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The Journey Ahead: Global Learning Programs Are Gaining Speed

Welcome to the 2022-23 academic year! This year we are seeing a return to active engagement in global learning and exchange, with a surge of interest from students eager to explore the world through study abroad and intercultural programming. By this fall, we have relaunched most of our partnership programs and are working with faculty to reintroduce past faculty-led programs and develop new ones around the globe.

Student participation in our programs is increasing. This semester, SUNY Cortland is hosting the largest group of exchange, visiting, and matriculated international students, with 47 students joining 22 returning international students. In total, these students represent 23 countries. At the same time, 40 students studied abroad this summer and 30 students are now abroad.

This included a group of students who traveled to the U.K. with Professors Laura Gathagan, Andrea Harbin, and Geoff Bender to study medieval history and literature on our first relaunched faculty-led trip since January 2020. Professor Ken Cohen also launched our first domestic U.S. study away trip to Hawaii with 23 students, who explored sustainability issues and opportunities related to ecotourism and volunteered with local Hawaiian non-profit organizations. Prof. Donna Videto taught students on SUNY Oswego's Florence Health course, and Prof. Gigi Peterson recently led a group to the University of Potsdam for a workshop on "Engaging with Global Citizenship."

As we continue to ramp up exchanges and collaborative activities with our international partner universities and organizations, we are exploring opportunities for several new partnerships with institutions in Kenya, Turkey, China, South Korea, and Japan, to name a few countries. We will share updates on these new partnerships as they are forged.

We welcome you to visit the International Programs Office if you want to learn more about the global learning opportunities SUNY Cortland offers.



When the International Programs Office received news that selected study abroad programs were able to reopen for spring 2022, the University of Salamanca was one of the two SUNY Cortland programs established to reopen. The reason for this comes down to longevity and trust. The SUNY Cortland-university of Salamanca partnership is one of the oldest in SUNY, with the first student exchange in 1963. To give context, this was when there was no international programs office. Students would learn about study-abroad opportunities through their professors, who would help them prepare for a semester abroad. Now operating under a more formalized application process, students continue to study various disciplines at the University of Salamanca.



There is the opportunity for students to explore the Spanish language by selecting from more than 10 courses across different language levels. That includes introductory courses for true beginners, who are highly encouraged to complete some of their SUNY Cortland language requirements abroad. Studying a language in a country where it is widely spoken, where students will hear the language inside and outside of the classroom, leads to the language becoming more practical for the student and building language skills faster. It is also possible to take courses taught in English at the University of Salamanca. For several years, our students have been able to take up to four to five courses in business each semester, allowing for a balance between Spanish and English language study.



Program Spotlight: University of Salamanca







There are also 10 courses taught in English each semester that are offered by the Global Studies department, including classes in political science, international studies, academic writing, human rights, and more. Students who study in Salamanca live with host families, which provides a window into the culture of Spain. This semester SUNY Cortland is hosting an exchange student from the University of Salamanca. Students interested in studying at the University of Salamanca can contact the International Programs Office or come to a Study Abroad 101 Information Session. The deadline for Spring 2023 applications is October 1. The deadline for Fall 2023 applications is April 1.

We hope you will become the next students to follow in the footsteps of thousands of Cortland students who have studied in Salamanca over the past 60

years!











Australia Student Teaching Program Cancellation







We regretfully announce that SUNY Cortland has suspended the Australia Student Teaching until further notice. The COVID pandemic disrupted the program for three years due to health concerns and Australia's travel restrictions in Australia. During this time, our Australian school partners have had significant staff transitions, and our longtime Queensland-based director, Colin Balfour, has retired after nearly 20 years of administering the program with outstanding leadership. Because this unique student teaching program relies heavily on strong relationships with school partners and a local coordinator, we must identify new collaborators to help rebuild the program. This process could take several years, and so we cannot guarantee if and when we can run the program again. In the meantime, we are exploring other opportunities to develop teacher education-focused study abroad opportunities. We will share more information as these programs are developed in the coming years.

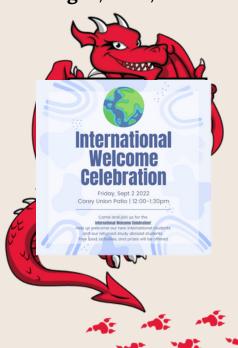


International Welcome Celebration

Friday, Sept 2, 2022 Corey Union Lower Patio noon-1:30 pm



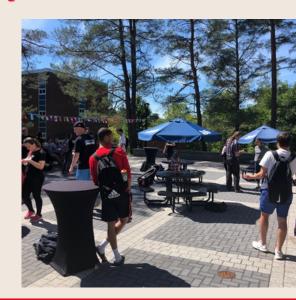
Students joined us for our Fall International Welcome Celebration! We welcomed new International students and returned study abroad students. Attendees socialized and learned more about their options for studying abroad. All students were encouraged to participate in pinning "where they have been and where they would like to travel" on a big map placed outside. The map will be featured in the hallway outside the International Programs Office. The event united students with faculty and staff and had a positive vibe. Complimentary beverages, food, activities, and prizes were offered.









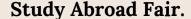








We had representatives and students from India, Salamanca, Spain, Germany, Sweden, London, Ireland, Costa Rica, Ghana, Semester at Sea, and other SUNY campuses. Also, representatives helped students learn about the possibilities of studying abroad for a semester or short-term summer and winter programs. Representatives informed students of potential scholarships in order to help with their studies. A \$500 raffle was held to assist two lucky students with their travel expenses. Students flocked in great numbers and showed enthusiasm at this Fall's















Fall Study Abroad Fair:

Friday September 9, 2022 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. Corey Union



London Metropolitan University's Martina Hamanaka

Do you have difficulty deciding which country you'd like to visit? How about studying in central London? London is an important travel hub to Europe, giving international students access to quick and comfortable travel by train. Students who wish to experience London's vibrant, historical, and interconnected culture can do so at London Metropolitan University. Students were welcomed to the fair

by Martina Hamanaka, Director of Student Recruitment and Business
Development at London Met. With six academic schools or departments, London
Metropolitan University teaches business, marketing, law, and more. With 93
museums and galleries, many West End entertainment parks and gardens are
found in the very green city of London. So, if you are ready to experience the rich
history of London and its one-of-a-kind diverse multicultural university, reach
out to the International Programs Office.











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Alex Contento Provides Information on Study in Portugal

SUNY'S Cortland Admissions Advisor and alum, Alex Contento, joined the Study Abroad Fair to share her experience as a business economics major who participated in the SUNY Cortland's summer entrepreneurship program in Portugal. The program, offered in partnership with the European Innovation Academy (EIA), offers a six-credit summer course and intensive "boot camp" in entrepreneurship, under the supervision of Professor Kathleen Burke in Economics. EIA's programming is aimed at college students and entrepreneurs who want to learn more about all aspects of starting a new business, from the finance side to marketing, public relations, and software development. If you are interested in visiting Portugal and would like more information regarding the EIA program, stop by the International Programs Office, located in Old Main, Room 219, or visit our webpage at cortland.edu/studyabroad.











Contact Us

Attend a "Study Abroad 101" Information session. Offered every Wednesday from 3-4 P.M. in Old Main, Room 220. Come to visit us at our office to learn more. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Study Abroad Spring 2023



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Australia Griffith University



Ireland University College Cork



Costa Rica Universidad Veritas



Spain University of Salamanca



Egypt
American University
in Cairo



United Kingdom Anglia Ruskin University



France University of La Rochelle



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Even more spring study abroad programs are available!

For more information visit the International Programs Office, Old Main 219, or email studyabroad@cortland.edu



