We are grateful that all UC students in Paris are safe and wish to express our extreme appreciation to UC study center staff and partners in Paris.

To all of our friends, colleagues and partners in France, "Notre amitié, notre solidarité et nos pensées sont avec vous, vos étudiants et vos collègues, ainsi qu’avec le Peuple de France."

Appointment of New UCEAP Associate Vice Provost & Executive Director
Dr. Vivan-Lee Nyitray begins Jan 1, 2016

Following an extensive international search, UCEAP announces the appointment of Dr. Vivan-Lee Nyitray as its new Associate Vice Provost and Executive Director, effective January 1, 2016.

Dr. Nyitray comes to UCEAP after an extensive academic career, over twenty years of which were spent at UC Riverside. She enters her new role with considerable experience with UCEAP, including a three-year appointment as Faculty Director in the Netherlands; most recently she was one of three UC faculty members selected to lead one of
UCEAP’s 50th anniversary programs.

As the next Associate Vice Provost and Executive Director, Dr. Nyitray will manage the University of California’s systemwide study abroad program, with responsibility for all UCEAP programming, operations, faculty and staff in the UCEAP systemwide office and overseas. She inherits a hallmark UC program that—for over 50 years—has been a national leader in delivering high quality education abroad experiences for UC students and for reciprocity students coming to UC from around the world.

Dr. Nyitray will succeed Professor Jean-Xavier Guinard of UC Davis who served in the role since October 2010. Read more >>

Introducing the Marcum Society
Celebrating our most faithful supporters

Loyal donors are the cornerstone of our success, providing the means by which UCEAP can carry out its mission. In recognition of this important commitment, The Marcum Society honors alumni giving to UCEAP - from our Charter members, who are just beginning their lifelong commitment to annual giving, to our Lifetime supporters, who have given to the program for 20 or more years. We are excited to welcome over 25 alumni and friends who qualified for the society this past year! Gifts of any amount to any scholarship or program for the past two consecutive years are counted towards Marcum Society membership. Consecutive years of giving are counted by fiscal year, which runs from July 1 to June 30. If you are already a donor, we hope you will consider giving again this year. For first time donors, it has never been easier to support UCEAP! Every gift truly makes a difference and small gifts can quickly add up to make a big impact.

The society is named in honor of John A. Marcum. Under his leadership from 1990 to 2007, the number of students studying abroad through UCEAP increased substantially, and UC partnered with leading universities in Asia, Latin America, Africa and Europe to create new and more diverse opportunities for students to study, research and participate in overseas internships. Click here for more information about the Marcum Society and other donor recognition programs at UCEAP.

Go online at alumni.eap.ucop.edu/give to make your gift today using our secure online giving page. To receive a 2015 tax deduction, please make your gift by December 31. For additional information or questions, contact Elizabeth Janis Perl
The Scottish Parliament on Twitter

Spending a quarter or semester interning for the office of a member of the Scottish Parliament (MSP) can offer a student an impressive array of new opportunities and experiences. That's exactly what UCSB student Sabrina McGraw learned when she began her internship with MSP Dennis Robertson this fall. One of her newfound responsibilities entailed keeping MSP Robertson's constituents updated and engaged in a unique way – by tweeting from the perspective of his visual guide dog, Mr. Q! More than 1,000 people follow Sabrina's regular updates from the perspective of Mr. Q, bringing lighthearted attention to the important role of guide dogs in Scottish society. You can see what Sabrina and Mr. Q are up to by following their Twitter account.

Mr Q @Mr_Q_dog · Oct 15

Bit of an early start this morning but enough time for a little snooze before the big #SNP15!

Thank You to our Alumni Scholarship Readers!

Special thanks to the 40 UCEAP alumni who volunteered as Scholarship Readers in the most recent scholarship review round. The volunteer readers joined UCEAP staff in reviewing and scoring each of the applications. Thank you for your time and dedication!
538 applications we received. Over 160 students were selected for scholarships of $2,000 each to help with the cost of their upcoming Spring 2016 term abroad.

Thank you to everyone who reviewed applications – we couldn’t do this without you! To participate in our next scholarship review, sign up [here](#) today!

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**Bordeaux 1968-69 Alumni Reunion**

In September, over 20 members of the 1968-69 Bordeaux cohort returned to France for a reunion. The trip started with several days in Pau, where the group had participated in an intensive language program in the summer of 1968. The reunion continued in Bordeaux, where events included a walking tour of the city, a visit to the University of Bordeaux campus at Talance, a discussion with current UCEAP students, and a reunion dinner.

During the special remembrance event, alumni shared memories of their fellow students who passed away, and lit lanterns with their names to fly out over the city. The group then traveled to the Dordogne region of France for a few days of exploring, which included a trip to Lascaux II, lunch in scenic villages, and tours of medieval castles. It was a wonderful time for old friends and classmates to reconnect and to practice their excellent French language skills!
Distinguished Alumni & Emerging Leader Awards
Nominations due March 31st

UCEAP is excited to again offer two alumni awards, the Linda Duttenhaver Distinguished Alumni Award and the UCEAP Emerging Leader Award.

Named after one of UCEAP's strongest supporters and alumna, the Linda Duttenhaver Distinguished Alumni Award honors an alumna or alumnus who has a record of extraordinary service or achievement in their field and has made a significant impact on the global community. In 2015, Dr. Kathryn D. Sullivan, Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere and NOAA Administrator, was selected to receive the second annual Linda Duttenhaver Distinguished Alumni Award. Dr. Sullivan studied abroad with UCEAP at the University of Bergen in Norway in 1971-72, while she was a student at UC Santa Cruz. Click here to watch Dr. Sullivan accept the award!

The UCEAP Emerging Leader Award focuses on an alumna or alumnus who completed a UCEAP program within the past 15 years and exhibits outstanding leadership and a passion for study abroad, global issues or international education. The 2015 UCEAP Emerging Leader Award was given to Jessica Price Petrelli (pictured above), the principal of Helms Middle School in San Pablo, CA and a passionate urban school educator for the past nine years. Jessica studied at Complutense University in Madrid, Spain in 2004-05 while she was a student at UC Santa Barbara.

UCEAP is pleased to highlight the many and varied accomplishments of our alumni through these awards. Nominations are now being accepted and both awards will be presented at the 2016 Annual Conference in June. The deadline for submitting a nomination is March 31, 2016. All alumni are eligible for this award. Learn more about the awards process and read about previous award recipients on our website.

Videos from UK & Hong Kong Reunion at UCSF
On August 29, UCEAP hosted an alumni reunion event at UCSF's Mission Bay Conference Center. Honored UCEAP alumni guests Ambassador (Ret) Barbara Bodine (Hong Kong) and 2013 Nobel Laureate Dr. Randy Schekman (Scotland) spoke to the audience about their time abroad and the impact it had on their very successful careers. Videos of Ambassador (Ret) Barbara Bodine's speech and Dr. Randy Schekman's address are now available on our YouTube channel!

U.S. Ambassador to Argentina Meets with UCEAP Students in Buenos Aires
The U.S. Ambassador in Buenos Aires, Mr. Noah Mamet (a UCLA alumnus), had an exciting encounter with UCEAP students at the Universidad Nacional de Tres de Febrero, offering students the chance to ask questions for nearly an hour. Hosted by the UNTREF Rector, Anibal Jozami, UCEAP students from the program at the Universidad Torcuato di Tella were also invited, and enjoyed Ambassador Mamet’s excellent humor and encouraging message. He announced a new Fulbright scholarship for Argentine public university students to promote U.S.-Argentine exchange. More about the Ambassador’s approach to study abroad is available here.

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**Reciprocity Student Spotlight: Johanna Pelzer**

**Free University of Berlin – UC Riverside 2014-15**

“I had a great time on campus and a very diversified experience in Southern California. I had the chance to choose classes according to my interests and major at home,” said Johanna Pelzer of her UC Riverside experience.

“I also participated in the school’s track and field team and was very happy to gain an insight into the athletics offered by the school.” Though NCAA rules did not allow Johanna to compete on behalf of UC Riverside, she would encourage everyone to join a team sport at their host UC campus. “It is the best way to meet people and make friends. They introduced me to American culture and I was a part of the group in no time. I would recommend it to anyone who has played sports in their home country.”
Two UCEAP Internships for Madrid Reciprocity Student: Spain & California

"My name is Daniel Hernández, I’m an undergraduate student from Madrid, Spain and I’m currently studying a double degree in Journalism and Film Studies at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid. In 2014, I decided to study abroad at UCSB as an UCEAP reciprocity student, and I feel that was the best decision I’ve ever made in my life. I even worked as an intern at the UCEAP systemwide office for the Reciprocal Exchanges unit. I had a great experience, thanks to all the new friends and unforgettable memories I made at UCSB.

As soon as my adventure abroad finished and I got back to Spain, I started looking for internship opportunities that involved international people and services to help orient them in their study abroad experience here in Madrid, and I couldn’t find a better one. Our UCEAP students from each campus come to Madrid every semester and now I have the perfect chance to give them the best of me so they can bring great memories back home."

Now I’m working at UCEAP Madrid Study Center. Thanks UC!
UCEAP Students in Cape Town Learn About Apartheid and Nelson Mandela

UCEAP students attending the University of Cape Town participated in a day excursion to Robben Island, which included a ferry trip across the picturesque Table Bay, a visit to the Maximum Security Prison and a bus tour of the island. Eric Chau of UC Irvine was one of the 28 students in the group. In addition to providing feedback on his experience, Eric also kindly provided photographs of two iconic landmarks which are synonymous with the Robben Island tour experience, namely Table Mountain (below left) and the prison cell of Nelson Mandela (below right).

As Eric writes: “My recent trip to Robben Island was both intriguing and insightful. Robben Island is home to the former prison where activists against the apartheid government were held. Here, I learned about the lives of former prison inmates, and the life of Nelson Mandela during his prison sentence. My guide, a former prisoner who was sentenced for 15 years for acts of 'sabotage' against the apartheid government, spoke of the hardships prisoners had to endure. If I could compare Robben Island to anywhere in California, it would be Alcatraz Island as the waters are also shark infested and it was difficult to escape. Perhaps what made this trip to Robben Island most insightful is that the movement for democracy in South Africa was not the sole act of one man, but by many groups and individuals who wanted equality against an unjust government.”

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