city.

Spring break programs offer UNC Charlotte students the chance to have an international experience that offers academic credit, is not too expensive, and fits into the schedules of many working and time-challenged students. These programs often serve as the catalyst to participation in further study abroad programs. UNC Charlotte has seen tremendous growth in spring break programs since 2011, with participation up 472%! Access to these programs helps students better prepare for the global nature of the world in which they will work after graduation and it gives them a better sense of how the global community functions. For more information about study abroad opportunities visit the Office of Education Abroad's website at <http://edabroad.uncc.edu/>.



International Scholar and Faculty Reception

Near the start of each semester the UNC Charlotte community gathers to celebrate the growing community of international visiting scholars. OIP's International Student and Scholar Office (ISSO) hosted the biannual reception where over 40 scholars, host faculty members, department chairs, deans, and other University staff gathered at Harris Alumni Center. Currently, over 95 scholars from 17 countries are advancing research and serving as teaching faculty at UNC Charlotte. The February 9 reception happened to occur within a few days of the Chinese New Year –Year of the Monkey, giving ISSO an opportunity to create an especially festive décor.



2016 Student Writing Contest

The OIP English Language Training Institute (ELTI) Mu chapter of Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars, and the UNC Charlotte International Club will sponsor the annual student writing contest.

The theme for the student writing contest is “*CROSSING BORDERS: How my international experience has affected my view of the world.*” Eligibility criteria includes being a current UNC Charlotte undergraduate, graduate, or ELTI upper level (5, 6, 7) student.

The awards and recognition includes:

- One \$400 cash award in each category (Undergraduate, Graduate, and ELTI)
- Two \$175 honorary mention cash awards in each category
- Recognition at the International Education Reception

The writing contest submission must be an original essay, short story or report based on a student's international experience. The length should be no more than 1000 words, typed and double-spaced.

Submissions are due Monday, March 28 by 5:00pm. For additional information contact Sheryl Meyer at smeyer15@unccl.edu or 704.687.7743.



2015-2016 Program Review: Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars Program Review

UNC Charlotte's Phi Beta Delta (PBD) Mu Chapter was established in 1987 with the aim to recognize scholarly achievement and experience in the areas of international education and scholarship. The society also serves as a means for encouraging interdisciplinary interchange and serves as a catalyst for developing a network among faculty, students and staff involved in international scholarship. As the Chapter is approaching 30 years since its inception, and following the departure of the founding Coordinator, Office of International Programs initiated a program review to determine successes and identify emerging opportunities for the Mu Chapter. As part of the review, questionnaire feedback and open focus group discussions are planned. If you are interested in sharing your feedback regarding PBD, please 2015-2016 is a great year for Mu Chapter program review before the beginning of 2016-2017 academic year. By means of the review process, this Spring 2016 semester, PBD will send out a short survey and conduct a focus group discussion with members to welcome ideas for future program initiatives and opportunities to enhance student engagement with PBD. Please contact Dr. Rachawan Wongtrirat, OIP's Assistant Director for International Education Initiatives and the Chapter Coordinator via email at phibetadelta@unccl.edu. More information about activities and membership opportunities are available online at www.pbd.unccl.edu.



2016 Great Decisions Lectures Series



UNC Charlotte's Office of International Programs once again hosted the annual Great Decisions Charlotte Community Lecture Series on Wednesday evenings throughout January and February at the UNC Charlotte Center City Building. This program is put on in partnership with the World Affairs Council of Charlotte and Charlotte Country Day School.

Based on topics chosen by the Foreign Policy Association, these five weekly presentations provided an opportunity for citizens to explore pressing issues facing our world. OIP was proud to showcase a stellar lineup of UNC Charlotte faculty experts to lead discussions on the critical foreign policy matters put forth by the Foreign Policy Association for 2016.

Over 358 attendees participated in the 2016 series, with new partnerships established with the Magellan Society.

Information on future series, will be available at <http://oip.uncc.edu/community-engagement/great-decisions>.

Wednesday, January 27: "International Migration"

Dr. Sebastian Cobarrubias, Assistant Professor,
Global, International and Area Studies

Wednesday, February 3: "The United Nations Post-2015"

Dr. Cindy Combs, Professor,
Department of Political Science and Public Administration

Wednesday, February 10: "Shifting Alliances in the Middle East"

Dr. Amal Khoury, Assistant Professor,
Department of Global, International and Area Studies

Wednesday, February 17: "The Rise of ISIS"

Dr. Kathryn Johnson, Associate Professor,
Department of Religious Studies and the Charlotte International House Young Professional Association.

Wednesday, February 24: "Cuba and the U.S."

Dr. Greg Weeks, Professor/Chairman,
Department of Political Science and Public Administration

The ITA Program: Growing in Tandem with Graduate Education

In 1989, years before Miss Bonnie rang the bell signaling the first of UNC Charlotte's doctoral programs, the Office of International Program's English Language Training Institute (ELTI) began developing a language testing and instruction system aimed at improving the comprehensibility of international teaching assistants (ITAs – international graduate assistants paid from teaching, not research funds). The ITA program was created with support from then-Provost Dubois and a grant from the Association of International Educators (NAFSA). Compliance tracking for ITAs for whom language assessment is required, consists of "working the list," a common topic of discussion among ITA program staff from campuses across the country. UNC Charlotte's fledgling ITA program tracked the ITAs named on a hand-delivered paper list in the days before email was in widespread use on campus. Subsequently, assessment results were also hand-carried to individual departments. Over the past 27 years, the ITA Program has been honored to participate in the phenomenal evolution of graduate education at UNC Charlotte.

Evidence of how graduate education evolved can be seen in the number of ITAs and departments served by the ITA Program. UNC Charlotte's Institutional Research headcount from Fall 1995 shows that there were 204 international graduate students enrolled on campus. Only 13 of the 204 were in doctoral programs and the majority of masters level international students were in just six departments: Chemistry, MBA, Civil Engineering, Computer Science, Electrical Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering.

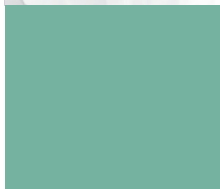
In comparison to the 13 international doctoral students in 1995, there were 154 international doctoral students in Fall 2005. The ITA Program assessed the English language of 52 ITAs in Fall 2005, 45 of whom were PhD students. Participation grew from six departments in 1995 to 15 departments in 2005. Ten years later, in Fall 2015, 1,372 international graduate students were enrolled with 318 in doctoral programs. The ITA program checked language assessment compliance for more than 300 ITAs in 23 departments, and more than 160 ITAs required language assessments (92 ITAs have been assessed so far in Spring 2016.). "Working the list" now means collecting daily updates from Banner and running queries to check for compliance. With 13 international doctoral students in 1995 to 154 in 2005 to 318 in 2015, the ITA program has been monitoring the expansion and adapting to keep pace with the growth of graduate education at UNC Charlotte.

Who UNC Charlotte's ITA Program Serves			
	Fall 1995	Fall 2005	Fall 2015
# International graduate students	204	447	1,372
# International doctoral students	13	154	318
# of UNCC Departments served by the ITA Pgm.	6	15	23
# of ITAs assessed by the ITA Pgm.	24	52	160

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY AT UNC CHARLOTTE



CELEBRATE internationally-minded women on campus
Thursday, March 31
More information at oip.uncc.edu/IWD



The Office of International Programs and Multicultural Resource Center invites members of the UNC Charlotte campus community to celebrate International Women's Day on Thursday, March 31, 2016 from 3:30pm-5:00pm in the Student Union Multipurpose Room, 3rd Floor.

2016 International Festival: Date Announced

The 41st Annual UNC Charlotte International Festival will be held:

Saturday, September 24, 2016
10am-6pm

In and around the Barnhardt Student Activity Center



Save the date and plan on spending a couple hours or the whole day wandering through tents of brightly-colored displays, tasting authentic cuisine from around the world, and enjoying an atmosphere of song, dance, and story.

The UNC Charlotte International Festival website will be updated as timing and other additional details become available: ifest.uncc.edu.

Record of Seven Students Receive a Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

The Gilman Scholarship Program aims to diversify the kinds of students who study and intern abroad and the countries and regions where they go by offering awards to US undergraduates who might otherwise not participate due to financial constraints. Award amounts range from approximately \$3,000 up to \$8,000 per student. Since the inception of the U.S. Department of State's Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program in 2001, nearly 68,000 applications have been received and over 19,000 scholarships have been awarded to students participating in study abroad programs and internships around the world. During the 2014-15 academic year, there were 10,025 applicants. Out of this total, 2,800 students were chosen. With an approximate 30% chance of being chosen as a recipient, this national scholarship is extremely competitive and requires the student to submit a detailed application including a personal statement in addition to a project proposal. This project proposal includes the student's plan to spread the word about study abroad and the Gilman scholarship to prospective students within six months after the student returns from studying abroad.

UNC Charlotte is extremely pleased to announce that out of 21 UNC Charlotte applicants for the Spring 2016 Gilman scholarship, seven students were chosen as recipients. Award amounts ranged from \$4,000 - \$5,000 per student, totaling \$32,500. This signifies a significant increase in UNC Charlotte student applicants and recipients from the previous 2015-16

academic year that included six UNC Charlotte applicants and four recipients, with award amounts ranging from \$3,500 to \$5,000, totaling \$18,500. Contributory to the increase of UNC Charlotte Gilman Award applicants and recipients is the commitment of the Office of Education Abroad (OEA) to effectively target and raise awareness among students who receive Federal Pell Grants. One way this goal was achieved was to offer two workshops specifically marketed to Pell Grant recipients. OEA is excited to report that the workshop enrollment increased from 5-12 students in past semesters to 84 students in the Fall 2015 semester. OEA enthusiastically plans to continue to work closely with prospective students to increase awareness of funding opportunities and create more student diversity within UNC Charlotte's study abroad programs.



Visiting Kingston University

Kingston University London

In early November, staff from the Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL) joined a delegation from UNC Charlotte to Kingston University. Garvey Pyke,

Director, and Heather McCullough, Associate Director, joined College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Dean Nancy Gutierrez, College of Health and Human Services Dean Nancy Fey-Yensan, Assistant Provost for Institutional Research Steve Coppola, and Assistant Provost for International Programs Joël Gallegos, on a three-day visit to the long-standing UNC Charlotte partner institution located just north of London, England.



The CTL had previously welcomed Kingston faculty and administrators on two separate occasions and discussions revealed common interests around topics including supporting the pedagogy of online learning, promoting teaching excellence, and teaching and assessing critical thinking. As a result of this exchange, the CTL is helping to organize a campus symposium on critical thinking next year.

In addition to rich conversations with staff from the Centre for Higher Education for Research and Practice, highlights of this visit included witnessing the continuing expansion of the exchange agreement between UNC Charlotte and Kingston, and attending the University's annual Civic Reception at the historic Rose Theatre where Pyke and McCullough met Kingston's Mayor Councilor Roy Arora. The evening included dance, drama, and singing performances by Kingston students.

UNC Charlotte looks forward to hosting an 11-person delegation visiting from Kingston University April 18-22.



International Career Panel



The Office of International Programs (OIP), in partnership with the World Affairs Council's The Magellan Society (TMS), invites students and young professionals to attend the 2016 International Career Panel on Wednesday, March 23. The event will take place from 6:30pm - 8:00pm at UNC Charlotte's Center City Building.

This annual event is an opportunity for students to network and hear from several early-career professionals about international elements of their careers in a variety of realms including law, business, education, non-profits, and engineering. Andrea Houghton, Program Coordinator for OIP's Office of Intercultural Outreach Programs, will act as a moderator for the event. Career advisors from the UNC Charlotte University Career Center will be on site to provide brief resume reviews directly following the panel discussion. Contact the Office of International Programs at international@uncc.edu or 704.687.7755 for additional information or to RSVP.

2016 Panelists: Chris Turner, SVP, Business Control Manager, Global Corporate Services of Bank of America; James Waters, Attorney, Robinson Bradshaw & Hinson; Sil Ganzo; Founder & Executive Director, ourBRIDGE; Dan Cassar, Gas Turbine Design Engineer, Siemens Energy

Students Visit Karlsruhe Institute of Technology Germany

EPIC works in collaboration with the renowned Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (K.I.T.) of Germany to build a trans-Atlantic energy bridge. K.I.T. is one of the leading engineering research institutions in the world. In partnership with the Charlotte Research Institute of UNC Charlotte, EPIC plays a lead role, linking academic and research initiatives of the two institutions around key energy issues. In Fall 2015, four UNC Charlotte Engineering students participated in a six-week exchange program to research energy solutions. In January, the students were given an opportunity to share and reflect on their experience.



Karlsruher Institut für Technologie

In 2016 four UNC Charlotte students will attend K.I.T. from May - July 2016. Each UNC Charlotte student selected to participate is awarded a \$5,000 scholarship. For more information visit epic.uncc.edu.



Outstanding New Advisor Award

Blair Bocook, International Student and Scholar Advisor was awarded the 2014-2015 Outstanding New Advisor Award by UNC Charlotte Clubs and Organizations for her role as the International Club (I-Club) advisor. Bocook works closely with members of the I-Club to plan

and execute several activities designed to strengthen international student's understanding of U.S. culture. Activities have historically included trips to Washington D.C., New York City, and Orlando, Florida, among other local attraction outings. Through advising the I-Club, Bocook helps further educate the UNC Charlotte's international population about aspects of United States culture.

Students Volunteer with ourBRIDGE



Residents of the Global Gateways (GG) residential program have partnered with the ourBRIDGE Program for an internationally-focused community service opportunity.

The ourBRIDGE Program offers refugee and immigrant students in Charlotte and their families, providing free academic and adjustment support services. Participants in the ourBRIDGE program are taught English while simultaneously celebrating their own diverse cultures.

The GG internationally-focused service committee selected the afterschool ourBRIDGE program for ongoing partnership, and GG residents volunteer once a week.

More information is available at https://www.facebook.com/joinourbridge/info?tab=page_info.

Enriching International Experience at Home

With the close of the Fall 2015 semester, the Global Gateways (GG) program is proud to share a story of ongoing success, promoting engagement, learning, and transition.

Engagement: Over the course of the Fall 2015 semester, the GG residents organized and facilitated 13 internationally related programs that enhanced social engagement, international academic/learning, and community service experience of the residents, while also completing nine volunteer sessions with a total of 432 combined volunteer hours at ourBRIDGE, a non-profit organization providing an afterschool educational program for refugee and immigrant children.

Learning. As the result of international and intercultural learning experiences at the Global Gateways, the residents indicated during the end of the Fall 2015 semester evaluation that living in Global Gateways had enhanced and expanded their international knowledge and intercultural awareness and positive attitudes on others. As Spring 2016 progresses, the students continue to identifying learning opportunities through a variety of programs and collaborations to help foster a global learning environment, adding to their knowledge about cultures and societies around the world while staying on campus.

Transitioning. As one semester comes to a close and another opens, the Global Gateways program continues to transform for a greater future. The program, completing its third year, will be changing locations within Greek Village moving from House #6 to House #9 beginning in Fall 2016. The transition allows the program to strengthen community engagement and intercultural enrichment for 14 female participants.

The Office of International Programs is accepting applications for the Global Gateways Community for the Fall 2016 semesters with a priority deadline of February 29.

Female students interested in living in House #6 over the summer are encouraged to complete the HRL agreement. There are no programming expectations for summer residents. Faculty/staff interested in referring students or exploring programming partnership can contact Dr. Rachawan Wongtrirat, OIP's Assistant Director for International Education Initiatives at globalgateways@unc.edu.



A Glance at the Global Gateways: Spring 2016

Transitioning into a new semester, the Global Gateways program welcomed 8 new female international and domestic residents, counting to host a total of 28 students.

Fast Facts

Country of Origin	Academic Class Standing	College Affiliation
Peru	3 freshmen	College of Liberal Arts & Sciences 21
Nigeria	9 sophmores	Belk College of Business 3
Myanmar	11 juniors	University College (UCOL) 3
South Africa	2 seniors	William States Lee College of Engineering 1
Jamacia	3 exchange students	
South Korea		
Japan		
United States of America		

Connecting to K-12 Educators through Charlotte Country Day School

As community partner in the Great Decisions Lecture Series, Charlotte Country Day School (CCDS) not only promotes the events to the parents of students at the school, but CCDS administration also authorized the lecture series to serve as an approved opportunity for CCDS teachers to earn continuing education units.

Additionally, CCDS often welcomes visitors through the Office of International Programs when relevant curriculum or K-12 administrative issues allow for connections.



Student Opportunities through the World Affairs Council of Charlotte



The World Affairs Council of Charlotte (WACC) serves as a regional center for global education and engagement, and is hosted on the UNC Charlotte campus in The Office of International Programs (OIP). WACC is a strong partner to OIP in several initiatives that enhance the globally-relevant programs OIP facilitates on campus, including opportunities for students and faculty to engage with national and international experts in a variety of fields through the International Speaker Series.

Additionally, the Office of International Programs accepts nominations each fall for a limited number of honorary student memberships to WACC to allow students access to WACC's community programming and networking at a reduced student rate.

Upcoming WACC programs and more information can be found at worldaffairscharlotte.org. For information on the nomination process, please contact international@uncc.edu.

New Team Members Join OIP's English Language Training Institute



Megan Hennings has recently joined The English Language Training Institute (ELTI) as an administrative assistant responsible for working with 100 plus international students studying in the academic English language program. Hennings recently earned her dual Bachelor's degree in political science and Spanish from UNC Charlotte in May 2015.

As a student, Hennings distinguished herself as the recipient both of the Chuck Lynch Leadership Award and Distinguished Leaders Medal in April 2015. She was heavily involved in Model United Nations, Student Alumni Ambassadors, Leadership Fellows, and Student Niner Media. She competed in the Harvard World Model United Nations Conference in Seoul, South Korea, in March 2015.



Carol Floyd joined the English Language Training Institute (ELTI) as a full-time Lecturer in January 2016. Floyd holds a Master's degree in Applied Linguistics from Georgia State University in Atlanta.

Floyd comes to Charlotte from the University of Northern Iowa's Culture and Intensive English Program where she taught English for Academic Purposes (EAP). In addition to her instructor role, she served as the Academic Coordinator for a custom designed winter program for Kyungpook National University (KNU). Floyd developed the program from the ground up, including the curriculum, assessments, placement exam, and course materials.



After serving as an Adjunct Lecturer at the English Language Training Institute (ELTI) in the Fall 2015 semester, the ELTI hired Debra Daise as a full-time Lecturer as of Spring 2016. Daise earned both a BA and MA in Linguistics from the University of Colorado at Boulder. She moved to Charlotte from the Denver metro area of Colorado where she served as an instructor in intensive English programs for over 25 years. In addition, she has held administrative positions as an interim co-director and academic coordinator.

Daise has held offices in both TESOL International and the Colorado affiliate and presented at the both state and national conferences. She has co-authored three English language learning textbooks, taught teacher training courses, and mentored both teachers and students.

ELTI is pleased to welcome Hennings, Floyd, and Daise to the OIP family!

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