Congratulations to Sabrina Ishrat, Elly Rusia, and Victoria Liss, who returned from AIFS Limerick, Social Entrepreneurship Corps in Guatemala, and International Studies Abroad Costa Rica respectively, on the Gilman Scholarship. The organization awards up to $5,000 to around 2,800 students a year. Interested in the Gilman Scholarship? Go to berry.edu/academics/study/financials/#Outside_scholarships for deadlines & more info.

Elly and Victoria will be presenting about their experiences abroad on Thursday, September 15, 6:30 PM, in Krannert 324! CE credit!

The last academic school year of 2015 to 2016, 161 students studied abroad. Vikings went all around the world from places like Budapest to Australia. From Animal Science to Education, many students were able to find a program that was the right fit for them.
Welcome New Vikings!

This semester Berry College is hosting 4 exchange students from (pictured left) England, France, Colombia and Lithuania. Three of these students are staying for an entire academic year. This picture was taken at breakfast during Viking Venture.

Pictured below is a welcome back activity for some of the students who went abroad this last year. Students had a walk at Victory Lake, followed by s’mores around the fire. Thanks to Amanda, Jordan and Eugenie from Outdoor Rec for their help!

Thanks to Career Center director Sue Tarpley for leading a workshop for returnees on international careers!

Talk with exchange students, returned study abroad students and Berry faculty at the International Opportunities Fair on Thursday, October 20, 10:30AM—1:00PM on Krannert Lawn! Sponsored by Career Center, Bonner Center and IP!
Above: This summer three Berry students attended the Bahrom International Program in South Korea on a near-full scholarship. Junior nursing major Thu Bui, pictured above, attended the program.

Right: Dr. Brian Campbell directed a Short-Term International Program in Belize this summer, offering Sociology/Anthropology and Environmental Studies credits.

Right: Dr. Lindsey Davis taught on the program.

Right: 15 students travelled to Paris this summer with European Council, taking a variety of courses. This is a group photo of the group travelling down the Seine. Dr. Lindsey Davis taught on the program.
Below: Psychology major Sam Hollis-White spent spring semester at University of Limerick through AIFS. One reason she studied abroad is she “saw studying abroad as a terrific way to bring forth and test the leadership skills that I know I had.”

Above: Senior Reed Pagett, French major, had this to say about a semester in Paris: “Living in another city for such an extended period truly is a magical experience. A city that was completely foreign upon arrival quickly becomes your home.”
Dr. Bill Davin, Biology, led a SIP in Roatan, Honduras, where students studied Coral Reef Ecology. Dr. Davin kept a blog of their stay. Check it out at [www.berry.edu/roatan2016/](http://www.berry.edu/roatan2016/).

. . . before we left and also while we were there, terrorist attacks rocked the nation . . . every single one of us conquered the fear and doubt surrounding our decision to study abroad, . . . and I don’t think that anyone in the program could say that they regret that decision. While the fear was still present, I think that it was the greatest experience of my life and the program directors and employees helped to keep us feeling very safe.

- EC Paris participant
Dr. Chris Hall, Biology, travelled to Cuba this summer and plans on directing a Short-Term International Program for One Health & Biology there next year.

Ms. Robin Holt, Student Enterprises, visited entrepreneurship organizations and startups in Israel and Palestine this summer.

Dr. Larry Marvin, History, travelled to Denmark. This is a picture of him in a full scale Viking vessel, on a sailing excursion in Roskilde.
Meet Zahra! Zahra is a current junior Psychology major and a Bonner Scholar. In spring 2016, Zahra studied at LaTrobe University in Melbourne, Australia, through ISEP. She was inspired by her first backpacking trip to Southeast Asia to travel more of the world. Throughout the semester she was there, Zahra also kept a blog.

Memorable Blog Quotes

About her experience volunteering with Pakistani families in Australia: “They taught me that taking the easier route is always preferable, however taking the higher, harder, and more honest route is important. They reminded me that success comes from failures and that rejection and failure is inevitable. Because it is what you do when you fail that shows your true ability.”

“In every corner of the city you can see people from different cultures and communities interacting each day. On campus and in the community there are restaurants and stalls with Thai, Vietnamese, American, Indian, and other cultural foods. This immersion and community is an amazing thing. Not only do these different cultures coexist peacefully, they help and support each other.”

To read more about Zahra’s adventures abroad, go to [https://travelserveimmerse.wordpress.com](https://travelserveimmerse.wordpress.com) or link there from [berry.edu/academics/study](https://berry.edu/academics/study)
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Here are the first steps

Log onto Viking Web and go to the community tab.
Under the department heading, click International Programs.
On the International Programs page fill out the three preliminary forms.
After completing the preliminary forms, call ext. 4065 or email us to set up an appointment. Check out our programs at www.berry.edu/academics/study/

Spring Study Abroad Paperwork Deadline: September 25

On a budget?

Want to study abroad, but think you can’t afford it? Think again! The International Programs office offers scholarships for semester AND summer study abroad programs. Also, there are national scholarships available to students. To find out more information about scholarships available check out:

http://berry.edu/academics/study/financials and How You Can Afford Traveling.

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