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THE YEAR IN REVIEW

The 2017-2018 school year was both robust and rewarding. Within the last year Walsh University sent 214 students, faculty, and staff on 19 academic abroad experiences visiting 10 countries. The majority of abroad experiences were to Italy, where Walsh University's Rome campus in Castel Gandolfo is located. This year, Global Learning added the addition of two new faculty-led programs over Spring Break and several new international internship opportunities. We were pleased to welcome Micah Corso-Phinney as the Rome Campus Coordinator. The Blouin Global Scholar program welcomed a new cohort that is taking a closer look at Education, Equity, and Opportunity. And our Blouin Global Scholars committed hundreds of hours to community and global service.

New to this year was The US/Mexico Border program, a collaborative effort with the Office of Service Learning. Service Learning Director, Abby Poeske, and Dr. Koop Berry (GFA) led 10 students to Laredo, Texas on a service learning experience to examine the complex relationship between US and Mexico and how the border has an affect on the community and the nation.

Additionally, Walsh University developed a global learning experience in Guadalajara, Mexico. Learning alongside students and faculty from one of Mexico's most respected Catholic Universities, Universidad del Valle de Atemajac (UNIVA). Walsh students, led by Dr. Megan Donaldson (Physical Therapy), developed a deeper understanding on the state of healthcare for one of the US's closest neighbors and ally.

With the addition of international interns and clinical experiences this past school year, PT graduate student Megan McFarland was able to complete her practical experience in Italy and FNP student Emma Laubacher completed hours in Sierra Leone. During the summer months, two students, Maeggie Herman-Laurence and Hope Bruce, double-majoring in History and Museum Studies completed internships at the Sicily-American Cemetery in Nettuno, Italy (see featured students below). Annie Schvach, Education and Blouin Global Scholar, completed an internship on food sustainability efforts working with Gustolab in Rome, Italy. Phil Kopatz, senior History major, interned at The American House in Kiev, Ukraine promoting American culture.

In August of 2017, Walsh University hired Micah Corso-Phinney as the Rome Campus Coordinator. As the Campus Coordinator, Micah's main responsibilities are to support the students in their transition between cultures and to help provide a safe learning environment for them. Prior to Micah starting at Walsh, he taught English in Milan, Italy. Micah holds a Bachelor of Fine Arts from Dickinson College.

MISSION

Inspired by the example of global citizenship of the Brothers of Christian Instruction, the Office of Global Learning provides opportunities for students to develop into leaders in service with an international perspective. Global Learning promotes learning which transforms the student, the university and the communities which they serve.



VISION

THE OFFICE OF GLOBAL LEARNING SEEKS TO:

- Demonstrate a concrete impact of global service on students, the Walsh and local communities and the world.
- Increase global connections through more varied programs in multiple destinations throughout the world and to bring more connections to the Walsh campus.
- Develop and sustain learning communities which promote servant-leadership and global citizenship across university constituencies.
- Achieve national recognition as a global institution.

OUTCOMES

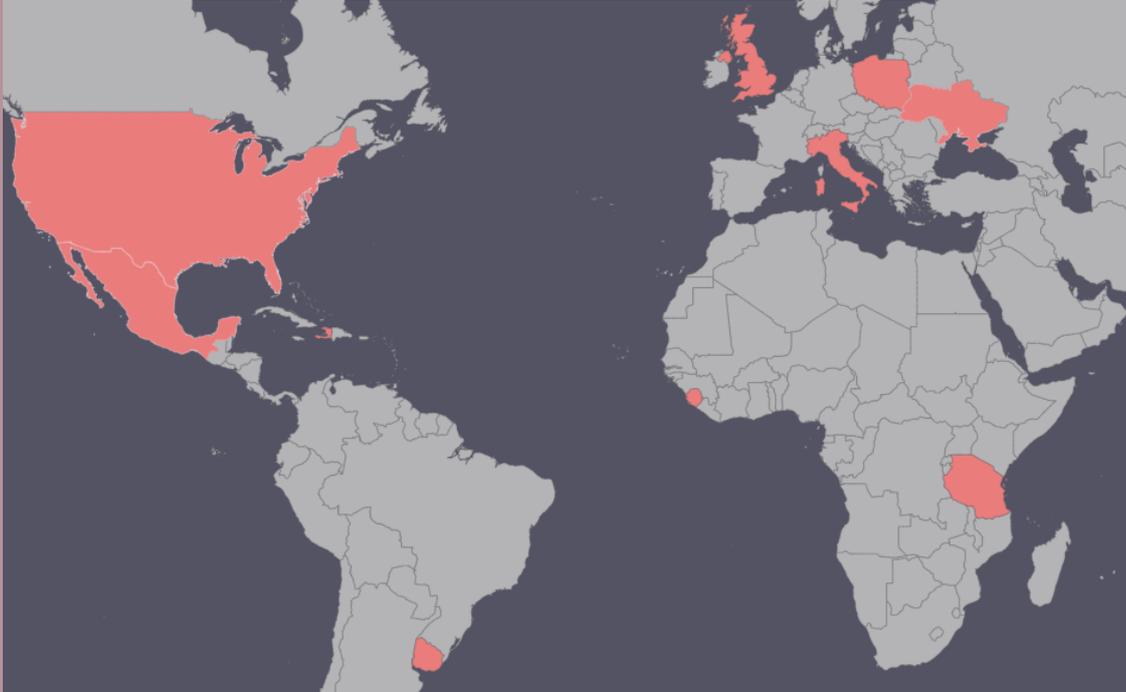
#1 Demonstrate knowledge of cultural differences based on the course content specific to the individual program's curriculum, host country, and academic content.

#2 Develop an awareness and appreciation of a host country's culture and how it has an impact in shaping beliefs, practices and perceptions.

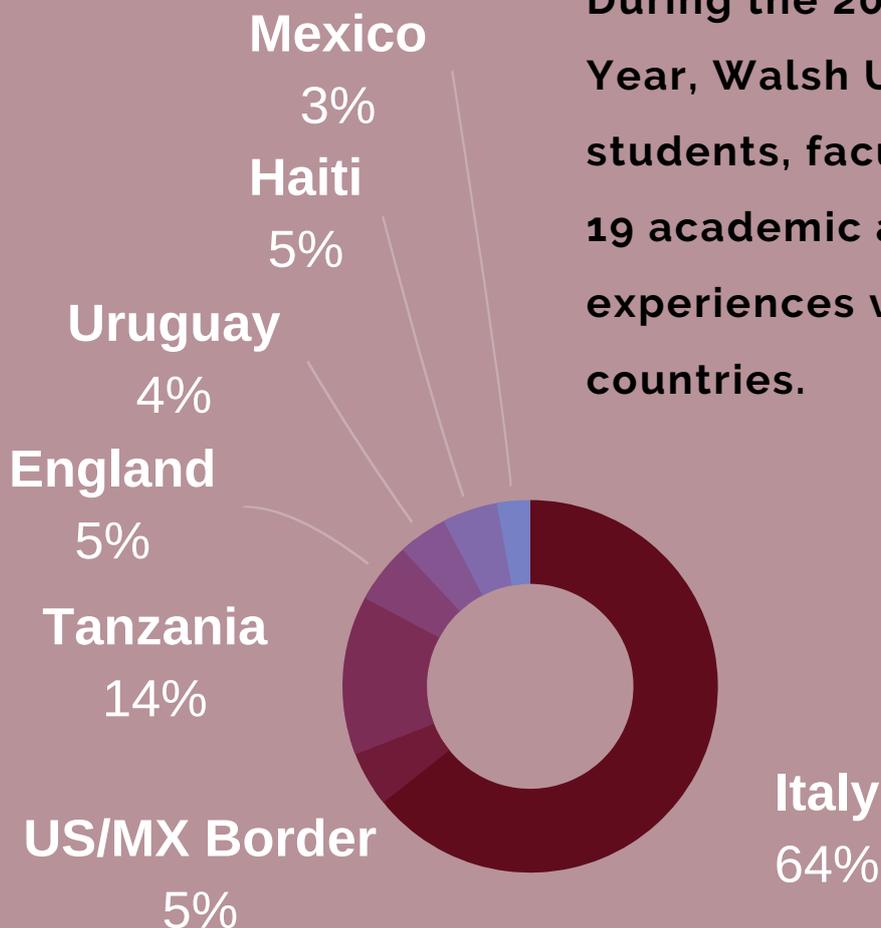
#3 Gain an awareness of one's own culture and how values, beliefs, and goals impact different perspectives.

#4 Develop a set of skills; independence, adaptability, ability to problem-solve, to manage the new challenges of daily life in a different culture.

GLOBAL LOCATIONS



During the 2017-2018 Academic Year, Walsh University sent 214 students, faculty, and staff on 19 academic abroad experiences visiting 10 countries.



BLOUIN GLOBAL SCHOLARS

The Office of Global Learning supports a unique living-learning community called the Blouin Global Scholars named after the late Br. Francis Blouin, 3rd President of Walsh University. The program provides students with the opportunity to become part of a community of students and faculty dedicated to using scholarship and service to address major global issues. Blouin Scholars live and take classes with a cohort of students who are similarly dedicated to become leaders in service to the global community. Each academic class is themed to a different global issue.

Class of 2018: Genocide, Justice, and Reconciliation:

Faculty Director- Dr. Brad Beach

Highlight of 17/18- Organized Genocide Awareness and Prevention Week

Class of 2019: Technology, Entrepreneurship, and Society:

Faculty Director- Dr. Julie Szendrey

Highlight of 17/18- Traveled to Rome in June and July of 2018

Class of 2020: Food Sustainability:

Faculty Director- Professor Jennifer Vokoun

Highlight of 17/18- Traveled to Moshi, Tanzania in December of 2017

Class of 2021: Education, Equity, and Opportunity:

Faculty Director- Dr. Amanda Gradisek

Highlight of 17/18- Established working relationship with Gibbs Elementary.

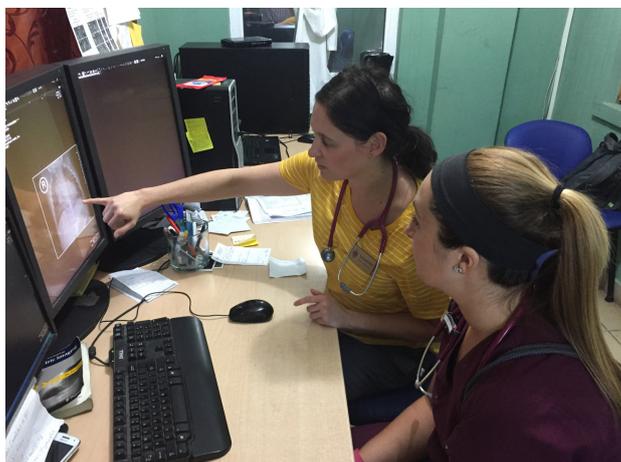
Class of 2022: Water: Quality, Access and the Future:

Faculty Director- Dean Rachel Hosler

We will welcome our newest cohort of Blouin Global Scholars August 2018

FEATURED PROGRAM

GLOBAL PEDIATRIC CARE IN HAITI



Dr. Tracey Herstich (left) reviewing an X-ray with senior Nursing major Courtney Boreman at St. Damien's Hospital in Port au Prince, Haiti

Eight senior nursing students spent a week in Port au Prince, Haiti led by Clinical Assistant Professor Tracey Herstich, D.N.P., Director of Global Learning Michael Cinson, and Associate Dean of Experiential Learning, Rachel Hosler. While in Haiti, they worked in conjunction with Haitian medical personnel and other doctors and nurses from around the world, including a pediatric team from Italy, a surgical team from Boise, Idaho, and women's health experts from New York. The students also participated in clinical rotations with St. Damien Pediatric Hospital and St. Luke's Adult Hospital. This experience provided Walsh students the opportunity to work alongside Haitian nurses and other medical personnel to have an increased knowledge in providing patient care with limited resources. When asked to describe her experience, senior nursing student Corrine Furci said: "The senior nursing trip to Haiti has had a significant impact on me not only as a student, but also as a whole. The experience has opened my eyes to the lack of access to healthcare in other countries, as well as the diminished resources available to those who attempt to provide health services. This trip also taught me the value of compassion and communication and how I can implement that throughout my life. The senior nursing trip has changed my heart and I'm so blessed to have had this opportunity through Walsh Global Learning."

FEATURED STUDENTS

Maeggie Herman-Laurence and Hope Bruce



From the beginning of June to early July, 2018, rising Seniors double majoring in Museum Studies and History, Maeggie Herman-Laurence (center) and Hope Bruce (right) completed a five-week internship at the Sicily-Rome American Cemetery in Nettuno, Italy (near Rome) under the supervision of site Superintendent, Ms. Melanie Resto (left). The Cemetery is a part of the American Battlements Monuments Commission (ABMC). Students served as roving interpreters, conducted research on American soldiers buried in the cemetery, planned a July 4th event, and staffed the Visitor Center. Maeggie and Hope worked closely with their faculty advisor, Dr. Katey Brown, who was instrumental in creating and implementing this incredible opportunity. When asked about her experience Hope said "I knew if I ever studied abroad I wanted to do it with a focus on my major and when the internship opportunity came by it seemed a perfect opportunity. I knew an international internship would stretch me personally and professionally in ways a local internship simply couldn't. This was both frightening and exciting and I knew that by participating I would grow and gain new perspectives. The internship being through ABMC gave me another organization to look for employment with after graduation. Through this internship my interest in possibly earning my masters in another country has increased and/or working abroad for a little while. Even if neither happens my mind has been opened to more possibilities than just working in NE Ohio."

LOOKING AHEAD

With the new year, comes new possibilities and excitement. Starting in July 2018, the Global Learning Office is excited to welcome Hyacinthe Mutuyubutatu (Walsh '17) as the Global Learning Coordinator. In her role as coordinator, Hyacinthe will assist in recruiting and preparing students for upcoming global learning experiences, as well as overseeing Global Learning programming on main campus. Hyacinthe brings with her the experience of taking part in a Rome program when she was a sophomore student.

Walsh University will enter into the St. Damien's Collaborative, a group of North American academic and health organizations who have made a long-term commitment to St. Damien Hospital, Haiti's only free-standing children's hospital. The collaborative works to achieve this goal through the bi-directional exchange of personnel, information, and resources between St. Damien Hospital and the North American partner sites, as well as through research and quality improvement projects at St. Damien. The collaborative will allow for learning experiences for Walsh University nursing and pre-professional students, as well as opportunities for Physical and Occupational Therapy programs.

Recognizing employers seek individuals with global and intercultural competencies in the workplace, The Office of Global Learning is committed in expanding and providing international internships to all students. Students have the option to complete their internship on our Rome campus or with a partner provider. Walsh University identified CAPA (www.capa.org) as a global partner that facilitates internships and opportunities. (Featured Locations: Shanghai, China; Sydney, Australia; Buenos Aires, Argentina; and London, England).

This coming year we are excited to once again offer our eight week Rome semester experiences (two in the Fall and one in the Spring), our May Rome program, our 2 Blouin Global Scholar Programs (Uganda and Rome), as well as programs to US/MX Border, Tanzania, Uruguay, Haiti, Mexico, Uganda, and affinity programs to Rome for Track/Cross Country and Women's soccer.

The Global Learning Office will also continue to seek new opportunities for students through internships, clinical hours, practicum experiences, exchanges, and faculty-led programs.

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walshglobal Meet @walshuniversity student Phil Kopatz (@phil_kopatz), a senior honors history major. This summer Phil said YES to an international internship and is now interning at the America House in Kyiv, Ukraine. In addition to planning and implementing programs introducing Ukrainians to American history and customs, Phil is learning about local culture and studying the Russian language. #walshglobal #cavsinteworld hackneyed_grant He should be studying Ukrainian if he's in Kyiv. 🇺🇸

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JUNE 18



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Assisi, Italy

walshglobal The Walsh Chamber Choir will be performing this morning at the Pentecost Mass at the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi! kookkook Squad goals

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MAY 20



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Rocca San Pietro - Velletri, Roma, Italia

walshglobal "For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved." Romans 10:10

The Walsh University Nursing Students had the amazing opportunity to go to the papal audience today, see the pope and receive a blessing. We are truly blessed to be here in Rome experiencing everything the Catholic faith has to offer! ❤️
-Hannah Broniszewski
apoeske Awesome shot!
walshglobal Thanks Abby!! @apoeske

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DECEMBER 8, 2017



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walshglobal Currently @walshuniversity Global Learning Students are on 3 different continents outside of North America! #rugby🏏 #Italy🇮🇹 #Tanzania🇹🇿 #cavsinteworld

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MAY 9



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walshglobal Stop by #CampDarfur today in the Toot GLC to learn more about what @activism and @walshuniversity Blouin class of 2018 are doing to end genocide and mass atrocities. #cavsinteworld pacifiquenyonzima Never Again!

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APRIL 6



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walshglobal @walshuniversity alum Fr. Patrick Soka (85) showing Sophomore Blouin Global Scholars self-sustaining farming at Kibosho seminary in Tanzania. #walshglobal #cavsinteworld #alumswork #foodmatters

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DECEMBER 18, 2017



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walshglobal #AdvocacyAction! @walshuniversity students @katpaul_4 @gilmore.amy discussing the Eli Wiesel Genocide and Atrocities Prevention Act with Congressman @jimrenacci #cavsinteworld

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Port-au-Prince, Haiti

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Colosseum - Coliseum - Rome

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OCTOBER 28, 2017



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walshglobal Great day of learning for @walshuniversity #walshglobal students on Spring Break programs. Student Courtney Boreman learning at St. Damien's hospital in #Haiti. Top right- Border program visiting the Hooling Institute in #Guatemala and (bottom right) the students in #Guatemala🇬🇹 started their global health sessions with UNIVA. #cavsinteworld

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MARCH 6



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walshglobal @walshuniversity students and faculty in Tanzania are at the Kibosho School of Nursing and the Kibosho Hospital. Both School and Hospital are a part of the Department of Health with the Diocese of Moshi. #cavsinteworld



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walshglobal British Museum- ✓ Canterbury Cathedral- ✓ Stonehenge- ✓ Dover Castle- ✓ @walshuniversity students studying abroad in London found the best way to celebrate the New Year! We hope to see you in 2019! #cavsinteworld #walshglobal #ccsa