Global education: Study Abroad

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Over the years, many Rider students have embraced the thrilling challenge of studying abroad. With destinations around the world including Paris and Besancon, France; Madrid, Spain; Ponce, Puerto Rico and Graz, Austria, students from all academic disciplines have an opportunity to study in a foreign location that best suits their interests and language abilities, according to Dr. Susanna Monseau, Director of the Global Business program at Rider.

To expand the number of destinations for study made available to students, Rider has cross-exchange programs with InterStudy, an organization that provides students with a wide array of destinations for studying abroad, and Butler University’s study abroad program, which has locations in England, Ireland and several other destinations around the globe.

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A third worker in Daly’s, who has made his mark is baker Jason Ratner. “The food you are waiting for [at Daly’s] is much better than what you would find at a high rate of speed when you due to race, ethnicity, gender, political beliefs and many other reasons. If you are willing to experience the host country’s culture, then you should have a positive experience. I actually felt safer abroad than I would have at home where all of the terrorist attacks were occurring,” said Papacharalambos.

Senior Maria Papacharalambos, who studied in Madrid, spoke of some of the fringe benefits of studying abroad. “I had the opportunity to travel to places I never thought possible,” said Papacharalambos. “The experience was eye opening and since I have made friends from all over the world, I have a place to stay almost wherever I travel.”

Sophomore Diyean Makiba, an international student from France, who spent the fall semester studying in Russia offered her own unique perspective.

“As a foreign student, I found studying in a third location to be rewarding, but completely different,” said Makiba. “I wish more students would put aside their fears and see what study abroad can offer firsthand.”

“In the twenty-first century everyone should have some type of international experience,” said Monseau. “As a professor, I can spot a student who has studied abroad by their increased maturity from living on their own. They are forced to examine and challenge their beliefs more than those students who have not studied abroad. Students with this type of experience are more confident and are more attractive to employers, especially enterprises with business in other nations; something that is becoming more common as a direct result of globalization.”

International business professors and other instructors who teach courses in the field of global affairs aim at making this opportunity more accessible to students. Since it is a relatively new program and is still small, there is a good deal of personal attention given to students. While any student may go abroad, most students choose to study abroad during their sophomore or junior year, according to Monseau. Advocates of the program are hoping for it to become better known to students and eventually increase the number of students who study abroad.

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“I think the new look of Daly’s and the effort they are putting in to try and get us what we all want has definitely put Daly’s in a different class than that of the Daly’s I first came to in the Fall of ’99,” said Ranner. “Cooking for thousands of people can’t be easy.”

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international hotels in England, Germany and many cities in the United States.

“At Rider he [Bond] helps train new employees to ensure standards and implement concepts,” said Enhill.

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All information provided by Vickie Weaver, Director of Safety and Security

Thirsty Thursday
At around 10:30 on Thursday, Feb. 6, an anonymous complainant contacted security to report a loud party in progress in Kroner Residence Hall.

Security was allowed access to the residence halls and immediately observed two underage male students in possession of alcohol.

The male suspects were cooperative and were therefore only charged with a violation of the university’s alcohol policy.

Stupid on Saturday
While investigating a disturbance in Hill Residence Hall just before 2:00 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 8, security observed two male students, apparently intoxicated individuals in the main lobby.

One of the individuals, a male visitor, was engaged in a verbal dispute with a male staff member who witnessed him stumble and fall by the doorway.

An intoxicated female student then came to the aid of her guest and informed him who the staff member was. The guest apologized.

After confirming their underage status, security issued the male visitor a letter of Persona Non Grata (PNG) and charged the female student with an alcohol violation.

Quality Shortcut
While on patrol at approximately 1:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 11, security witnessed a vehicle driving on the pedestrian crosswalk between Hill and Daly’s.

The vehicle then stopped in front of Hill after passing an unknown individual on the crosswalk, but soon fled at a high rate of speed when security followed.

The driver, a male student, was charged with reckless endangerment, disorderly conduct and has lost his driving privileges for 30 days.

Reminder From Security:
Please do not prop the doors to residence halls. In addition, be sure to lock dorm room doors if leaving for any length of time.