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Weekly Newsletter | International Programs Office

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University of Salamanca Info Session

TUESDAY, MARCH 23 AT 4 P.M. | ONLINE

Senior Study Abroad Advisor, Hugh Anderson, will provide an overview of this longstanding program, and answer questions for students and/or staff.

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Study Abroad 101

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24 AT 3 P.M. | IN-PERSON

Join us in the Old Main Colloquium, Room 220, to learn all about how to begin planning your study abroad experience.

Access Events: <https://sunycortland.webex.com/meet/ip.webex>



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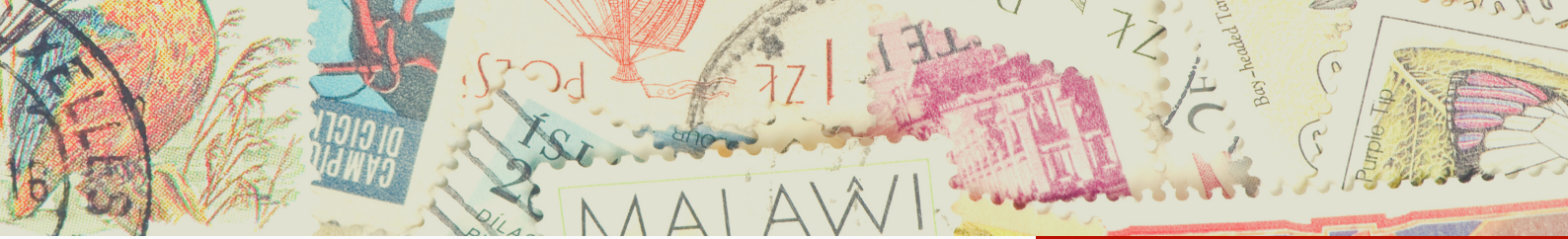
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People, Nature, and Culture: Exploring African Cultural Heritage

SUMMER 2021 ONLINE COURSE

This course explores the history and development of Africa from the perspective of cultural heritage. It focuses primarily on UNESCO listed sites to learn about African people and their global relations from the precolonial period to the present time. The course will also interrogate the political economy of World Heritage Sites and how these sites intersect with the Sustainable Development Goals. Students will learn about the impact of climate change on heritage sites and ways in which these sites are preserved.



This synchronous, online course, will be taught by Dr. Bekeh Ukelina (History) in collaboration with the [International Council on Monuments and Sites](#). Worth 3 credits, the course will run during Summer Session B (June 8 - June 23) and will count as HIS 180: Why Global History Matters, which can fulfill either GE 6 or GE 7. Email Dr. Ukelina at (bekeh.ukelina@cutland.edu) or the International Programs Office at studyabroad@cutland.edu with any questions.

Interested students should complete an application here: <https://tinyurl.com/ygm35kb7>

Accepted students will be registered for the course by the International Programs Office.

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Healthcare Management Students Intern Virtually with St. Aloysius College, India

GLOBAL VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCES

This semester, 7 healthcare management students are completing their required fieldwork through a virtual internship organized by our partners at St. Aloysius College in Mangalore, India. With the help of faculty program directors Drs. Girish Bhat (History) and Sharon Steadman (Sociology/Anthropology), Dr. Barbara Barton (Health) is facilitating this virtual experience alongside Dr. Shalini Aiyappa Ittira (Psychology). She, along with Dr. Vishanz Pinto (History), came to Cortland as a visiting scholar in Fall 2017. The current virtual experience exposes students to the Indian health care system through engagement with health professionals and faculty. Further, students are reflecting on working in cross-cultural settings through a series of modules developed by Dr. Mary Schlarb (International Programs).

We are pleased to continue to build upon our dynamic partnership with St. Aloysius College - which has collaborated with Cortland professors: Lisi Krall (Economics), Scott Moranda (History), Ute Ritz-Deutch (History), Alex Balas (International Studies, Clark Center), and Jena Curtis (Health).



Endowed Scholarships Continue to Make International Experiences Possible

THANK YOU DONORS

Students participating in the virtual internship in India are doing so with the help of generous support from the following study abroad scholarships:

- Gregory R. Huether '10 Study Abroad Scholarship
- Walter and Anne Kreig Memorial Scholarship
- Edmond C. '83 and Wendy Lou Hauser Study Abroad Sponsored Scholarship
- Kevin A. Rowell Scholarship

Fall 2021 Study Abroad Programs

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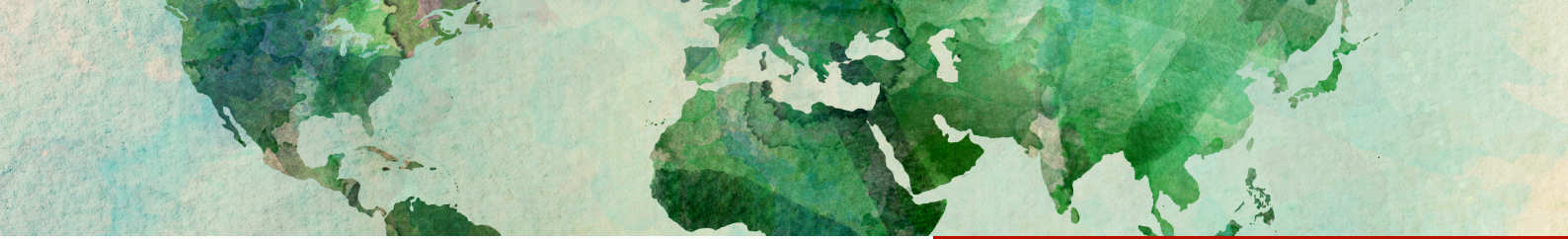
While the global pandemic continues to shape international travel, the ongoing vaccine effort provides hope that a sense of normalcy is on the horizon.

We are currently accepting applications for FALL 2021 study abroad programs and are hopeful that some programs will run.

We encourage interested students to:

- Apply - with the option to defer acceptance if a program is cancelled
- Register for Fall 2021 courses and housing at Cortland as a back-up plan
- Be in touch with us at studyabroad@cortland.edu with any questions you have





International Student Panel

INTERCULTURAL PERSPECTIVES ON INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Daniela Baban Hurrle (International Programs) in collaboration with Dr. Jeremy Jimenez (Foundations and Social Advocacy) and his FSA 333: International & Comparative Education class, hosted a student panel on international education on March 15. The panel featured SUNY Cortland international students and recent graduates Samyak Desai '20 (India), Jahong Pu '20 (South Korea), and Melissa Alvisi '22 (Italy), who reflected and shared their personal cultural perspectives of living, and studying abroad in the U.S. Topics covered included: discussions on various education systems, studying during the pandemic, culture shock, etc. Over 50 attendees learned more about international education from diverse perspectives and gained insights into the international student experience and cultural diversity within our campus community.



Fall 2021 International Student Enrollment

UPDATE

SUNY Cortland will be hosting new matriculated and exchange international students during the Fall semester.

We are optimistic that student visa applications will be expedited, and international students will be able to plan their travel and start their studies without delay.

Please contact international@cortland.edu with any questions.

Feature Friday - A Success!

WHERE WILL YOU TRAVEL NEXT?

On Friday March 12, our office participated in the Feature Friday series. IPO staff and student workers started at Professional Studies and Park Center and walked to the top of campus giving out international candy and IPO swag to 90 students. Along the way, they asked students, faculty, and staff travel questions, including where they wanted to travel post-COVID. The most popular responses were Ireland and Australia. Luckily, we have partner universities in both countries! Responses also included locations within the U.S., primarily visiting family not seen since the start of COVID. It seems everyone is looking forward to traveling again, regardless of the destination!





International Student & Faculty Taxes

A SUCCESSFUL TAX SEASON WITH SPRINTAX

International students and scholars who lived in the U.S. anytime between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2020 must file their federal taxes prior to May 17, 2021.

To increase nonresident tax compliance on our campus, the IPO has arranged free access to [Sprintax](#) software, which will guide students through the tax preparation process, review the necessary documents, and check if students are due a refund.

Sprintax will be hosting free webinars to assist with tax preparation.

- Tues., March 30 @1:30pm EST – [Register here](#)
- Wed., April 7 @2pm EST – [Register here](#)
- Mon., April 12th @12pm EST – [Register here](#)



International Student Spotlight

AYESHA MAZHAR, SPRING 2018, PAKISTAN

Ayesha studied at SUNY Cortland as part of the prestigious Global UGRAD-Pakistan program. Sponsored by the U.S. Dept. of State, it provides student leaders from Pakistan the opportunity to study in the U.S. for a semester. Ayesha reflected on her time at Cortland saying: "Before my semester in SUNY Cortland, I was a bit limited, stuck and focused person. I had a time based perspective, always stressing over things I couldn't control. SUNY Cortland has given me so much opportunities either in the form of courses I took or events I went to on campus. Those things all changed me. I am very much open, spontaneous and fun person now. I am more accepting of individuals and situations, more grateful, understanding, and patient. Now I have this trust that I can make the best out of an situation all by myself."

Contact Us

LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Contact studyabroad@cortland.edu to schedule an appointment with an advisor. Or, contact our office by phone at (607) 753-2209.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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IN-PERSON

MON - FRI
11 A.M. - 1 P.M.

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