

Congratulations to our International Student Graduates!



On Saturday, May 11, Kirkwood had 656 graduates and 4,359 guests at the Commencement Ceremony. Pictured on this page are a few of Kirkwood's International student graduates.

Congratulations to all.

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Student Reminder

A reminder to all students that Kirkwood is currently observing summer hours. This means the campus is only open until noon on Fridays. If you need to meet with anyone on campus on Fridays, you will need to make sure to go before noon. Offices are still open until 5:00pm Monday through Thursday.

International Programs **Calendar of Events**

► **June 20rd through July 4th – Cedar Rapids Freedom Festival** ⇒ For complete schedule of events go to: www.freedomfestival.com/events/

► **June 20th - 23rd Cedar Rapids BBQ Roundup** ⇒ Time: 11:00am - 10:00pm , McGrath Amphitheatre, 475 First Street SW, Cedar Rapids , IA.

► **June 20th – The Five Seasons Ski Team** ⇒ Time: 7:00pm - 8:00pm , Ellis Park 2021 Ellis Blvd NW , Cedar Rapids , IA.

► **June 25th – Balloon Glow** ⇒ Time: 6:00pm - 10:00pm , Sinclair Levy 1430 2nd St SE, Cedar Rapids

► **June 27th– 30th– Dock Dogs®** ⇒ XTime: 10:00am - 6:00pm , National Czech and Slovak Museum & Library , 1400 Inspiration Place SW, Cedar Rapids, IA.

► **June 29th – Freedom Fest Parade** ⇒ Be part of the Freedom Fest Parade on Saturday, June 29th and join the Kirkwood group, walking the parade route and handing out candy. This year the parade will travel through the Czech Village and NewBo area. For more information contact Jane Ann Rix at jane.rix@kirkwood.edu for line up time and instructions.

F1 Student **Features**

- If you are traveling during the Summer vacation, don't forget to stop by the International Programs office or Iowa City One Stop to get a travel signature on your I-20. This should be done at least one week before you leave.
- The second application deadline for Fall scholarships is quickly approaching! If you would like to be considered, apply by July 15th: <http://www.kirkwood.edu/scholarships> Summer classes start on May 20th – if you are taking any online or in person classes, get registered today!
- Now is the time to get registered for Fall classes. Do you have a favorite professor? Get a spot in their class! Do you struggle with early morning classes? Register now so that you have the ideal class times for your learning style! Log into EagleNet to register today.

Summer 2019 **Orientation**



This summer, International Programs welcomed 6 new international students to the Kirkwood Community. These students came from the following countries: Brazil, China, Congo-Kinshasa, Ethiopia, Iran and Uganda.

Welcome to ALL!

Updated Information **Needed**

Attention ALL international F1 visa students, International Programs is requesting that all international students update their contact information. This information is extremely important for us to have, should there be an emergency. If we do not have your current information, we would be unable to reach the individuals who would need to be contacted should any unforeseen events occur. Please go to **My Hub** to update your information.



Eagles Abroad: May was a busy month for Kirkwood Study Abroad! 44 students participated in one of four study abroad programs this past month. Here are some of the highlights:

Australia, Global Business: 19 students traveled with faculty leaders

Mark Abel And Erin Brokel to Sydney and Melbourne to complete

a global marketing project. Prior to departure the students worked virtually with their Australian peers to design a marketing plan for a local company in Melbourne. The project culminated with a group presentation to industry in Melbourne. In addition to the project, the group enjoyed cultural activities such as hiking the Blue Mountains, The Great Ocean Road, shopping at Victorian Market, and exploring Sydney Harbour.

Australia, Global Education Network



(GEN): 11 Kirkwood students traveled with faculty leader Jody Weigel to complete academic and cultural experiences in Melbourne. The students took classes and teamed up with their peers from Australia, Canada and Singapore on this GEN program. 4 students completed academic and field experiences in Human Services, 3 students focused on Animal Sciences and 4 Kirkwood students completed a Project Management experience with the Great Ocean Road Running Festival. Cultural opportunities included an Australian Rules Football (AFL) game, Phillips Island and the Great Ocean Road.

Denmark, Entrepreneurship and Creativity: Faculty leader Todd Saville and Jon Weih

went abroad with 5 students to Roskilde and Copenhagen. The group teamed up with their Danish peers from Zealand Institute of Business and Technolo-



gy (ZIBAT) to complete a project working with a local company. When they were not in the classroom, the group explored castles, Tivoli Garden, biked through downtown Copenhagen and took a ride on a Viking ship.

Greece, Service and Culture: Faculty leaders Serena Tarr and Brooke Strahn-

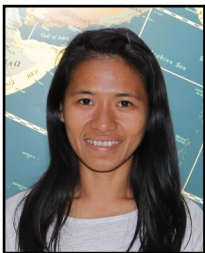
Koller led a group of 9 Kirkwood stu-



dents on an impactful service-learning program. The Kirkwood group partnered with Cross Cultural Solutions at the Ritsona Refugee Camp. The camp is home to refugees from Syria and other locations. The Kirkwood group stayed busy cleaning the female friendly space at the camp, planting a garden and working in the clothing distribution center. When they were not at the camp, they visited sites in Athens, Evia Islands and explored the oceanfront town of Chalkida.

Alumni Spotlight

International Student Alumni of the Month



Ziadah Ziad is our International Alumni this month. Ziadah is from Indonesia and attended Kirkwood from 2015-2016. Ziadah pursued a liberal arts degree with a focus on journalism, literature, and visual art. She enjoyed her time at Kirkwood making lifelong friends, enhancing her writing and photography skills,

and learning about various cultures. One aspect of American culture she misses the most, is the access to physical and digital libraries and the ability to "surf on millions of journals, books, and printed newspapers". Upon coming to the US, Ziadah wanted to be a writer and she was told by many that "Iowa is a land of writers" and upon leaving the US, this dream became reality. Ziadah currently works in Indonesia as a freelancer for various companies and stakeholders and recently published a book titled, "Bed Time Thought".

Study Abroad Alumni of the Month



Matt Greiner is this month's Kirkwood Study Abroad Alumni. Matt is from Iowa City and attended Kirkwood from 2013-2018. He earned two degrees from Kirkwood, one Associate of Arts and the other Culinary Arts. While studying at Kirkwood, Matt participated in a Culinary Arts study abroad

program to the Apicius School of the Arts in Florence, Italy. He and several classmates and friends, were invited back to Italy to "familiarize and perfect recipes at the James Beard House in fall 2017". Matt was invited to Italy again to take Apicius' Master's Program in Italian cuisine. His experiences have influenced his life, and career. "This was something I had never imagined doing and find this experience an invaluable learning tool going forward in my career" he noted. He has completed the Master's Program and is continuing his career in Italy.

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GENERAL INFO

Iowa City

Iowa City Resources for International Students

Kirkwood students in Iowa City, if you would like to practice speaking English informally with a conversation partner or small group there are opportunities for you. Please go to the website for [community resources](#) with opportunities listed.

International Advisors at Iowa City Campus

Schedule of dates advisors will be on Iowa City Campus

June 4 — 11:00am — 4:00pm

June 5 — 10:00am — 4:00pm

June 11 — 11:00am — 4:00pm

June 12 — 8:00am — 4:00pm

June 19 — 8:00am — 4:00pm

June 25 — 11:00am — 4:00pm

June 26 — 8:00am — 4:00pm

Community Resources

Have questions regarding the resources available to the community at the Iowa City Campus?

Please contact

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Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday: 8 a.m. - Noon

Cedar Rapids

Info for Cedar Rapids City Bus Users

If you're waiting for the bus and wonder where it's at, simply go to Ridecrt.com. Click on the route number and an arrow will show exactly which street or intersection your bus is at.

Please remember, that you may ride the bus on routes **7** and **11** for free when you show your Kirkwood Eagle card with the bus sticker on it.

The bus is FREE on Saturdays.

Global Spotlight

Kirkwood's International Programs will be featuring a different country each month for our "Global Spotlight". This is an opportunity for our international students to showcase their country and its culture. International students will be able to organize events, display cultural artifacts, and help to educate others about their country. Students are encouraged to participate and be a part of this community enriching activity.

For more information about Global Spotlight call Jane Ann Rix at:

319-398-7663 or email to
jane.rix@kirkwood.edu

Mentor Families

If you are a new or continuing international visa student and are interested in finding a mentor family,

contact Shannon Ingleby at 319-398-5293 in the International Programs office for information.

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