Honors Inquiry In Ireland

This summer, eleven (11) honors students from Georgia Southern University participated in a Study Abroad trip based in Savannah, Georgia and Waterford, Ireland. Students conducted research on both sides of the Atlantic to investigate the Irish who came to Savannah. In the archives, they pored over letters, newspaper accounts and ship logs to bring to life this untold story of Irish migration. Read
Williams's Eye Internship
Kori Williams never believed she would engage with cutting-edge laboratory technologies as an undergraduate. In a ten-week summer research experience for undergraduates at the University of Vermont, Williams worked in the field of neuroscience, specializing in proteins and eye development.

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Kayla Smith's APProach to the Medical Field
Smith uses new research techniques in her classes at Georgia Southern University

Every year, many Georgia Southern University Honors Program students travel around the globe. Click here to find out more about their adventures!
Kayla Smith’s summer internship with Emory University reaffirmed her passions for the medical field and put her on the right track for medical school.

Smith, a biology major ('15) interned with Dr. Rachel Patzer at Emory University School of Medicine. Dr. Patzer specializes in kidney transplants, and her team developed an application called, “iChoose Kidney.” Smith worked to train nephrologists—kidney doctors—in how the app worked. The app, which was based on the experiences of thousands of patients, was tested by Smith for feasibility and effectiveness.

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Honors Alumni News

40 Under 40
Dr. Steven Engel greets Honors alumni at Georgia Southern Alumni luncheon for the Top 40 under 40 alumni. Six graduates made the list.
Click here to see who!

Alumni Leadership Teams Forming
Dr. Engel is meeting with alumni across the state to plan future honors alumni events. Here he is in Savannah with Bell Honors Program and University Honors Program alumni.

Honors Alumni are encouraged to update their information here!

Justin Yun Hikes the Appalachian Trail
Justin Yun at the Great Smoky Mountains, midway point on the Appalachian Trail

Some students might see college as a mountain to climb with a degree at the summit. Justin Yun, however, found that the path is not always straight and that the journey might be just as important. Last March, Yun (Outdoor Recreation, '16) began a six month excursion hiking the Appalachian Trail thinking as much about the direction of the trail as he did the direction of his education and his recent change in major from chemistry to outdoor recreation. “If you don’t challenge yourself, you’re never going to know where you can go. This trip was a fresh start,” Yun said.

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Ferianente Earns Chemistry Internship
Cameron Feriante worked with synthetic fabrics at Milliken & Co. in South Carolina

Cameron Feriante (Chemistry, '15) spent ten weeks this past summer on an internship he won through the Society for Chemical Industry (SCI) America International Group and the American Chemical Society. This opportunity placed Feriante with Milliken & Company in Spartanburg, South Carolina, a company that develops synthetic flooring, flame resistant fabrics, and infrastructure. He also received a stipend, housing, and funding for travel.

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From the Deep South to the Far East: A Year Abroad in Nisshin, Japan
Nicole Puckett learning to perform an ancient Japanese tea ceremony

Leaving home to attend college is a challenging endeavor for many students. Leaving the country to study abroad for a full year raises the challenge to a different level altogether. The immersion in a new language and culture, coupled with a new way of seeing and being seen. Nicole Puckett (International Studies, '15) experienced all of that as she spent a year abroad in Japan.

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Pullen's Summer Research

Eboni Pullen spent her summer in a biochemistry research experience at the University of Cincinnati and came away with new knowledge and research that is being readied for publication. This research, “The
Mechanistic and Kinetic Studies of a New ROS-Activated Compound,” is currently in manuscript-development.

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The Georgia Southern University Honors Program is designed to foster the development of a critical sense of inquiry, a spirit of creativity, a global perspective and an ethic of civic responsibility. With your investment, the University Honors Program will continue to enrich the lives of students at Georgia Southern University.

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