Join us for our January editions of our Study Abroad 101 info sessions. Learn all the ins and outs of the study abroad process, from choosing a program to the application process and beyond.

GW students interested in studying at RHUL have the option of courses from twenty academic departments, including Mathematics, Computer Science, and Business Administration. RHUL's world-leading faculty offer comprehensive support in conducting research and preparing for a competitive job market.

Did you know, students from Royal Holloway, University of London won three top prizes in recent cybersecurity competitions, the International Capture the Flag Competition? RHUL is an Academic Centre of Excellence in Cyber Security Research and has been performing outstanding research work in this area for over a decade. Its world-leading faculty offer comprehensive support in conducting research and preparing for a competitive job market.

Like all programs with a competitive application process, RHUL's program is only for students who have demonstrated excellence in their studies. They are looking for top students who can bring something unique and valuable to their institution.

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1. Boren Scholarship: This scholarship is available for students who are interested in studying abroad in countries that are critical to national security. To be eligible, you must be a U.S. citizen and have a minimum GPA of 3.0. The deadline for applications is January 12, 2021.

2. Gilman Scholarship: This scholarship is available for students who are interested in studying abroad in countries that are critical to national security, but who do not have the financial resources to do so. To be eligible, you must be a U.S. citizen, have a minimum GPA of 3.0, and demonstrate financial need. The deadline for applications is January 12, 2021.

Both scholarships provide significant funds to help you finance your study abroad experience. Learn how to apply and find more information on these and other scholarship opportunities at our office's website.

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Virtual Chilean Excursion

Two guided virtual tours this month (in Spanish). These tours are sponsored by the Office of Study Abroad and are free to GW Study Abroad alumni. To register, please click here.

These tours provide an opportunity to experience the culture and natural beauty of Chile, which is affiliated with Universidad de Chile (one of Chile's leading universities). You will learn about the university's history, its contributions to Latin American culture, and its current research initiatives. The tour will also include a visit to Chile's Museo de Arte Contemporáneo (MAC), a museum dedicated to the arts of Latin America.

The first virtual tour is scheduled for January 14th, and the second is scheduled for January 21st. Both tours will start at 4 pm PST. Check out their Page for more Info or to register for the tour.

The Gilman Global Scholars Network

Recently, we had the opportunity to feature a Gilman Scholar on our website, Maria, who shared her experiences in Spain. Maria is a Gilman Scholar who has participated in a study abroad program in Spain, and she is now sharing her experiences with others.

Maria shared her experience in Spain with us, highlighting the value of study abroad programs and encouraging others to apply. Her story is a great example of how study abroad can provide invaluable opportunities to learn about different cultures and perspectives. We encourage you to read her story and to learn more about the Gilman Global Scholars Network of people and opportunities. Find more about Maria on our website.

Virtual Excursions

Excursions which students could not easily do on their own will be offered this month! These virtual excursions will be led by Maria Angeles Alonso, the Resident Director of the Office of Study Abroad. Maria will share her experiences and to learn first-hand what is happening with all kinds of refugees in Spain and around the world. The visit often leaves a significant impact on the students, and with several of our students staying in Cáceres and Mérida, two cities designated as World Heritage sites by UNESCO, the opportunity to volunteer with Rescate is a great way to share your experiences and to make a difference.

Many of these students have come to Spain to volunteer with Rescate, a group that offers language immersion programs for students interested in learning about the refugee crisis in Europe. The group provides language classes and opportunities to volunteer with refugees, including participating in an olive tasting. This excursion brings to life a side of Spain which would be nearly impossible for students to experience on their own.

Maria has also arranged for the students to visit the International Center for Human Rights and Human Dignity, which focuses on refugees and other displaced persons. This center is affiliated with Universidad de Chile and offers programs to students interested in learning about human rights issues. Maria has also arranged for the students to visit other cultural and educational sites in Chile, including the University of Chile's Museo de Arte Contemporáneo (MAC), a museum dedicated to the arts of Latin America.

The Virtual Chilean Excursion and the Gilman Global Scholars Network are just two of the many exciting opportunities available to GW students interested in studying abroad. Our office is here to support you in your journey and to ensure that you have a memorable experience.

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