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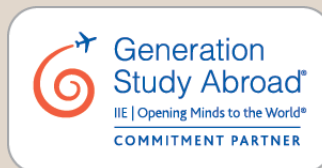
WTAMU JOINS THE INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION'S GENERATION STUDY ABROAD INITIATIVE

WTAMU has joined the Institute of International Education's Generation Study Abroad initiative to help more Americans to gain international experience through study abroad programs. IIE's Generation Study Abroad seeks to mobilize resources and commitments with the goal of doubling the number of U.S. students studying abroad by the end of the decade. WTAMU is committed to increasing its student participation in study abroad by further developing the portfolio of study abroad options to include international internships and service learning opportunities, volunteer programs, short-term faculty-led programs, and research projects, affiliations with providers and reciprocal exchange programs with institutions whose curricular offerings best meet student needs. By the end of academic year 2019-2020, WTAMU commits to increasing student participation from 121 (in AY 2013-2014) to 200.

IIE launched Generation Study Abroad early last year in the belief that the number and proportion of today's students who graduate with an educational experience abroad is far

too low. Currently, fewer than 10 percent of all U.S. college students study abroad at some point in their academic career, according to the [Open Doors Report on International and Educational Exchange](#) published by IIE with support from the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. Generation Study Abroad aims to grow participation in study abroad so that the annual total reported will reach 600,000 by the end of the decade.

"Globalization has changed the way the world works, and employers are increasingly looking for workers who have international skills and expertise," says Dr. Allan Goodman, President of IIE. "Studying abroad must be viewed as an essential component of a college degree and critical to preparing future leaders."



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IMPORTANT DATES:

- **November 16:** Critical Language Scholarship application deadline
- **November 24:** Thanksgiving
- **December 9:** Dead Day
- **December 10-16:** Finals week
- **December 17:** Commencement/Graduation
- **December 25:** Christmas
- **January 1:** New Year
- **January 17:** Spring classes begin
- **January 31:** Study abroad fair spring 2017

"One's destination is never a place but a new way of seeing things"

– Henry Miller

“BUFFS ABROAD” PHOTO CONTEST

This year’s contest has been filled with amazing photos that show us just how much our students have travelled, learned, enjoyed and experienced in all regions of the world. Winners this year were chosen by faculty, staff, students and the general community and we would like to thank everyone who participated in the contest and congratulate all our winners!!!

Category: Natural and Urban Landscape



1ST PLACE

*“Beautiful Architecture”
By: Veronica Carillo*

2ND PLACE



*“Buffs on the Moldau”
By: Isannah Gonzales*



3RD PLACE

*“City of Athens”
By: Aby Summers*

Category: People, Culture and Society



1ST PLACE

"Fishing the Amazon"
By: Sahlee Britton

2ND PLACE



"Rainy Day in Osaka"
By: Trang Nguyen

3RD PLACE



"Amigos"
By: Reece Errington

Category: Send me there

1ST PLACE



"Euro Cup at the Eiffel Tower"
By: Stephanie Mendoza



2ND PLACE

"Stairs for Three"
By: Madylin Alford

3RD PLACE



"Florence-Pizzale Michelangelo"
By: Elizabeth Willis

To see all photos submitted for this year's contest, please visit our Facebook page:



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