



# The International Educator

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## UW-Eau Claire study abroad information for advisers, faculty, and staff

### Student Receives Two National Scholarships

Helen Glover, a history major and Japanese minor, was awarded a \$7000 Freeman-Asia scholarship and a \$5000 Benjamin Gilman scholarship to study in Japan. She will spend the 2008-2009 academic year on exchange to Kansai Gaidai University, where she will study Japanese language and take additional courses in Asian studies. The Freeman-Asia is designed to support undergraduates with demonstrated financial need for study in East or Southeast Asia. You can read more about it at: [http://www.iie.org/programs/Freeman-ASIA/p\\_overview.shtml](http://www.iie.org/programs/Freeman-ASIA/p_overview.shtml). The Gilman, a Congressionally funded program, supports students who have been traditionally under-represented in study abroad. Find out more at <http://www.iie.org/programs/gilman/index.html>. Both scholarships are administered by the Institute of International Education (IIE).



**Paula Meyer (front left) with an English class she taught while in Thailand. Paula, a UW-Eau Claire Religious Studies major, studied at Payap University in Chiang Mai, Thailand during fall 2007.**

### More Advising Pages completed and updated

Thanks to the work of the respective department chairs in evaluating dozens of course descriptions from our partner universities, we have now completed the Accounting & Finance, Geology and Physics departments' study abroad major advising pages. Management and Marketing and Political Science have updated major advising pages. Thanks to those departments that revised their pages during the past year. We are moving from paper copies to on-line pages only. This way the most up-to-date information is available for everyone. You can see all the pages on our Web site at: <http://www.uwec.edu/CIE/sac/program/advisingsheets.htm>.

We are currently working on additional advising pages. If your department would like to be involved, contact the CIE at [studyabroad@uwec.edu](mailto:studyabroad@uwec.edu).

### Two Students Awarded Fulbrights

Two 2007-2008 graduates have won **U.S. Student Fulbright** grants for the 2008-2009 academic year. James Hahn, a Spanish and mathematics education double-major, was awarded a Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship to Spain. Sarah Janes, a Latin American Studies major, will study the impact of male migration on women in home communities in the Mexican state of Veracruz on a Fulbright U.S. Student Grant. Details of the U.S. Student Fulbright Program can be found at <http://us.fulbrightonline.org/home.html>.

## Study Abroad Brochures

Welcome back! In the next week we will be sending each of you our general study abroad brochure. The general brochure has information on all of our programs. Individual program brochures are also available.

If you would like to receive any additional information, please e-mail:

[studyabroad@uwec.edu](mailto:studyabroad@uwec.edu).

## New CIE Web Site

The CIE unveiled its new Web site in July. The new site should be more user-friendly and has enabled us to put more information for students and faculty on our pages.

The new site has also allowed us to make the move towards a more "paperless" office. Students can now only access study abroad applications on-line in a writeable PDF form. We will not keep blank copies of the applications in our office or hand them out at promotional events. We will also be sending acceptance packets over email & have program forms available on our Web site.

We look forward to your feedback as we make these changes.



## Study Abroad Information Sessions

At the beginning of fall semester we hold Study Abroad Information Sessions where students can learn about the whole Study Abroad process. Please refer interested students to these upcoming sessions which are all at 4pm.

September 11, Alumni Room

September 17, Alumni Room

September 23, Alumni Room

## Study Abroad Spotlights

Another way students learn about the programs we offer at UW-Eau Claire is at the Study Abroad Spotlights.

We hold Spotlights to highlight programs in a specific region. The Spotlights are panel discussions with past student participants and provide more in-depth information on specific programs than the general information sessions do.

This fall's schedule is:

### Arrowhead Room

October 15- UK/Ireland, 4-5pm

October 16-Asia/Australia, 4-5pm

### Eagle Room

October 23-Summer Programs, 4-5pm

October 24-Spanish Speaking, \*5-6pm\*

October 25-Continental Europe (except Spain), 4-5pm

## International Classroom Speakers

Each semester past participants of study abroad programs become part of our International Classroom (IC) speaker program. During a two-hour training, speakers prepare a 10-minute presentation about study abroad. International Classroom Speakers talk about the program they were on, as well as study abroad in general.

We would be happy arrange for a speaker to come to your class in September or October. Just e-mail [studyabroad@uwec.edu](mailto:studyabroad@uwec.edu) by September 8 with: your name, the name of your class, the days it meets (or a specific date, if you have one in mind), time, location, and number of students in the class. A speaker will then contact you to confirm the details. The IC speakers are also available to talk to campus organizations or to residence hall wing meetings.

Because IC speakers also contact faculty directly to request speaking times, you may get requests to speak in your class even if you do not send an e-mail!



**Spencer Eklund, a UW-Eau Claire management major, studied in Glasgow, Scotland in spring 2008.**

## Study Abroad Fair

Our Study Abroad Fair is held each fall and is a great way for students (and faculty) to learn more about the programs we offer.

The Fair is set up with tables in the Council Fire Room, Davies Center. Each table represents one of our sites. Past participants, and often faculty who have participated on programs, are at the tables to answer questions and share pictures.

We will have **partners** at this year's Fair from Lismore & Perth/Australia, Costa Rica & Nicaragua, Hessen/Germany; Global Student Teaching; Harlaxton/England; ISEP-Direct; Pau/France; Thessaloniki/Greece; Limerick/Ireland; Nagasaki/Japan, Study in Scotland, Valladolid/Spain.

It pays for students to attend: we will be **raffling study abroad application fee**

**waivers** every 15 minutes.

This year the **Fair will be on Wednesday, October 8 from 3-5:30pm in the Council Fire Room, Davies Center.**

We encourage you and your students to attend!