

# GREETINGS FROM THE OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (OIS)



International Studies Newsletter

## Welcome back to school:

The Office of International Studies would like to welcome you all back to school and wish you have a wonderful semester! This semester, we have more international programs available to expand your borders.

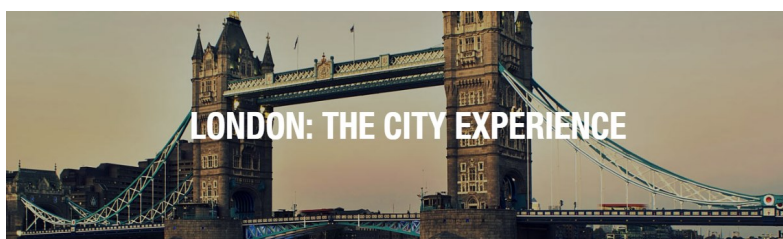
## Travel Opportunities:



**Brazil:** May 13th to May 25th 2017, Dr. Rebecca Splan will take students to Brazil, one of the most biologically diverse regions of the world, to explore cattle production. Students will develop global and integrated insights into cattle ranching and environmental stewardship, and learn how rural farmers and ranchers balance the ongoing expansion of agriculture with conservation of rare and valuable ecosystems.

For more information, please contact Dr. Rebecca Splan at [rebecca.splan@sulross.edu](mailto:rebecca.splan@sulross.edu), or Dr. Bonnie Warnock at [bwarnock@sulross.edu](mailto:bwarnock@sulross.edu).

**London:** Sully is excited to announce that he will be heading to London and Paris in May. He still has room in his group for some of his friends to join the trip. The trip will take you to Windsor Castle, the Louvre, Stone Henge and many other truly historic and exciting places.



Sully and his friends will be leaving May 24th for a 9-day adventure. Visit [www.efcst.com/1855646WS](http://www.efcst.com/1855646WS) for detailed itinerary and enrolling in the program.

Contact Dr. Kennard Laviers at [kennard.laviers@sulross.edu](mailto:kennard.laviers@sulross.edu) or 407-417-7174 if you have any questions.

**China:** Also in May, Professor Gregory Tegarden, along with Ruoxi Wu, will escort students in a cultural visit to China, hosted by Talent International College Guangxi. The group will be attending classes like Chinese calligraphy, Kung Fu, Nixing Pottery, as well as sightseeing and shopping. Gregory Tegarden will conduct two ceramic workshops at Talent International College and Qinzhou University. There is still room for couple more students on the trip. If you are interested, contact Ruoxi Wu at [rxw14yb@sulross.edu](mailto:rxw14yb@sulross.edu) or 432-413-0062 for more information and enrolling in the Program. Applications are accepted until March 10th, 2017.



## Cultural Encounters:

February 20th, the first visiting group, three girls from Heze University, will be on campus starting their three-week adventure; the second group, six students and a guide teacher from Talent International College Guangxi, will be arriving in April. Visiting students will be attending classes, joining in campus activities, and visiting local churches, government offices, schools, and businesses. They will be dining in SRSU cafeteria for many meals. If you see them there, please go say hi and join them for the meal. This is a great opportunity to build long-lasting international friendships. We would love to invite SRSU students and community members to get involved with our visitors. If you would be interested in hosting the students at your home for a visit, a meal, or a movie/game night, or as a host family, please contact Ruoxi Wu at [rxw14yb@sulross.edu](mailto:rxw14yb@sulross.edu).

## New Contacts:

Our Provost, Dr. Jimmy Case lead a group to South Africa to explore the possibility of establishing relationships that will lead to international students coming to Alpine and Alpine students travelling to South Africa.

The delegation consisted of Dr. Case, Dr. Shabazz, Dean of Education & Professional Studies, Dr. Kinucan, Dean of Agriculture & Natural Resource Sciences, Dr. Downing, Dean Arts & Sciences and Dr. Rumsey, Director of Office of International Studies.



National Parks Headquarters



Diplomatic Liason Office



Meeting with representatives of the Mayor's office and the Metropolitan police department

