

Summer study abroad opportunities

Beedie School of Business Vancouver, Canada

E-Merge 2014! is a summer intensive program that is designed to help foster and grow ideas through a collaborative and applied learning experience. It will help students identify and assess opportunities for delivering health benefits, as well as understand how to foster innovation and develop ideas into a business or new product or service within an existing organization.

Emerge 2014! is an extensive experience to get students focused on innovation, value creation and supporting change and entrepreneurial activity.

The program will run June 9-12, 2014. If students register before April 17, 2014, the cost will be C\$1895+GST, and registration after April 17 will cost C\$2295+GST.

For more information and to register, visit:
beedie.sfu.ca/execed/programs/individuals/healthcare-innovation-entrepreneurship.php

Universidad Tecnica Federico Santa Maria (USM) Valparaíso, Chile

USM is a leader in engineering, science and technology, with recognized international prestige. The Office of International Affairs at USM offers an intensive Spanish course for international students interested in advancing their Spanish skills.

The summer session is an intensive 2-week, 50-hour course designed for exchange students. The course hours will be divided up between culture and conversation classes and grammar lessons. It also includes walking tours through the most iconic parts of Valparaíso.

The program will be offered July 21-August 1 and will cost US\$410. Additional housing fees will apply.

For more information, email: mallory.vogel@usm.cl
or visit: www.oai.usm.cl

IXO had a busy 2013!

Last year, IXO received 155 incoming study abroad students from around the world, including US, Canada, Egypt, Germany, Argentina, France, UK, Qatar, Bahrain, Mexico, Venezuela, Ethiopia, Kuwait, Kenya and even further afield.

Thirty one AUS students studied abroad during Spring and Fall semesters in the US, Canada and Europe, with even more going over the summer. 165 AUS students went on study tours.

IXO hosted 159 visiting international guests (including 38 delegations) from 15 different countries, and 42 international visiting scholars.

IXO was pleased to host a variety of events such as a travelogue series, IXO poetry nights, a study abroad fair, the BU Brussels workshop, and the UC Irvine Summer information session, among others.

Friends of IXO

IXO asks AUS students to consider joining the Friends of IXO program to be involved in the office and our activities. If you are interested, we will need to know your name, ID, major, expected graduation date and mobile number. Kindly only join us if you are truly interested in international exchange.

IXO's first Town Hall Forum

IXO had the pleasure of hosting our first Town Hall Forum on Wednesday, February 26, 2014. This event included current exchange students, returned outgoing Fall 2013 students, outgoing Fall 2014 students, Friends of IXO and interested faculty/staff.

It was an informal gathering in which students could reflect on their study abroad experiences to date and ask any questions they may have from other students, AUS faculty and staff. About 40 people joined the discussion.

IXO outings

Throughout the semester, IXO arranges different outings for the incoming exchange students to experience various parts and different events within the United Arab Emirates.

So far, our students have visited Abu Dhabi, Masdar City, Global Village, Sharjah Light Festival and camel racing.

IXO would like to share some of the event photographs with you:



Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque, Abu Dhabi



Masdar City

International guests

IXO sees a lot of international guests come through its hallways, from visiting scholars and Fulbright scholars, to international educators who want to create relationships with our university. Through the month of March, IXO was pleased to have eight visitors.



Dr. Natalya Kondratyeva and Dr. Sagit Valeyev from Ufa State Aviation Technical University, Russia, with Dr. Linda Angell and Sonia Soares



Robert Carolin, Executive Director and Associate Dean of Global Education and Extended Learning, California State University San Marcos, USA, with Dr. Linda Angell