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2013 PHOTO ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

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First Place Winner— Tyler Patterson

WU Law Program in Barbados

Summer 2013

An Island Built on Principle (an excerpt)

Whether you choose to study in Barbados or Brazil, learning a different culture will broaden your perspective of the world. Students who study abroad become more knowledgeable in this regard, they are conditioned to face difficult challenges in life and move forward knowing things will work out in the end. It's the Caribbean mantra: "don't worry, be happy."



Barbados coastline on the Caribbean Sea.

Second Place Winner— Emily Juhnke

Semester at Sea

Spring Semester 2013



Emily Juhnke & Arch Bishop Desmond Tutu.

Around the World in 106 Days (an excerpt)

The voyage changed many things about myself, the way I think, and the way I view the world. Although we come from many different cultures and backgrounds, we're all connected. I truly believe that the power to love and the power to listen are two of the most valuable abilities that we have. If these were taken advantage of in more meaningful ways, the world would be a much better place.

Third Place Winner— Monica Voth

Institut Linguistique d'Adenet

Spring Semester 2013

Sharing Cultures in the South of France (an excerpt)

I flew to France to gain language learning experiences I could not have in Kansas and learn to converse fluently in French. I met these goals, but what I did not count on was the many other aspects of my life and self that were changed by my semester abroad. I have a greater appreciation for European cultures and a vastly expanded worldview, but most significantly, I ended my five months in Montpellier attached to a foreign city and culture in more



Carcassonne chateau.

BODS on the Move— Cara (Gatlin) Appleton

Spain, Spring 2005



Cara (Gatlin) Appleton
at Casa Mila.

I am a 2006 Graduate from Washburn and I studied abroad in Santander, Spain during my junior year. It was such a life changing experience that promoting study abroad became my passion. I currently work as a Study Abroad Advisor for the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, sending students to Spain and Latin America. After I graduated from Washburn I lived and worked in both Costa Rica and the Dominican Republic for different non-profits. I moved to North Carolina to enhance my experience in the field of International Higher Education by studying for my masters and taking an internship in a Study Abroad Office. In 2012 I earned my Masters of International Studies from the North Carolina State University with an emphasis in Latin American Political Systems. My passion for international experiences is summed up in a quote by my favorite author Chaim Potok, he writes “You will never truly cross the frontiers of your own culture until you master the language of another”.

Featured Program - “Documenting Art in Malta” — Washburn Art Department

By Marydorsey Wanless, Associate Professor, Art

Twenty-seven Washburn Art Department students, faculty and friends departed on May 14, 2013 for a ten-day trip to the tiny yet very strategic country of Malta. Malta is an independent republic, part of the European Union, and is located just eighty miles south of Sicily in the Mediterranean Sea. Although only 122 square miles, it is one of the most densely populated countries in the world, with over 3000 people per square mile. It has been conquered and ruled by the the Phoenicians, Romans, Arabs, Normans, Aragonese, Habsburg Spain, Knights of St. John, Napoleon and the French, and most recently the British. The students saw traces of all of these civilizations as well as prehistoric temples older than the pyramids of Egypt.

Students were able to visit prehistoric ruins and tombs, see the fortresses build by the Knights of St. John to withstand the invasions of the Turks, watch local craftsmen in their studios, tour the old town of Valletta and the cathedral and see two Caravaggio paintings, take a gondola ride around the Grand Harbor, hang out with fisherman at the quaint harbor of Marsaxlokk, visit catacombs and the medieval hill town of Mdina, spend the day on a wooden sailing schooner and snorkel around Camino Island. Their favorite foods included wonderful seafood, Sicilian Italian pasta dishes, and the local specialty Maltese rabbit. The country was very safe and students enjoyed the nightlife and meeting many international travelers.



Participants of the Malta Program posing for a lasting
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