



CIE NEWS

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A Newsletter for the Center of International Education at Rider University

Director's Message

CIE Welcomes New Assistant to the Director, Kimberly Cameron



The CIE office welcomes our new Assistant to the Director, Kim Cameron. Kim has years of experience working with domestic and international students. She worked at Kutztown University as a student worker for 2 1/2 years in the study abroad office while attending college. Shortly after graduation, Kim moved to Bangkok, Thailand, to teach English to Thai children. Kim stayed in

Bangkok for 2 years and spent a lot of time exploring the neighboring countries in Southeast Asia. Upon returning to the United States, Kim accepted a job teaching English in Philadelphia at Kaplan International Colleges. She was quickly promoted to International Academic Manager, managing a team of 15 ESL teachers, and the academics for over 200 international students. Kim loves to travel and explore new places and enjoys meeting new people. She also likes trying new ethnic foods! Kim's favorite countries to travel to are Thailand, Greece and India. Welcome Kim!

International Student Features

Reflections from Virginia Egusquiza



Deciding to come to Rider was one of the most important decisions I have ever made. Fortunately, I made the right choice. There isn't a moment where I wish I hadn't come here. I feel so fortunate to have the opportunity to get my education in a different country, and at a distinctive school as Rider University. There are some periods when I struggle because being far from your family gets really tough. However, being a part of the Rider field hockey team has definitely helped me to fight through these hard times. I am incredibly thankful to my family and every person at Rider that has made possible for me to have this great experience. Unfortunately, my time here is coming to an end this May.

Upcoming Events

International Week— October 24-28, 2011

Date	Event	Time	Location
Oct. 24	Hot Topic Series	8 p.m.	Gee Hall
Oct. 25	Global Women's Issues	11:30 a.m.	Daly Dining Hall Mercer Room
Oct. 26	Passport to the World & CIE Photo Contest	3 p.m.	BLC
Nov. 2	Mentor Reunion	TBA	Gee Hall
Nov. 17	Thanksgiving Host Family Matching	TBA	TBA
Nov. 17	Mentor Applications Due to CIE		

Community Corner

News From Gee Hall

- ◆ Do you have ideas for programs or ways to improve Gee? Attend RHA meetings every Tuesday night at 10:15 p.m. in the Gee Lounge.
- ◆ Do you love learning about new cultures and trying new foods? Join RISA every Wednesday night at 9:45 p.m. in the Gee Lounge.
- ◆ Join the Gee Hall Facebook page for upcoming events and announcements about Gee, RISA, and RHA!



A RISA Recipe — Bon Appétit!

Ingredients

4 eggs, lightly beaten
 1 1/3 cups milk
 2 tablespoons butter, melted
 1 cup all-purpose flour
 2 tablespoons white sugar
 1/2 teaspoon salt

Directions

In large bowl, whisk together eggs, milk, melted butter, flour sugar and salt until smooth. Heat a medium-sized skillet or crepe pan over medium heat. Grease pan with a small amount of butter or oil applied with a brush or paper towel. Using a serving spoon or small ladle, spoon about 3 tablespoons crepe batter into hot pan, tilting the pan so that bottom surface is evenly coated. Cook over medium heat, 1 to 2 minutes on a side, or until golden brown. Serve immediately.

Dessert Crêpes





Comings and Goings Reflections on London

Michael Kolisz: Being a political science major, I wanted to study abroad in a multicultural city that had a strong political presence. I studied abroad last spring at the Center for Academic Programs Abroad (CAPA) in London, England. One of my greatest accomplishments was successfully completing an internship with a British organization. As an intern I produced briefings for new UK and EU government policies and grants, attended meetings and conducted policy research. I took on the added challenge of becoming a member



Michael in London at the Royal Wedding

of the CAPA Student Council, serving as a liaison between CAPA faculty and students. For my efforts I was awarded the CAPA Record of Achievement. I also had opportunities to visit the majestic Windsor Castle, museums, the Shakespeare Theater, Stonehenge and Bath (Roman City of Aquae Sulis). A major highlight of my trip was observing the Royal Wedding between Prince William and Kate Middleton at Westminster Abbey. I am thankful to have had this opportunity to study abroad that is sure to leave a lasting impact on my life.

Student Ambassadors



Pictured from L. to R: Aubrey Maks, Tanique Adams, Stephanie Gomez, Maksym Zahvorny, Richard Driscoll, Michael Kolisz. Not pictured: Marisa Fortes, Ryan Wbelan.

Congratulations to our new Study Abroad Ambassadors! Our team of Ambassadors are committed to promoting the value of studying abroad and cross cultural communication. Ambassadors are available to share their personal experiences with the Rider community.

Up-Coming Events

Date	Event	Time	Location
Oct. 28	Study Abroad Orientation	3 p.m.-5 p.m.	Memorial Hall 210
Nov. 16	Study Abroad Information Session	4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.	Daly Dining Hall
Dec. 2	Study Abroad Orientation & Ambassador Recognition	3 p.m.-5 p.m.	Memorial Hall 210



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Perspectives from Abroad

Samantha Matarante: This semester I am studying at Edge Hill University in Ormskirk, England. Although I've only been here for two weeks, it feels like I've been here for much longer. I can already say with confidence that this is the best decision I've ever made. The atmosphere here is so different. I have friends from all over the world, and every day I learn something new from them. One significant difference between the Great Britain and the United States is the learning curriculum. You are expected to be much more independent and responsible. Being here has been both the biggest challenge and the most eye opening learning experience of my lifetime. I am so excited for the rest of these three months to unfold. I strongly suggest that if you've ever had any thoughts to study abroad, just do it—You won't regret it!

Edge Hill University is a new Rider study abroad program. Stop by the CIE for more information.

Charles Cartagena: When I started at Rider I knew the Study Abroad experience was something I wanted to do. I decided to come to Africa to study economic, social, and political issues from a developing country's point of view. I have only been in Accra, Ghana, for about a month and a half, but it has already been a life-changing and incredibly insightful experience. I have been able to visit villages to discuss issues such as extractive industries and human



rights, and volunteer at an orphanage. Each day I am learning from firsthand experiences that go beyond the classroom. I feel this knowledge will be invaluable to my future ambitions of becoming a human rights lawyer. There are many things I miss about the United States, such as hot water, washing machines, reliable electricity and American football, to name a few, but these have been small sacrifices dwarfed by the incredible experience of being in Africa. With another two-and-a-half months ahead of me, I look forward to adding to the already great memories I have formed.