ASU alumnus helps students acclimate to DC

The first week in Washington, D.C., for Arizona State University students participating in the Capital Scholars program feels like a whirlwind. Luckily, alumni like Matt Caruso are available to help students navigate our nation’s capital.

“It’s so worth it to me because the students want to learn,” Caruso said. “They want more out of D.C. and out of the program.”

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Experiential learning: ASU students get jumpstart in Washington, DC

At The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, 82% of undergraduate students who were employed or received at least one job offer 90 days after graduation, completed at least one internship while working on their degree.

Students like Alexandria, Matthew and Nikki had the opportunity to intern in Washington, D.C., thanks to the philanthropy of donors.

“Without scholarships, I would not have been able to engage in these unpaid and often costly opportunities,” said alumna Nikki Hinshaw who participated in the McCain Institute Policy Design Studio in 2018. “I hope that (with the experiences), I’m able to make a bigger impact on my community and give back to others someday as well.”

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ASU instructor opening speaker for conference in Ecuador

In April, Dr. Charles Ripley, lecturer in The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences’s School of Politics and Global Studies, was the opening speaker for this year’s round of academic
presentations at La Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO) in Quito, Ecuador.

"Reaching out to academics throughout Latin America increases the recognition of ASU abroad and demonstrates that we are an inclusive and international university," Ripley said. "It also exposes Latin American scholars and policy makers to our different programs and fields of study in case they have an interest in coming to the United States."

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ASU student travels abroad in pursuit of a future career, learns about family’s culture on the way

ASU School of Historical, Philosophical and Religious Studies and School of Politics and Global Studies senior Monica Orillo has been tackling different parts of the world in her pursuit of a future career in international affairs.

Most recently, she has spent the last academic year in the Philippines at a host university through the Boren Scholarship. Read more about her ASU Study Abroad experience:

Read more.

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Faculty News

- Richard Herrera and Gina Woodall led 11 students to Dublin and Belfast from May 6-May 21st. Students studied and learned about Irish culture and history prior to the trip and then
immersed themselves in meeting and talking with experts about Brexit, The Troubles, and the history of Irish Independence. If you would like to read more about the trip through the students’ eyes, go here.

- Daniel Pout and Henry Sivak led ASU students to three cities in the Southern Balkans: Skopje, Ohrid and Thessaloniki. Students explored the historical and contemporary issues in the Balkans as well as performed ethnographic and urbanographic analysis at museums and historic areas of the cities. If you would like to read more about the trip through the students’ eyes, go here.

- Assistant Professor Henry Thomson's article, "Conflict Termination, Signals of State Weakness, and Violent Urban Social Disorder in the Developing World" was published as part of an international special issue on The Spatiality of Violence in Post-War Cities in Third World Thematics.

- University Professor Craig Calhoun attended the 2019 Mastercard Foundation Board and General Meeting in Nairobi, Kenya from June 17 to June 20, 2019. As well as joining in meetings and programs, Professor Calhoun was involved in the Young Africa Works launch and met with President Uhuru Kenyatta’ of the Republic of Kenya.

- Foundation Professor Kim Fridkin, SPGS distinguished alumna Sarah Allen Gershon, SPGS alumna Jillian Courey and Kristina LaPlant published "Gender Differences in Emotional Reactions to the First 2016 Presidential Debate" in the journal of Political Behavior.

- Professor of Practice Daniel Rothenberg presented on the paper “Core tensions in the law of war: ‘law as rule-making’ versus ‘law as principle’” at the Arizona State Bar Convention 2019 at a panel with law faculty from Yale Law School (Oona Hathaway and Scott Shapiro), Univ of California, Hastings (Chimene Keitner) and Western University (Ryan Liss).

- Instructor Charles Ripley published a piece in Council on Hemispheric Affairs titled "From Rafael Correa to Lenín Moreno: Ecuador’s Swing to the Right".

- University Professor Craig Calhoun, participated in a Future Tense event “How Will We Govern Ourselves in Space?” held in Washington, DC on July 10th. Professor Calhoun gave the provocation as well as participated as a panelist for the discussion “What Does Community and the Social Landscape Look Like in Space?”

- ASU SPGS PhD student Michael Chacon was named a 2019-20 American Political Science Association Spring Minority Fellowship Program recipient.

- Professor of Practice Daniel Rothenberg was interviewed for “The Show” on KJZZ about tensions between the US and Iran and their broader global security implications.