Life begins at the end of your comfort zone...

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  UH Hilo Abroad
Experiencing the Australian Beauty

By: Tiffany Epping  
Major: Psychology 
James Cook University, Australia

Getting to study abroad was a wonderful opportunity and experience. There were many experiences I enjoyed, so many that it was hard to pick just one to share. The semester went by way too quickly and I got to do so much more than I expected. Despite how fast the semester felt, it was by far one of the best things I have ever done. I felt like I was able grow and learn about myself as a person more in one semester than I possibly have ever.

One of my favorites was travelling up the coast during mid-semester break to Cairns. A big group of my friends and I spent 5 days in Cairns enjoying the strong Northern Queensland sun and beautiful beach and lagoon. In addition to this we took a two hour boat ride out to the Great Barrier Reef. We visited two spots on the reef where we snorkelled and dived and saw the reef and the fish and sharks living there up close and personal. This was probably one of my favorite days in Australia and an experience.

Snorkelling at the Great Barrier Reef

Getting off the boat in Cairns after a long day at the Great Barrier Reef
Down the Coast

By: Ethan Souza

Major: Marine Science

James Cook University, Australia

This past semester I was able to study abroad at James Cook University in Townsville Australia, where I literally had the time of my life. Besides being insanely fun, study abroad allowed me opportunities to explore, learn, and grow as a person. So many different things happened in the short time I was over there and all of them were incredible. The overall experience of study abroad was amazing, and I am grateful to everyone who helped me to have it.

Out of a semester filled with nothing but good experiences its hard to pick just one, but the mid-semester break was a truly memorable experience. I started out on a field trip to Orpheus Island for one of my classes where for three days I did field work, saw gardens of giant clams, and dived on the Great Barrier Reef. After that I and one of the many good friends I made abroad traveled down to Sydney and did everything from Manly Beach to seeing a show in the Sydney Opera House. It was a crazy exhausting week, and every second was epic.
Living My Dream

By: Kirstie Naone  Major: Kinesiology/Communications  University of Stirling, Scotland

As a junior in high school, I knew I wanted to study abroad and explore the world. The University of Hawaii at Hilo’s Center for Global Education and Exchange allowed me to make that dream a reality. Although some of my experiences abroad were not exactly perfect, it was still an educational and an amazing eye opening experience. It is extremely hard to pick just one part that I felt was the most memorable because there are many different things that made this study abroad such an awesome journey. A few highlights were meeting people from all over the world, visiting London with my father, living with a German family in Bavaria for 7 days, riding a horse and attempting to play polo for the first time, dancing at a Scottish Ceilidh, having fajita/cake/movie nights with my flat mates, ice skating at the Christmas market in Edinburgh, Scotland, seeing real snow for the first time in Oslo, Norway, and going on many other mini adventures with my friends. (Continued on page 6)

My four flat mates and I enjoyed inviting friends over. This was the last gathering in our flat.

Doing a cartwheel in London
After classes ended in November, there was a week off of school before final exams started. The free week was probably meant for studying, but as an international student the free week meant more time to travel! My last adventure with my flat mates was to Oslo, Norway for 4 days. Whilst we were there we went on a boat cruise, visited many museums, played in snow and of course studied a bit every day for our upcoming exams. It was a tiny bit nerve wrecking for me because my only final, worth 50% of my grade, was going to take place the next day after I arrived home from Norway and I did not want to miss it. It was also interesting that our flight back home to Scotland was delayed because they had to de-ice the airplane because of the snow. With all that excitement I was still able to make it home in time for my exam and do well on it! Looking back on it, a trip to Norway with my flat mates seemed to have been a proper farewell. I feel very lucky to have been able to live abroad with such amazing people for 3 and a half months. They really made me feel like Scotland was my home away from Hawaii.

Kirstie at a polo lesson for the University of Stirling polo club. She is on a pony named Sulah.

Kirstie and her friend in Oslo, Norway.
A Memorable Journey

By: Laurel Brown  Major: Art  University of Stirling, Scotland

Although there have been a lot of numerous events that have transpired throughout this semester, my most recent trip to Edinburgh was definitely one of the most memorable. I had initially wanted to see ‘The Elephant House’ cafe since that was where J.K. Rowling had wrote *The Sorcerer’s Stone*, and since it was one of my last days in Scotland, a good friend I had made decided to meet up with me. I arrived early and enjoyed a nice walk down Princes street and paid a little visit to Scotland’s national gallery, and despite the gray blanket of clouds that covered most of the city and the brisk breeze that cut through my coat, the weather felt unusually pleasant. I then met up with my friend and we began our trek up to the cafe, and when we came across it I got very excited. I’m a big Harry Potter fan and the cafe itself gave off such a nice atmosphere. It was casual and served great food, and I highly recommend it to anyone coming to Scotland.

When my friend and I were done with our meal and ready to set off, the temperature had dropped significantly and the clouds had slowly begun to part. The setting sun and sky was absolutely beautiful, and it was wonderful to see the city’s Christmas lights twinkling against the trees and buildings. It really was a sight to behold, despite how cold it was! Thinking back on it now I realize that this probably wasn’t the most exciting thing that happened during my time in Scotland, but it was very special to me. I really felt like I was walking through a new but increasingly familiar world, and the company of my friend made me feel totally welcome amongst the crowds of people streaming through the streets. I was sad to leave, but now I am more than ready to return.
My name is Josh Tarbox and I am a senior at UHH. I had an amazing experience in Brazil and was able to finish my second to the last semester of school at PUC Rio. One of my most memorable experiences in Rio de Janeiro was when we had a week off of school. Some new friends and I rented a car and were able to tour around Brazil like locals. At first I was scared to drive because Rio is such a huge city, but we headed to the country side where we would bounce around in hostels. I met travelers whom I still keep in contact with today.

Our first stop was in Cabos Frios, a small fishing village in the state of Rio de Janeiro. We paid about $15 dollars a person to get a private boat where the captain brought us to the most beautiful beaches! There were warm water penguins skipping through the water and everyone was having the time of their lives. This was definitely one of my favorite memories.

Another amazing adventure was to see the famous Carcovado Jesus. This huge landmark overlooks the entire city of Rio de Janeiro with his back facing the north zone and his arms open to the south zone. I lived about 15 minutes from this masterpiece and was in the Copacabana area where I stayed with such a nice host family. This was such an awesome sight to see and will forever be in my heart.
From August to December 2013, I studied abroad at PUC-Rio in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Being in Brazil was an amazing experience to say the least, but I also ended up learning a lot about Brazil, its people, and myself. Not only was I able to study at a prestigious private university, but I also was able to explore some of the most beautiful parts of Brazil.

One of these places was Ilha Grande, which means “Big Island” in Portuguese. Ilha Grande is located off the southern coast of Brazil and is known to be a key ecological conservation in the area. After a few days of exploring the island, my friends and I decided to explore the waters surrounding the island. We rented a boat and headed out to a pristine bay where we were able to snorkel and see all kinds of marine animals. Later, our driver dropped us off for a hike to a remote waterfall. Those experiences were truly some of the most memorable of my entire study abroad experience. Although most of my time in Brazil was spent in the cityscape of Rio de Janeiro, Ilha Grande and other places reminded me about the natural beauty that Brazil possesses.
My Unforgettable Experience

By: Carrie Soo Hoo  
Major: Marine Science  
Semester at Sea

This past spring semester, I had the fortunate opportunity to participate in the Semester at Sea program where we study on a university ship that travels to twelve different countries. Life on the ship was busy, exciting, and constantly changing. We were never in the same place at the same time in respect to both space and time. As we circumnavigated the world, we moved across an organic latitude line around the globe passing different time zones, waters, continents, countries, and cultures.

My most memorable moments lie in the time I spent and the conversations I had with the people I met throughout my travels. In Burma, while my friend and I ate a restaurant, we met a university student who worked there. We met some of his family. We played guitar and talked for hours. We ended up returning to the restaurant every day we were there. At first, our conversations focused on the cultural differences between our two countries, but after a while, we talked to each other as friends. The memory will always stay with me.  
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Through my study abroad experience, I realized the impact travel can have on an individual. It helped me to value both the differences that make us unique and the commonalities which unite us. People often say that study abroad is a life changing experience. I don’t think I can verbalize the ways I have changed and grown from this experience. I think I will continue to learn from this experience for the rest of my life.
The Center for Global Education and Exchange is excited about the cohort of students studying abroad this semester. For many, it is the first time out of the US, and for others, even the first time out of the State of Hawai‘i!

There are yearlong, semester and short-term programs. Many students participate in an exchange program where they pay UH Hilo tuition to study abroad. There are numerous possibilities. Stop by PB9, Room 6 and meet with an advisor to learn about the opportunities to study abroad.

Warmest aloha,
Carolina Lam
Director of Global Education

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Students Currently Abroad

University Of Stirling, Scotland
Laurel Brown
Mason Agor

Rikkyo University, Japan
Robert Huelskamp

University of Ryukyus, Japan
Chelsie Wung
Sean Okimoto

Hanyang University, Korea
Eleanor Brown

James Cook University, Australia
Ethan Souza

Semester at Sea
James Francis
Kyle Davis

University of Waikato, New Zealand
Jimmee Silva-Naone
Brandi U‘i

GLOBAL VULCANS
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Carolina Lam
Director of Global Education
The Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship Program was established by the International Academic Opportunity Act of 2000. This scholarship provides awards for U.S. undergraduate students who are receiving Federal Pell Grant funding at a two-year or four-year college or university to participate in study abroad programs worldwide. The Gilman Scholarship Program accepts applications two times per year. Ideally, students should begin their application one full semester before their study abroad program is scheduled to begin. The program aims to diversify the kinds of students who study abroad and the countries and regions where they go by supporting undergraduates who might otherwise not participate due to financial constraints. The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the U.S. Department of State sponsor the Gilman Scholarship Program. The Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs fosters mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries to promote friendly, sympathetic, and peaceful relations. The Gilman Scholarship Program is open to U.S. citizen undergraduate students who are planning to study abroad. The program aims to diversify the kinds of students who study abroad and the countries and regions where they go by supporting undergraduates who might otherwise not participate due to financial constraints.

Scholarships

Gertrude E. McVickar Endowed Excellence Scholarship
The UH-Hilo Gertrude E. McVickar Scholarship is an endowed scholarship in memory of a woman who believed that an opportunity to be transplanted into an unfamiliar country and culture would lead to a more tolerant and peaceful world. She also believed that all students should be encouraged to participate in international exchange programs. Recipients must be full-time undergraduate students with a declared major and acceptance into a study abroad program of at least one semester, as pre-approved by the UH Director of Global Education.

Eligibility Requirements:
» Full-time and classified undergraduate students with a declared major
» Must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above
» Duration of exchange must be at least one semester to a pre-approved program by the Director of Global Education
» Scholarship recipient must return to UH Hilo upon completion of the study abroad program for more information contact CGEE office

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Audrey S. Furukawa
Study Abroad Scholarship

The Audrey S. Furukawa Study Abroad Scholarship will enable eligible students to begin their global education journey, open infinite doors of opportunity and to promote world peace. As a life long resident of Hilo, Audrey S. Furukawa values the opportunity to give back. With the support from her family and friends, Mrs. Furukawa has established a scholarship which will enable students to study abroad & explore the endless horizon.

Ms. Furukawa spent over 30 years as a faculty member and administrator at the University of Hawaii at Hilo. She retired in 2008 from dual positions as Executive Assistant to the Chancellor, and Director of the Center for global education and exchange, which she established in 2005.

Eligibility Requirements:
» Applicant must be enrolled as a full time classified student at the University of Hawaii at Hilo.
» Applicant must have 24 University of Hawaii at Hilo Credits at the time of departure
» Applicant must show academic merit as demonstrated with a minimum 3.2 GPA
» Applicant will study abroad for at least one semester.
» The applicant must not have studied, traveled or lived abroad for more than one month.
» The selected student must return to UH Hilo upon completion of the study abroad program.

Semester at Sea Scholarship

The University of Hawaii at Hilo Semester at Sea Scholarship Program is a cooperative partnership between the University of Hawaii at Hilo and the Institute for Shipboard Education (ISE). This Scholarship will cover 60% of the total program fee for an economy priced cabin (price varies by semester); The University of Hawaii at Hilo Financial Aid Office will assist students with financial aid options to cover the remaining 40% of the program cost.

Eligibility Requirements
» Student must have a 3.0 University of Hawaii at Hilo Cumulative GPA
» Student must be a classified full-time student the semester before they go abroad.
» Student must have completed 24 University of Hawaii at Hilo credits prior to intended study abroad term.
» Student must return to the University of Hawaii at Hilo after the Semester at Sea voyage for at least one semester at UHH in or to complete community service requirements.
Scholarship Recipients
Spring 2014 Semester

Gilman Scholarship Recipient:
Jimmee Makamae Silva-Naone
University of Hawaii at Hilo sophomore Jimmee Makamae Silva-Naone received a Spring 2014 Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship to study abroad. Silva-Naone was awarded $3,000 to continue her second semester at the University of Waikato in Hamilton, New Zealand. A Hawaiian studies and anthropology major, Silva-Naone looks forward to learning how Maori youth view their presence in a growing Western society. Upon her return, she hopes to share how young Maori balance their role in society with cultural preservation. The scholarship also helps to promote multicultural fluency through exchange opportunities, which is a key objective of the UH-Hilo Strategic Plan.

Semester at Sea Scholarship Recipient:
Kyle Davis
A student in the University of Hawaii at Hilo College of Agriculture, Forestry and Natural Resource Management, Kyle Davis, has received a Semester at Sea scholarship for the spring 2014 voyage. Davis will visit 16 cities and 12 countries around the world during his voyage. Those countries include: Japan, China, Vietnam, Singapore, Burma, India, Mauritius, South Africa, Ghana, Morocco and the United Kingdom.

Congratulations Kyle and Makamae!
Summer Programs

Seoul Women’s University
The programs offered in the Seoul Woman’s Summer School are designed to help participants gain a broader perspective in areas including history, culture, and communication, to name a few. To help your studies at Seoul Woman’s and your life in Korea pass as eventfully and comfortably as possible, the Office of international Cooperation is here to provide you with any assistance you need. Renowned educators invited from prominent institutions abroad and from Seoul Women’s University teach all courses in English. HISS offers a wide range of courses including Korean Studies, Humanities, Business, Economics, International Relations, Media & Communication, Design, Science, Engineering, Sports and Korean Language.

Program Fee: Tuition & room fees are waived
Credits: Three credits
Length: Four weeks
Program Date: Early July– End of July 21

Hanyang International Summer School
The programs offered in the Hanyang Summer School are designed to help participants gain a broader perspective in areas including history, culture, and communication, to name a few. To help your studies at Hanyang and your life in Korea pass as eventfully and comfortably as possible, the Office of international Cooperation is here to provide you with any assistance you need. Renowned educators invited from prominent institutions abroad and from Hanyang University teach all courses in English. HISS offers a wide range of courses including Korean Studies, Humanities, Business, Economics, International Relations, Media & Communication, Design, Science, Engineering, Sports and Korean Language.

Program Fee: Tuition & room fees are waived
Credits: Three credits
Length: Four weeks
Program Date: Early July– End of July 21

Chung Ang University
The programs offered in the Chung Ang Summer School are designed to help participants gain a broader perspective in areas including history, culture, and communication, to name a few. To help your studies at Chung Ang and your life in Korea pass as eventfully and comfortably as possible, the Office of international Cooperation is here to provide you with any assistance you need. Renowned educators invited from prominent institutions abroad and from Chung Ang University teach all courses in English. HISS offers a wide range of courses including Korean Studies, Humanities, Business, International Relations, Media & Communication, and Korean Language.

Program Fee: Tuition & room fees are waived
Credits: Three credits
Length: Four weeks
Program Date: Late June – End of July 21

Korea University: International Summer Program
The Office of International Affairs at KU offers an International Summer Campus program. The program offers Over 110 fascinating and challenging courses taught by distinguished faculty from prestigious universities from around the world, transferable credit. Courses covering a wide range of subjects pertaining to international issues, with a particular emphasis on the East Asian region, including its history, culture, society, politics, economics, law, business management, science and art/design. In addition students will take part in Korean cultural workshops, field trips, and special lecture conducted by notable experts.

Program Fee: $3,184
Credits: Maximum of nine credits
Length: Six weeks
Program Date: July 2– August 9

Summer Program Application Deadline: March 1st

*NOTE: Students can attend summer programs anywhere, but here is a list of summer programs through our partner institutions.
ESSCA:

Shanghai Summer Program

Shanghai summer program is taught entirely in English and it offers an excellent introduction to contemporary China and to the essential aspects of doing business there. It also provides a first hand initiation into the essential aspects of doing business in China and its interaction with other important regions in the world. Participants will have the opportunity to gain academic credit and experience of Chinese culture through a variety of courses and activities. Based in China’s booming economic capital, Shanghai, the program is open to business students. A limited number of places for exchange students is offered. This program is open for both undergraduate and graduate students.

Program Fee: Tuition is waived  Credits: Six credits  Length: Five weeks  Program Date June 17 to July 26

ESSCA: Paris Summer Program

The Paris Summer Program by way of our partner institute ESSCA offers a mixture of international business and marketing themes in one of the world’s most vibrant cities. Combining course instruction, corporate visits and cultural activities, the course is open to undergraduate students from anywhere in the world and successful participants are awarded ECTS credits. Business topics include international strategy, internationalization, cross-cultural communication and negotiation. On the marketing side, some of the themes covered are consumer behavior, international marketing, current segmentation and positioning, and all from a very European point of view. Visits to French and international corporations in and around Paris will round out the academic aspects of the course. Cultural events also on offer include a trip to Versailles, guided visits to Montmartre, the old Marais and historic Père Lachaise cemetery.

Program Fee: $1,925.30  Credits: Three credits  Length: Four weeks  Program Date: June 25–July 18

ESSCA:

Angers Summer Program

This summer program is also offered through ESSCA. The Angers Summer Program begins with three weeks in the beautiful Loire valley city of Angers, then moves to Brussels for several days, with the final week in Paris. It is a perfect opportunity to be part of a multi-cultural student group, learn about Europe and gain credit! The program is open to both undergraduate and graduate students. It is specially designed for students of business and management, political sciences and international relations but applications submitted by students from other disciplines may also be considered. The program is taught entirely in English, non-native speaker applicants should therefore be sure to communicate in English without problems.

Program Fee: $2,952.12  Credits: Three–Six credits  Length: Four weeks  Program Date: June 12–July 11

ESSCA:

Seinan Gakuin University:

Summer Intensive Japanese Language Program

The four-week Summer Intensive Japanese Program accepts up to 40 students each year at the Refresher (beginning II), Pre-intermediate, or Intermediate and Advanced levels of Japanese. Lecturers are all highly experienced in Japanese language education, both in our yearlong exchange programs and at other universities both here and abroad. The incoming students are from partner and non-partner institutions from around the world, making for a richly international learning environment in which to experience many other cultures and to learn more about the world, in and through the Japanese language.

Program Fee: $1,600  Credits: Six credits  Length: Four weeks  Program Date: Late June—Late July
The University of Hawai‘i at Hilo and the Institute for Shipboard Education (ISE) are marking this year’s 50th anniversary of the popular Semester at Sea (SAS) program by extending their scholarship agreement. A renewal agreement was signed on Friday, January 17 by ISE/SAS Vice President Michael Zoll and UH Hilo Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Matthew Platz aboard the MV Explorer during a visit to Hilo. Under the open-ended agreement, UH Hilo and ISE plan to award a total of 6 scholarships each year.

Since 2009, 21 UH Hilo students have benefited from the program.
2013-2014 Scholarship Celebration
Thursday, April 3, 2014

On April 3rd, recipients and donors were brought together during UH Hilo’s annual scholarship celebration. Study abroad scholarship donor, Audrey Furukawa, was a speaker at the event. Global Vulcans alumni, Kirstie Naone and Ron O’Brien were also able to meet their scholarship donors Audrey Furukawa and the McVickers. Kirstie Naone was the 2013-2014 recipient of the Audrey Furukawa Study Abroad Scholarship. Ron O’Brien was the 2012-2013 recipient of the Gertrude E. McVickar Endowed Excellence Scholarship. It was a great night for all.

Promoting UH Hilo Abroad

Gilman Scholarship recipient, Makamae Naone and her friend, promote the University of Hawaii at Hilo to students at the University of Waikato in New Zealand.
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Deadlines
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October 1st

Spring Term &
Summer March 1st

Applications are due 1 year prior to intended study abroad term

Congratulations to our graduating CGEE Staff!
Kadian
Lehua
Pele

Shark cage diving in Shark Alley, South Africa

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