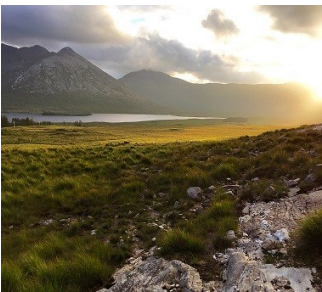


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International Activities

Dr. Deborah Altus (Human Services) gave the keynote address at the triennial conference of the *International Communal Studies Association* this summer.



The conference was held at Tamera Ecovillage, an intentional community in southern Portugal. The conference included participants from Israel, Australia, South Africa, Brazil, Germany, the Philippines, England and more. Conference

workshops and papers included information on Kibbutz trends, pacifist communities, ecovillage design, generational transitions in Camphill communities, and ecological practices for moving conventional communities toward greater sustainability. In addition to attending the conference, Dr. Altus participated in an intensive introductory course given by Tamera Ecovillage which covered the economic, sociocultural, spiritual, educational and ecological practices of the community. Tamera is focused on developing practices to promote a more peaceful, sustainable



society. The ecovillage generates most of its own energy, grows much of its own food to support its vegan diet, educates its

own children, experiments with non-conforming approaches to intimate partner relationships and family configuration, and engages in global peace work. In addition, Tamera conducts research on solar technology, permaculture, water-retention landscape restoration, and other strategies to promote greater sustainability. Dr. Altus is interested in the ways that intentional communities address the aging of community members and approach the

intergenerational transfer of power. This trip furthered her understanding of these topics through first-hand observation of community life at Tamera and direct participation in community activities.

Dr. Bob Beatty (Political Science) gave a series of special lectures at Fukuoka University and Fukuoka Women's College in June on the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election. Beatty also was the faculty leader for the Washburn study abroad program, *Discover Japan with Fukuoka University* in May and June, in which 14 Washburn students studied at Fukuoka University.

Prof. Linda Elrod (Law) attended the *Conference on Culture, Dispute Resolution and the Modernised Family*, sponsored by the International Centre for Family Law, Policy and Practice in association with King's College London July 3-8, 2016. The conference explored numerous topics including same-sex and forced marriage issues; what the increase in cohabitation means for children; cultural issues in custody cases; access to justice for children; surrogacy and adoption issues; rights of grandparents in custody disputes; changing relocation standards; problems using the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction; and the growing movement to mediate and arbitrate family law issues.

Prof. Elrod was a plenary speaker on July 7, 2016. Her topic explored a new way to resolve family law disputes entitled "A New Proposal for a Uniform Law on Family Law Arbitration." The moderator of her panel was the Honourable Chief Justice Diana Bryant AO, Family Court Australia. Her fellow plenary presenters were Professor Patrick Parkinson, School of Law, Sydney, Australia, talking on the "Future of Marriage"; Lisa Young, Associate Professor Murdoch University, Western Australia, calling for "The Need for Certainty in Dividing Property"; and Nicola Taylor, Associate Professor and Director of The Children's Issues Centre, University of Otago, New Zealand, discussing the negative "Impact of New Zealand's 2014 Family Justice Reforms on Children's Welfare and Best Interest."

The Conference drew around 200 judges, scholars, lawyers and court personnel from 45 countries. In addition to the excellent conference programs, there were wonderful social events which included receptions in barristers' chambers and the House of Lords. For speakers, there was a special lunch on July 3rd and a reception on July 5th, in addition to a formal dinner at the Oxford and Cambridge Club the last night. Dr. Elrod learned a lot while renewing some old friendships and making new acquaintances.



Professor Ann Estin, University of Iowa Law School, and Dr. Elrod walking by Big Ben after the reception at the House of Lords.

She found it exhilarating to be with people from around the world who are all trying to improve the legal system's response to families in their countries.

Dr. Rachel Goossen (History) was awarded a 2016 Sweet Sabbatical for a travel and study trip to Vietnam and South Korea. An historian focusing on U.S. twentieth-century history, she regularly teaches courses on the Cold War. Her visit to these countries in May and June focused on memorialization of the Vietnam and Korean Wars, including visits to museums, cemeteries, and historic sites, as well as conversations with family members of soldiers who fought in the Vietnam War (from both north and south); and in the Korean War (from both north and south). She traveled to the former demilitarized zone in Vietnam and the current DMZ at Camp Bonifas along the Korean border. Goossen is also a scholar of Anabaptist history, and she gathered teaching materials on the development and history of Mennonite and Anabaptist centers in these East Asian settings.

On June 3, in Chuncheon, South Korea, Goossen was invited to present an afternoon-long seminar at the Korean Anabaptist Center (KAC), titled "John Howard Yoder's Life and Theology." Theologians, graduate students, church administrators, and book

publishers from Seoul and Chuncheon attended her presentation, which was translated from English into South Korean by KAC's executive director, BockKi Kim.

Goossen's most recent scholarship on the theologian and ethicist Yoder appeared this spring and summer in two Canadian publications, both based in Winnipeg: "Mennonite Bodies, Sexual Ethics: Women Challenge John Howard Yoder" *Journal of Mennonite Studies*, 34 (2016): 247-260; and "Documenting Sexual Abuse: Archival Collections and the Complex Legacy of Theologian John Howard Yoder," *The Mennonite Historian* 42 (March 2016): 2-9.



Dr. Rachel Goossen presenting a seminar in Chuncheon, South Korea, with translator and host BockKi Kim.

Dr. Norma Juma (Business) attended the *International Academy African Business & Development (IAABD) Conference* which was held in Arusha, Tanzania, where she presented two papers. The first paper titled, "Sustainable Entrepreneurship: Positive Change Agents at the Base of the Pyramid (BOP)". Co-authored by Hellen Nyolo Otieno, Strathmore University and Jennifer M. Sequeira, University of Southern Mississippi. The second paper was titled, "Indigenous Leadership from Unlikely Source: Rewriting the Global Entrepreneurship Story by Maasai". Co-authored by Eileen Kwesiga, Bryant University; Joy Olabisi, Rochester Institute of Technology, and Benson Honig, McMaster University.

Dr. Juma was awarded the "2016 Best Reviewer Award for the Journal of African Business" during the 2016 IAABD Conference. She was also

appointed the track chair for Entrepreneurship, Small Business and the Informal Sector.

During her Sweet Sabbatical, Dr. Juma visited entrepreneurs at Bottom of Economic Pyramid (BOP) in Kenya as a follow up of a series of studies she started exploring during her 2014 academic sabbatical. She is scheduled to share some of the stories of entrepreneurs who are shifting the conversation and validating an African Indigenous Knowledge Systems (AIKS).

Dr. Judith Lynne McConnell-Farmer

(Education) published several articles with an international focus, including “Diversity in the Himalayan Mountains: Nepal, a Country of Sharp Contrasts: Geography, Culture, Society and the Education of its Children”, and “Global Guidelines, Initiatives and a Case Study of the Responses of a Select Latin American Country, Peru, in the Provision of Early Childhood Education”. She coordinated the Oxford Round Tables and the *International Round Table Symposium* at Oxford, United Kingdom, on such topics as childhood issues and education, women and education, literature, language, and the arts, and childhood educations, during March and July, 2016. She also directed and led the sixth annual Washburn University *Study Abroad in Belize Program* sponsored by the Department of Education. In addition, Judy made 10 presentations at various international conferences in Oxford, UK and Belize City, Belize. If you are interested in knowing more details about the papers and presentations mentioned above, please email judy.mcconnell-farmer@washburn.edu

Dr. Sangyoub Park (Sociology/Anthropology) spent his 2016 Sweet Sabbatical in South Korea doing research on the leisure activities of Koreans. Part of Dr. Park’s summer research “What’s Behind South Korea’s Shake Shack Fever?” was published on National Public Radio (NPR). Dr. Park also visited Hallym University, a Washburn partner university, to visit with Washburn students who were attending Hallym’s summer program.

Prof. Azyz Sharafy (Art) had a wonderful experience during his 2016 Sweet Sabbatical in



India. Dr. Sharafy co-curated the Artist Residency in Puri, Bhubaneswar with participating artists from different parts of the subcontinent. The Artist Residency went to an artist’s village in Puri, Bhubaneswar and worked with the locals to create sculpture in folk traditional mode as well as palm leaf scratching embedded with locally made black ink.

Prof. Sharafy met with faculty at Symbiosis International University (Pune) to discuss an Artists Residency program between artists and art faculty in Topeka and the Art Department at Washburn University.



Prof. Sharafy’s final destination was at the Artist’s Residency at Chhaap in Vadodara, Gujarat where he visited his alma mater, Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Gujarat, India. There he conducted two workshops (one with ITM Architecture University) and worked with second year students on creative conceptual architecture and with the painting department on multimedia and digital art. These were organized by Chhaap Artist’s Residency. Prof. Sharafy also gave a presentation on his artworks and sandtone technique.



*Students learning sandtoning at M.S. University.
Photo taken by Azyz Sharafy.*

Dean's Report

College of Arts and Sciences

Laura Stephenson, Dean

The College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) saw many of its faculty and students traveling to international locations this spring and summer to share their research with others and pursue new learning opportunities. Students who studied abroad included **Alan Amando** (France), **Christian Kauth** (Germany), **Benjamin Albertson** (Austria) and **Kendall Golder** (Argentina). Faculty member **Georgina Tenny** (Spanish) reprised her educational trip to Salamanca, Spain with ten students to study Spanish this summer.

Our faculty had a chance to present their studies internationally as well. In January, **Linsey Modellmog** (Political Science) presented a research paper in San Juan, Puerto Rico at the *Southern Political Science Association's Annual Meeting*. **Tim Fry** (Education) traveled to Barcelona, Spain this spring to present at the *World Federation Associations of Teacher Education Biennial Meeting*. While in Puebla, Mexico this summer, **Martha Placeres** (Music) shared her talents by guest conducting the Puebla State Conservatory of Music Symphony Orchestra and performing concerts with the Trio Angelopolitano. **Bob Beatty** (Political Science) presented guest lectures at Gakuien University and Fukuoka University in Japan this summer. **Mark Peterson** (Political Science) traveled to London with students **John Shively** and **Jack Van Dam**, to observe the campaign and voting in the British EU Retention Referendum. Peterson also gave a presentation in Canterbury on U.S.-Russian relations. In Asuncion, Paraguay, **Marguerite Perret** (Art) presented a lecture and installed one of her exhibitions at the Museo del Hospitals and Clinicas, a museum set in a historical hospital building. **Seid Adem** (Chemistry) traveled to Ethiopia this summer where he taught analytical chemistry at Kotebe University College and presented a seminar on nanotechnology. International Programs has provided important support for these endeavors.

School of Applied Sciences

Pat Munzer, Dean

This past spring and summer SAS students and faculty have participated in the following international activities:

The Physical Therapist Assistant Program in the Allied Health Department hosted two students from Mikkeli University of Applied Sciences in Savonlinna, Finland this past spring where they completed clinical affiliations in Topeka at St. Francis.

Dr. Bassima Schbley (Social Work) and **Prof. Tom Averill** (English) were invited by Dr. Ayseli Usluata, a Turkish Professor of Communications at Yeditepe University in Istanbul, Turkey, to write an article about their experience in co-teaching the *Food in Literature and Film Class* course this past spring. The article will be published in the Fall issue as a special contribution in the latest issue of the *Global Media Journal Turkish Edition (Spring 2016, Volume 6, Issue 12)*.

The Allied Health Department successfully completed its fifth trip to Haiti this past spring as part of a medical mission team. The team provided basic primary care needs to local orphans and other community members. One WU student participant wrote of her experience. Here are some of her comments.

"...We arrived at the orphanage just in time for bed. The next morning we were able to meet some of the kids that lived in the orphanage, ranging from toddlers to teenagers. Seeing the smiles on faces and receiving hugs from kids who were strangers to us made my heart overflow with emotions. How could these innocent children be so happy when they have close to nothing?..."

"...We began the first clinic day by giving each one of the orphanage children a physical..."

"...This topic is important in my eyes, because I was a part of changing lives for the better. It is not an experience that everyone is able to have, but I am filled with gratitude because the people there made me feel extremely important. Many

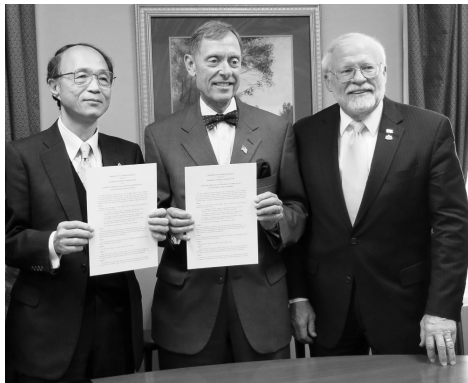
emotions concerning the children at the orphanage are continuously on my mind. If I ever get the chance to return and help in any way, I would in a heartbeat. I feel as though a large part of my heart is still with the children in Haiti..."

"...This experience has made a big impact on my life as a person..."

Law School

Craig Martin, Professor

Washburn Law has entered into an exchange and cooperation agreement with the law schools of the internationally renowned Osaka University, located in Osaka, Japan. The agreement was signed by Dean



Yutaka Takenaka of Osaka University, President Jerry Farley of Washburn University, and Dean Thomas Romig of

Washburn Law, during Dean Takenaka's visit to Washburn on March 3, 2016. The agreement will provide opportunities for the faculty of each school to conduct research and to teach at the partner school, and it will similarly create study abroad opportunities for students of both schools. Washburn Law will also seek to accept individual students from Osaka University for semester-long visits and to admit graduates of Osaka University into Washburn Law's LL.M. program. Washburn will explore the development of a summer study abroad program at Osaka.

Osaka University is one of Japan's most prestigious universities typically ranked among the top five of all universities in Japan and in the top 50 of all universities in the world. It has three separate law schools, serving the undergraduate level, graduate school for future scholars, and a professional school for prospective lawyers.

The International and Comparative Law Center hosted the *Second Annual Great Plains International and Comparative Law Colloquium* at Washburn Law on May 6, 2016. The colloquium involved nine scholars from

various universities. They were: University of Missouri-Kansas City (Timothy Lynch and Rana Lerh-Lenardt), University of Kansas (Raj Bhala and Virginia Harper Ho), University of Arkansas (Lisa Avalos and Rob Leflar), and Washburn Law (Craig Martin, Freddy Sourgens, and Andrea Boyack). Topics discussed during the colloquium ranged from currency manipulation under the Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), consumer social responsibility mechanisms in China, supranational law in international investment arbitration, rape investigation failures as human rights violations, constitutional war powers of Canada, and new health care law in Japan. The Center and Washburn Law look forward to continuing the annual colloquium with wider and deeper participation by other schools in the region.

Second Annual Great Plains International and Comparative Law Colloquium - 2016. Photo submitted by Craig Martin.



Prof. Craig Martin presented papers on the constitutional law and international law implications of the efforts by the Japanese government to "reinterpret" the war-renouncing provisions of the Constitution of Japan, at conferences held by The Asser Institute in The Hague, Netherlands (February, 2016), Ritsumeikan University, Kyoto, Japan (March, 2016), and The University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia (August, 2016).



Photo submitted by Craig Martin.

Prof. Martin also presented a paper on “The Royal Prerogative and War Powers under Canadian Constitutional Law”, at the *Law and Society Association Annual Conference* in New Orleans, in June, 2016.

Prof. Martin taught a course entitled *An Introduction to Anglo-American Constitutional Law*, at Osaka University, Graduate School of Law and Politics, in August, 2016. He was also re-elected to the Executive Committee of the Lieber Society, the interest group of the American Society for International Law for members involved in international humanitarian law.

Profs. Tonya Kowalski, David Rubenstein and Joseph Mastrosimone returned to the University of the West Indies in Barbados for the administration and teaching of *Washburn’s Law Program in Barbados*, a six week program in which Washburn students study alongside students from the University of the West Indies. Prof. Kowalski administered the program, Prof. Rubenstein taught *Comparative Constitutional Law*, and Prof. Mastrosimone taught *Comparative Labor Law*.

Prof. Freddy Sourgens was elected Vice President of the Executive Committee of the Private International Law Interest Group within the American Society of International Law. He was also appointed to the Academic Council of the Institute for Transnational Arbitration for a two year term.

He published a number of works related to international and comparative law, including: “Public Contracts Guarantees by National Institutions,” in *Transnational Law of Public Contracts* (Mathias Audit & Stephan Schill eds.: Bruylant: 2016) (with Michael Nolan & Mark Rockefeller); “The Stability Function in Natural Resource Arbitrations,” in *Investment Treaty Arbitration and International Law* (Ian Laird et al. eds.: Juris, 2016); “Constitutional Law” (with Raymond Diamond), *3 Angloamerikanische Rechtsprache 1* (Franz Heidinger & Andrea Hubalek eds., LexisNexis Verlag Vienna: 2016); “Administrative Law”, *3 Angloamerikanische Rechtsprache 61* (Franz Heidinger & Andrea Hubalek eds., LexisNexis Verlag Vienna: 2016). He also co-edited the ninth volume of *Investment Treaty*

Arbitration and International Law (Juris Publishing: 2016) and continues to serve as Managing Editor for Oxford University Press’ Investment Claims reporter.

Prof. Sourgens served as co-chair for the *Tenth Annual Investment Treaty Arbitration Conference* in Washington, DC and the *Second Annual Houston Oil and Gas Investment Arbitration Conference*. Finally, he was a member of the editorial committee for the *2016 Philip C. Jessup International Moot Court Competition (The Frost Files)* and served as a speaker on the expert panel to close out the international competition.

Profs. Rory Bahadur and Aïda Alaka traveled to the country of Georgia in July 2016 to collaborate with Georgian law professors on the development of a Georgian-language legal writing textbook, and to hold workshops in Batumi on legal writing and interactive teaching methods.

School of Business

Russ Smith, Associate Dean

In May 2016, “D18,” a business plan created and presented by a team of three Washburn students; Kennedy White (2016 Business graduate), Connor England (Business major), and Mark Feuerborn (Mass Media major), won first place in the 2016 *Worldwide Business Plan Competition* sponsored by the Network of International Business Schools (NIBS). The final round, among three finalists including teams from Finland and Ireland, took place over Skype May 19th at the *NIBS Annual Meeting* in Breda, Netherlands, hosted by Avans University of Applied Sciences. The three competitors participated online from their home institutions. D18 is a business plan for a service that provides businesses with ways to save money by finding taxation exemption opportunities within their utility charges.

The Worldwide Business Case Competition is an opportunity to measure up against peer institutions from all over the world. As 2016 was only Washburn's second year in the competition, we are very pleased with the result. The Washburn School

of Business joined NIBS in 2014 as part of the concerted effort to increase the international focus of our programs, which included the implementation of the new international business major. Washburn University was represented at the *NIBS Annual Meeting* by Professor Dmitri Nizovtsev.

In June, the School of Business entered into a five-year agreement of cooperation with the Faculty of Management and Technology at Catholic University-University College Leuven-Limburg in Leuven, Belgium. The signing took place June 9 at the close of the second part of the BU 406 International Business and Entrepreneurial Experience class in which a team of Washburn and Leuven students worked together to solve two business problems. The first business problem was provided by Hill's Pet Nutrition, with the on-the-ground, in-firm activity in Topeka in March hosted by the company. The second business problem was provided by ACE Packaging Company in Leuven, Belgium, with the on-the-ground activity in Leuven in June. Both projects ran about three months with much of the planning, preliminary, and closing activities taking place virtually through Skype and other social media. This is the second year for the Washburn-Leuven offering of BU 406. The course originator and instructor from Washburn was Professor Michael Stoica; the instructor from University College Leuven was Professor Robrecht van Goolen. Washburn School of Business Dean, David Sollars, was in Leuven to participate in class activities as well as in the signing ceremony.



*Washburn Students at University College Leuven in Belgium.
Photo submitted by Russ Smith.*

BU 406 was offered the first time in 2007 in partnership with the School of Management at the Wuhan University of Science and Technology, in Wuhan, China, making this year's offering the tenth in ten years. Developed and taught by Professor Michael Stoica, the class was originally bi-

institutional, with about five mixed teams of Washburn and WUST students working on projects for five Chinese companies in Wuhan. Last year, in 2015, the teams became "tri-institutional" with the addition of a third partner, University College PXL Limburg in Hasselt, Belgium. The Washburn and PXL students traveled together for the pre-project cultural activities in Shanghai and Beijing and the post-project cultural activities in Hong Kong and Macao. This year's innovation was visits to the Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce and Invest Hong Kong for presentations about the business environment and the multiple now Senior Information Officer at the Hong Kong Economic and Trade opportunities in Hong Kong. As in previous years, the class made a visit to Hong Kong International Terminals in the container port organized by Trans Global Logistics Group Ltd, a partner in the Payless Shoe Source supply chain. The instructor from PXL was Professor Christof Jans; leader of the faculty team at WUST was Professor Yunchuan Zhang.

We are grateful for the support in Hong Kong of Kitty Ng, General Manager, Customer Service and Quality Assurance, Corporate Business Division, Tran Global Logistics, and of Washburn School of Business alumnus Daniel McAtee, a 1993 BBA graduate in marketing and Office in Washington, D.C., especially for arranging the visits to the Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce and Invest Hong Kong.

In the spring semester, the School of Business hosted visiting scholar Kai "Susan" Xiao, a marketing faculty member from the School of Management at the Wuhan University of Science and Technology for a three-month professional development program. Professor Xiao is the twelfth visiting scholar from WUST to be hosted by the School of Business. Associate Dean, Russ Smith, attended the annual meeting of the Business Association of Latin American Studies (BALAS), March 16-18, 2016, in Guayaquil, Ecuador. For more information on the international activities of the School of Business, please see the fall 2016 issue of the school's newsletter "Washburn Business: From Here to Anywhere" available through the school's website at www.washburn.edu/business.



From the Desk of ...

Kelly McClendon

Lecturer/Coordinator, Intensive English Program

The biggest news from my desk is that the Commission on English Language Program Accreditation (CEA) granted the WU Intensive English Program five-year accreditation! All of us in International Programs have been celebrating this accomplishment since we learned of this in April. You can see the CEA logo on the website. This long process has resulted in a better program and will help us to enjoy prestige among Intensive English Programs (IEP) domestically and internationally.

The 2016 spring semester was also remarkable in the number of students (145) as well as the number of completion certificates and perfect attendance awards the program gave out. It was more than any other semester. Sarah Springsteen Trumble and I presented at the *MidTESOL Conference* in Iowa City on creating a bridge program between the IEP and the Masters of Education, and I presented on using Office Mix in the IE classroom at the *TESOL Convention* in Baltimore.

Finally, I wanted to let you know of a creative incentive that one of our instructors is employing. Mary Ann Wittman is inspiring her students to read, read, read. Each semester, she gives out a copy of a famous literary book, such as *To Kill a Mockingbird*, when students reach a certain number of pages read. This semester, she had to increase the number of pages to read to get the prize. That shows that the students are catching on and many reported that this spring was the first time they had read an entire book in English.

Heidi Staerker

Coordinator of International Student Services

Each year, one area which our office focuses on is exploring new and better ways to help international and American students connect in meaningful ways. In surveys conducted by our office, this is the area which has more recently topped the list of what

international students would like to see improve at WU. During our fall semester orientation this year, in collaboration with the Washburn New Student Orientation (NSO), the new international students joined in with some of the new American students in the last NSO of the summer, which we were very excited about!

Another new, exciting addition this Fall semester will be the Global Citizenship and Diversity Learning Community, established through collaboration between our office and the Office of Residential Living. This learning community is "...an opportunity for students to discover and learn more about a variety of cultures, and engage in thoughtful conversations centered around current events and the effects of a globalized community. This community will focus on building relationships across cultures through shared experiences and the exploration of diverse cultural perspectives." We believe that this new learning community will be another asset working to accomplish the goal of connecting WU international and American students in more significant ways.

Our office would like to recognize and congratulate our Spring/Summer 2016 graduates:

- Abdullah Almadbel (Saudi Arabia) – MBA
- Shadi Almalehi (Saudi Arabia) – MBA
- Nabeel Alyahyaw (Saudi Arabia)– LL.M. in Law
- Abeer Ali Jari (Saudi Arabia) – MBA
- Muhsinjon Muhamadjonov (Tajikistan) - MBA
- Norah Abdulaziz Alabdulhadi (Saudi Arabia) – BHS in Clinical Laboratory Sciences
- Alanoud Alanazi (Saudi Arabia) – BSW in Social Work
- Fadwa Alharbi (Saudi Arabia) – BSW in Social Work
- Mariana de Almeida Yoshita (Brazil) – BBA in International Business and Marketing
- Cheukhei Kau (Hong Kong) – BBA in Finance
- Arkadiusz Kozaczuk (Poland) – BBA in Finance and Accounting
- Fangfei Lu (China) – BA in Mass Media
- Lionel Mendonca (India) – BBA in Management
- Natsuki Okazaki (Japan) – Associate of Liberal Studies (ALS)



- Yuko Oki (Japan) – BA in Art History
- Shekinah Palermo (Philippines) – BSN in Nursing
- Dario Munoz Poletti (Paraguay) – BBA in Finance and Economics
- Thilo Schlenker (Germany) – BA in Mathematics
- Xiaoyan Wang (China) – BBA in Finance
- Di Xie (China) – BBA in Accounting
- Kun Xie (China) – BBA in Finance and Accounting
- Yuetian Yang (China) – BBA in Management and Marketing

We would especially like to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of the following graduates who received Latin and departmental honors:

Summa Cum Laude

- Fadwa Alharbi – Social Work Honors
- Xiaoyan Wang – School of Business Scholar; Sibberson Award Recipient
- Di Xie – School of Business Scholar; Sibberson Award Finalist
- Kun Xie – School of Business Scholar
- Thilo Schlenker

Magna Cum Laude

- Arkadiusz Kozaczuk – School of Business Scholar
- Dario Munoz Poletti – School of Business Scholar

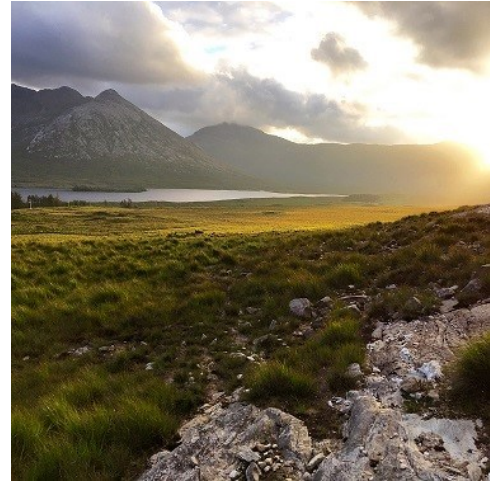
Cum Laude

- Alanoud Alanazi
- Shekinah Palermo
- Fangfei Lu
- Yuko Oki

Other Spring/Summer graduates who received departmental honors:

- Mariana de Almeida Yoshita – School of Business Scholar
- Norah Abdulaziz Alabdulhadi – Allied Health Honors

Tina Williams **Study Abroad Coordinator**



Washburn student Bridget Cornwell's award winning photo from the 2016 National University of Ireland Maynooth International Summer School Program. "Beautiful Ireland". Photo Submitted by NUIM.

Washburn University Bowtie Event

Over 800 WU students attended the *BOWTIE Event* September 7th featuring WU Majors, Activities and the Study Abroad Fair. Students visited with Faculty-Leaders, WU Study Abroad Alumni, International Students, Program Providers, Modern Languages Professors and Office of Intentional Programs Staff to learn about WU opportunities to study, volunteer, intern, work, teach and live in another country.



BOWTIE 2016. Photo submitted by Tina Williams.

2016 Faculty-led Programs

Winter Break & Spring

- Study Abroad In Belize – Dr. Judith McConnell-Farmer
- Costa Rica Service Learning – Dr. Randy Pembroke



- Costa Rica Nursing Perspectives – Dr. Bobbe Mansfield
- Nicaragua Service Experience – Dr. Richard Ellis
- Haiti: International Medical Service – Professor Hillary Lolley
- India Experience- Professor Azyz Sharafy & Dr. Sharla Blank
- Nursing in Japan – Professors Crystal Stevens, Susan Maendele, Jane Robinson

Summer:

- Barbados Law Program – Professor Tonya Kowalski
- Belgium & China: International Business and Entrepreneurship Experience – Dr. Michael Stoica
- Discover Japan with Fukuoka University – Dr. Bob Beatty
- Live & Learn in Salamanca, Spain – Professor Georgina Tenny

Scholarships Awards:

The International Programs Scholarship Committee awarded scholarships to students participating in the above mentioned programs. In addition students were awarded scholarships for programs in the following countries:

Argentina, Australia, Austria, Germany, Italy, Singapore, S. Korea, & the UK.

To learn more about WU Study Abroad visit:
<https://washburn.studioabroad.com>



Andy Vogel **International Student Recruitment and Retention Coordinator**

The Office of International Programs (OIP) welcomed the spring semester with our largest enrollment to date as well as visiting groups, starting

with nine short term nursing students from Fukuoka University in Japan for a two week Intensive English program. It was our fourth year to have the opportunity to host them and we are pleased to see Washburn's longest international partnership still flourishing and greatly appreciate the efforts of Dr. Tomoko Oshiro for coordinating the exchange.

Next, OIP welcomed a group of nine Quzhou #2 High School students from China to WU for an exchange program with Topeka High School. Benjy Zhang, senior, and Janie Vogel, the Chinese instructor at THS, helped to coordinate and facilitate the exchange as well as a pen pal program. THS students are planning to reciprocate the exchange in the spring of 2017.



Quzhou #2 High School students visiting Washburn University.

Next, I was heavily involved in the planning and coordinating of the International Center of Topeka's annual cultural spotlight event, which focused on Nepal. Fifteen Nepali students helped prepare Nepali food for the 200 plus people that attended. The featured speaker was the 2016 National Geographic Explorer of the Year, Pasang Lhamu Sherpa Akita, who made a special film specifically for the event.

Shortly following, the Office of International Programs hosted 33 Chinese students from Taizhou High School. After the students visit to Washburn and Topeka, we hope they will return to pursue their higher education at WU.

The Zhejiang Normal University North American Alumni Chapter was initiated and celebrated the Washburn-ZJNU connection and the many years

Director Baili Zhang and other Washburn faculty, students, and community members have promoted the partnership over the years.



Zhejiang Normal University North American Alumni Chapter, Spring 2016. Photo submitted by Andy Vogel.

Professionally, my presentation “Emerging Technologies in International Higher Education” was accepted and I had the opportunity to represent Washburn as a speaker at the *Kansas International Educators Conference*. I also graduated from Leadership Washburn and was awarded the Student Organization Achievement Recognition “Commitment to Diversity Award” for faculty, an award that I’m sincerely honored to have received.

This rounded out a very involved and busy spring and immediately led into the International Summer Institute at Washburn. Thank you to everyone who supported the programming and events mentioned, we certainly could not have done it without you!

International Summer Institute

The International Summer Institute at Washburn University finished its fourth year with the highest enrollment to date. International students participated in a six-week program, which included challenging academics and a variety of educational and social activities. This year we had 37 participants attend the Summer Institute with the two main groups coming from Japan and an exchange cohort from Hallym University in South Korea.



2016 International Summer Institute. Photo submitted by AV.

Aside from academics, students had local trips each weekend to various places such as, Worlds and Oceans of Fun, Royals game, Lake Shawnee for July 4th, canoeing, Nelson Atkins, Legends, Capitol Tour, Blues Festival, Steak House, Rescue Mission, Topeka High School, Country Club Plaza, 888 International Market, archery class, Burger Stand, local home stays and special dinners of sushi and Korean food respectively.

A big THANK YOU goes out to Jeon (Hallym University) and Yukii (Sakae Institute), the homestay families, Dr. Farley, the Program Assistant Coordinator Katelynn Rollins and the Program Assistants Kako Hayashi, Lauren Barr and Janie Vogel for their tireless enthusiasm, organization, reliability, and dishwashing.





New International Scholar Joins Washburn Faculty



Dr. Rik Hine, a native Englishman, joined Washburn University as an Assistant Professor of Philosophy, after five years in the same position, at Texas Christian University.

Dr. Hine earned a Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy (First Class Honours) from the University of North London (now London Metropolitan University), and an MPhil in Philosophy of Psychology from King's College, London. He was considering pursuing doctoral studies in the U.S. when he met an American woman in London. That helped make up his mind. The rest, as they say, is history. One marriage (yes, with the 'American woman'), two children, and a Ph.D. (UConn) later, Dr. Hine spends his professional time inquiring into the nature of consciousness. Outside of family-time, the little that he has left is spent reading poetry, watching boxing, and trying to reconcile the two.

- Xinyue He - "Frozen Face"
- Nianze Zhou - "Globalization"
- Dante Overbey - "Types of Motivation"
- Katy Evenson - "What is a Palindrome"
- Ray White - "Comanche: The Bravest Horse of All"
- Casey Keatley - "Concussions: Dr. Bennett Omalu"

Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars



2016 Spring Inductees (from left to right): Jennifer Ball, Mary Sheldon, and Tracy Routsong. Photo submitted by Baili Zhang.

Congratulations!

**International Student Places
First in Nall Speak Off**
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The Spring Nall Speak Off was held by the Communication Department Spring 2016. Each semester, the top one to three speakers are selected from each Washburn University public speaking course to represent their respective classes in this competition. Finalists for this semester's competition are listed below in their respective order of placing and with their respective topics:

