

# CIE NEWS

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A Newsletter for the Center for International Education at Rider University

### International Student Highlight: Bethany-May Howard – England



I am a freshman at Rider, and I am from Somerset, England. I arrived in August to start pre-season on the soccer team. So far I'm really enjoying it here, especially having the opportunity to play the sport that I love everyday.

Everybody I've met has been really friendly and I'm getting on really well with my teammates and classmates. Another thing I really like is the small

class sizes because it means that there is more individual support from the teachers and you feel like you're being individually valued.

The things I miss most are my friends and family, but I know that I'll get to see them at Christmas. Having such great friends at Rider has helped me feel less homesick than I thought I would. I would say I miss the food, but we've found an international aisle in Wegman's that sells Cadbury chocolate bars.

Overall, although it's obviously very different to living in England, I'm really enjoying experiencing the USA.

## International Community Upcoming Events

Oct. 17-18 English Language Institute (ELI) Arrival

Oct. 21 ELI Start Date

Nov. 9 Mentor Reunion Philadelphia Trip



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#### **RISA Theme Nights**









Rider International Student Association (RISA) featured Brazil for its second theme night of the semester on October 9 in Centennial Hall. Students enjoyed food and music while celebrating the Brazilian culture.

#### **Upcoming RISA Events:**

Oct. 16 Theme Night: Country TBA

9:45 p.m., Gee Hall

Oct. 29 RISA/ASAR Karaoke Night (18+)

9:45 p.m., Rider Pub

Nov. 6 Theme Night: India

9:45 p.m., Gee Hall

Nov. 8 ASAR Garba Dance Workshop

TBA, TBA

For more information, contact RISA Vice President Colin Payyappilly at payyapillyc@rider.edu.



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### Student Highlight – Diandra Capdeville



Diandra in front of London Bridge

Since I can remember, I have always enjoyed travelling, and once I got to Rider I knew that I wanted to study abroad. I had absolutely no idea where I wanted to study, but fortunately the Center for International Education was extremely helpful in helping me pick the perfect place. Due to its diverse culture and rich history, London became my ideal place to study abroad.

I am studying with the CAPA program, which has enabled me to take

classes and gain hands-on experience in the Public Relations field by allowing me to complete an internship here in London.

Even though I have only been in London for a few weeks, I am falling in love with this beautiful city! I really enjoy the program I am studying with and they have put together many weekend excursions for students to see all of the great sights that London has to offer!

#### **Study Abroad Events**

Oct. 25	Pre-Departure Orientation #2 3 to 5 p.m., Sweigart 115
Nov. 3	Fall Student Teachers Head Abroad
Nov. 5	Edge Hill Info Session 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., NAB 204
Nov. 13	Study Abroad Info Session 4 to 5 p.m., BLC 14

### St. Mary's University College

St. Mary's University College is on a beautiful, safe, self-contained campus near Strawberry Hill, Twickenham, with busy towns nearby and central London only 30 minutes away by train. With just under 4,000 students, it provides a similar feel to Rider's close-knit campus atmosphere. The university boasts excellent athletic training facilities, a student-run radio station and, of course, top-

notch academics. St. Mary's is certain to be one of Rider's top study abroad destinations!



St Mary's University College Twickenham London

#### **Country Highlight - England**



Students interested in studying abroad will find there is plenty to do and see in England.

London provides opportunities for career development through internships. It is home to many

of Europe's top 500 companies.

Home to several famous markets, and voted the number one capital of fashion in 2012, London is the perfect place to shop.

Students can also visit famous tourist attractions, such as Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, The Houses of Parliament and the Tower of London.

With numerous airports, the Channel Tunnel and major railways all over, England offers students the opportunity to explore the U.K and Europe with ease.

#### Top 10 Reasons to Study Abroad in England

- Westminster Abbey
- 2. Monuments like Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, The Houses of Parliament and the Tower of London
- Career development opportunities through internships
- 4. Famous theatre district of the West End
- 5. Shopping galore in a fashion capital
- 6. Thriving nightlife and live music
- 7. Royal parks and open spaces to relax
- 8. Variety of ethnic cuisine
- 9. Easy travel around the U.K. and Europe
- 10. Museums to explore history, art and culture



