



# The International Educator

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

### Premiere Issue

We are pleased to present the first issue of The International Educator. You will receive this newsletter four times a year to update you on study abroad news. It will also give you advising tips for helping students interested in studying abroad, as well as resources you can use. We welcome your feedback on the newsletter, or suggestions of other information that would be helpful for you.

Study abroad participation is increasing steadily each year, and we hope to see continued growth. Your support will play a significant role in helping more students learn about the study abroad opportunities available at UW-Eau Claire.

We look forward to working with you this year.

### 20 of our 25 programs have no language requirement

We are proud to offer 25 study abroad programs. Of the 25 programs, 20 of them do not have language requirements.

Obviously there is no language requirement to study

### Study Abroad Advising Materials

Students often tell us that faculty encouragement is a key factor in their decision to go abroad. Regular classroom announcements about study abroad options, particularly in the first half of the semester, have good results.

We will be sending additional materials to help you when talking with students interested in studying abroad. Please let us know if you would like more copies.

A useful handout for students considering studying abroad is titled "First Steps to Study Abroad". This handout answers many of the initial questions students have.

We have a general brochure which highlights all of our study abroad programs. We also have individual program brochures which give more detail on each of the programs UW-Eau Claire offers.

Our website ([www.uwec.edu/cie](http://www.uwec.edu/cie)) also contains this information, as well as information on scholarships and financial aid.

*"As a biology major with a Latin American Studies minor, studying abroad in Costa Rica allowed me to experience the best of both worlds. In the classroom we learned about Latin America, and in the rainforest we experienced Costa Rica's biodiversity firsthand." -Kate Buchman*

in Australia, Ireland, South Africa or the United Kingdom.

Did you know we also offer programs in Costa Rica, Denmark, Germany, Japan, Latvia, Mexico, Sweden, and

Thailand that do not require previous knowledge of the language? In some cases, students take intensive language study along with courses in English. In other programs, the students take all coursework in English.

## Meet the Study Abroad Staff

**Susan Lochner** joined the Study Abroad staff in April 2002. She is currently finishing her Master's degree in Comparative International Development Education at the University of Minnesota. Susan is a Spanish speaker and coordinates the programs in: Australia, Costa Rica, Denmark, Mexico, South Africa, Spain, and Sweden.

**Cheryl Lochner-Wright** has been on the Study Abroad staff since 1994. Her M.A. is in Counseling and Student Personnel Psychology from the University of Minnesota. Cheryl speaks German and works with Austria, France, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Latvia, Thailand, and the UK.

**Colleen Marchwick** is the newest member on the Study Abroad side. She will start September 1. Her Master's is in Linguistics (with a specialization in ESL) from Ohio University-Athens. Colleen is a French speaker.

**Karen Rothbauer** joined the team in 1998. She provides the logistical support for all programs, and has done site visits to several of the programs in the UK.



## International Classroom Speakers

Each semester past participants of study abroad programs become part of our International Classroom 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 to help arrange a speaker to come to your class. The IC speakers are also available to talk to campus organizations or to residence hall wing meetings.

If you would be interested in having an IC speaker come to your classroom, please email: [studyabroad@uwec.edu](mailto:studyabroad@uwec.edu).



**Krista Brown, a UW-Eau Claire Marketing major, studied at Kansai Gaidai University, Japan.**

## Study Abroad Information Sessions

At the beginning of fall semester we hold Study Abroad Information Sessions for students to learn about the whole Study Abroad process. Please refer interested students to these upcoming sessions which are all held in the Alumni Room at 4pm:

- September 10
- September 11
- September 17
- September 18
- September 24
- September 25

## Study Abroad Fair

Each fall we hold our study abroad fair. The fair is a great way for students (and faculty) to learn more about the programs we offer. This year's theme is "A World-Class Experience".

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 their pictures.

This year the Fair will be on Thursday, October 2 from 3-5pm in the Council

Fire Room, Davies Center.

We encourage you and your students to attend!

### Study Abroad Application Deadlines

We begin accepting applications on September 2, 2003 for 2004-2005 **fall, summer, and yearlong programs**. The application deadlines are:

**November 3** for:  
Lismore/Australia; Winchester/England; Dalkeith/Scotland (semester)

**November 17** for:  
Graz/Austria; Sønderborg/Denmark; Alnwick, Harlaxton, Lancaster, London/England; Marburg & Hessen/Germany; Limerick/Ireland; Kansai Gaidai/Japan; Riga/Latvia; Cuernavaca & ITESM/Mexico; Dalkeith/Scotland (Summer); Växjö/Sweden; Pietermaritzburg/South Africa; Chiang Mai/Thailand

## Study Abroad Spotlights

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

We hold Spotlights to highlight specific programs. The spotlights are panel discussion, and provide more in-depth information.

This fall's schedule is:

**Arrowhead Room:**  
Australia/Japan, Oct. 7 at 4pm

Austria/Denmark/Germany/  
Latvia/Sweden, Oct. 8 at 5pm

England/Ireland, Oct. 9 at 4pm

**Alumni Room:**

Costa Rica/Mexico/Spain,  
Oct. 13 at 4pm.

France/Scotland, Oct. 14 at  
3pm.

Summer programs, Oct. 16  
at 4pm.