Greetings from the Center for International Education! Fall 2018 programs are wrapping up soon, including our inaugural Florence program and our new international students (pictured above) are enjoying their time here in Charleston!

**Fall 2018 Statistics:**

- **152** CofC students are studying abroad this semester.

- The CIE awarded over $80,000 in scholarships to students who are studying abroad.

- CofC students are studying in 24 different countries throughout Asia, Africa, Europe, Oceania, South America, the Caribbean, and North America.

**Photo Contest Winners**

- **Global Classroom** - Classroom in the Clouds by John Wilson (top left second page)
- **Culture, Customs and Traditions** - Birthday Shrine at Shwedagon Pagoda by Andi McAfee (top middle second page)
- **Living Like a Local** - La Vida en el Carme by Hannah Winstead (top right second page)
- **Video** - Trujillo through the Semester by Kylie Wehunt (available on CIE website)

**The Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2019**

Recognized among the top 200 Universities in the world are several of our Exchange Partners:

- **#79** - University of Groningen (Netherlands)
- **#89** - University of Tübingen (Germany)
- **#149** - University of Nottingham (United Kingdom)
- **#161** - University of Sussex (United Kingdom)

**Upcoming Events**

- International Education Week: November 12-16
  - Photo Contest Winners displayed in Addlestone Library all week
  - Flag Ceremony: Wednesday, November 14th | 5:00pm | Cougar Mall.

- CofC Faculty-led Study Abroad Fair: Wednesday, November 14th | 10:00am-2:00pm | Cougar Mall.

**New Look**

Our application portal, ViaTRM, will be undergoing a major update. The team at Via is adding several new features and completely revamping the design of the site. These updates will allow us to operate more efficiently and provide a more user-friendly experience for students, faculty, and staff.
CofC Program Highlights

Spring Break 2019
- The Scotland Biology program will provide Honors students the opportunity to study genetics alongside biomedical researchers. Scotland has developed nationalized genetics programs that aim to collect genetic data and medical history information from a large number of its citizens. It is the perfect environment for students to interplay the basic genetic science, translational medicine, and public policy.

Summer 2019
- What kinds of lessons could we learn from studying and comparing Reggae and Hip-Hop? The African American Studies program in Jamaica seeks to answer this question and introduce students to the distinct history and culture of the African American community. Music is an important part of that culture, providing us with a lens through which we can see our history and society more clearly.

Around the College
- Administrative Coordinator, Stephanie Todt recently attended the IFSA (Butler) Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana focused on Intercultural Agility in Study Abroad.

- Our new International Students are already adjusting to life here in Charleston thanks to fun activities such as shopping at Target, beach day at Isle of Palms, a Charleston History Cruise and a trip to Middleton Plantation!

- The CIE is now accepting scholarship applications for the Summer 2019 term. Students should apply online at: http://international.cofc.edu/study-abroad/scholarships.php. Applications for Summer 2019 are due February 22nd.

Around the World
- CofC alum Brianna Mawra is one of Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange for Young Professionals (CBYX) fellowship recipients this year. Brianna arrived in Germany in early August and completed a two-month intensive German language class. This fall, Brianna will attend a German university and then complete an internship at a German organization.

- CofC in Santiago, Chile participants recently completed their excursion to Peru where they visited ancient monuments of the Inca Empire including Machu Picchu.

Staff Spotlight
Stephanie Todt has served as the Administrative Coordinator in CIE since August 2016. Stephanie graduated from Suffolk University (Boston, MA) with a BS in Business Administration (Marketing) in 2013 and earned her M.Ed. in Counselor Education (Student Affairs) from Clemson University in 2015. She studied abroad in London at Regent’s American University London. She was also able to visit Sweden, Italy, Spain, Scotland, France, and Ireland during her semester abroad. Stephanie’s role at CIE involves supervising the Peer Advisors, managing social media, coordinating assessment, and overseeing ViaTRM.