Greetings to all from the International Programs Center (IPC):

Welcome to a new academic year! With a record student body of 16,000 this fall, we are welcoming our largest group of international students ever. Among the 83 countries represented we now have students from Latvia, Niger, Israel, Turkey and St. Kitts & Nevis. As we continue to internationalize at UNCG, more students are preparing to study overseas, and several disciplines are integrating study abroad options into their curricula. We are developing even more opportunities for students to go abroad. And, this year we will finalize the structure for the International Honors College, which officially opens in Fall 2006. Faculty members across campus are contributing to the effort by advising students, conducting research with international components, and presenting ever more papers at international conferences.

Our international partners are critical components of our internationalization, and we look forward to strengthening our programs.

"Explore the World: Discover Yourself"

Best wishes,

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Chancellor Patricia Sullivan welcomes international students to UNCG!
Interlink Student Article

By INTERLINK Language Center Student, Yoonsuh Lee

Before I came to the United States, I tried to be strong enough to study abroad because it was my first time to leave my family, and I hadn’t experienced the college life in Korea. My original plan was to go to a Pennsylvania private college or go to a New Jersey state university, but my father wanted me to learn English first and experience the college life as part time student. Finally, I found out that INTERLINK, an English as a Second Language Center at UNCG, has a good program, so I decided to go to Greensboro. It was an unexpected plan, so I was more nervous to go to the United States.

When I arrived here, I thought I could make so many friends. However, it was not that easy to make friends. I think I was too shy to say simple sentences to make international friends, “Hi my name is Yoonsuh. What is your name? Where are you from?” So, I could not meet all of the international students here. However, as time went by, I could say hello to people and tried to make friends as many as I could. So last semester, I made good friends who are from Mexico, Japan, China, United Kingdom, Germany, France, Spain, Taiwan, and United States! These days, I cannot talk to all of my friends from last semester often because of time difference between Greensboro and their home countries.

Now, I really want to make new international friends who are studying at UNCG right now. That is one of my goals for this semester. Moreover, I have such a good reason to make international friends. Now, I am the ISA Public Relations officer! I was so glad that I could get this position here, and have more chances to meet people. For this position, I would like to help international friends as much as I can, and also want to be a nice Korean girl.

Friday Fest

Upcoming Friday Fests

September 9  Australia
September 16  Mexico
September 23  Denmark
September 30  Canada
October 7    Finland
October 14   United Kingdom
October 21   Estonia & New Zealand
October 28   China
November 4   Turkey
November 11  Austria
November 18  Sweden

USA, August 19
Germany, August 26
France, September 2
IPC is excited to have eight new student assistants this year. **Blanca Montilla** from Venezuela is a second-year MBA student. In addition to our graduate assistant, IPC welcomes seven undergraduate students. **Nina Bernges** is an English major from University of Mannheim, Germany. **Serhat Canoruc**, an ISOM major, is the first exchange student from new partner university, Yeditepe University, Turkey. **Mandy Dunlop** is a nutrition major from Ulster University, Northern Ireland. **Milla Halttu** is a marketing major from University of Oulu, Finland, whose support from the Finnish Ministry of Higher Education enables her to work with us. **Jaime Phelps** from Raleigh, NC is a media studies major, who hopes to study abroad in Angers, France. **Jennifer Riley** is a work-study student from Lumberton, NC. **Christina Thompson** is a Political Science major from Oxford, NC, who plans to study abroad during the next academic year. These students join our five returning student assistants: David DiMaria, Chris Howell, Nantida Jirurawong, Casey Niemeyer and Carmel Pynes.

**Welcome to our new student assistants!**
Welcome to Our New International Exchange Students!

AUSTRIA, Klagenfurt University, Claudia Ochsenhofer (Business); AUSTRALIA, Australian Catholic University, Ianthe Lim (Music), Daniel Meehan (Exercise & Sports Science); Deakin University, Caitlin Fitzpatrick (Dance), Arjun Jayaraj (Public Health); Edith Cowan University, Patricia Hidris (Broadcasting); RMIT, Ally Bui (Business Administration), Yande Lim (Business Administration); CANADA, Brock University, Elana Levitan (Theater); CHINA, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Lok Man Pang (Business/International Business), Kai Hong Yip (Business/International Business); DENMARK, Aarhus University, Alex Gundesen (International Business), Rasmus Nørremark (MBA); ESTONIA, Tartu University, Kaie Kubjas (Mathematics); FINLAND, University of Oulu, Milla Halttu (Marketing & Management), Maia Jokelainen (Accounting & Marketing), Marja Makitalo (History & Political Science), Elina Pernu (Marketing & Management), Anna-Leena Turtinen (Marketing) Tiia Yli-Kortesniemi (Marketing); FRANCE, University of Angers, Vincent Le Vacon (Tourism & Business); University of Lyon 3, Laure Bachy (International Business Management), Najet Bichraoui (Management), Ludovic Labbe (Economics), Guillaume Thevenin (Marketing), Maxime Tissot-Favre (Business Administration), Thomas Zorzabalbere (Business Administration); University of Paul Cezanne, Aurelie Vienot (Management & Economics); University of Rennes, Jean-Francois Cunill-Ferrer (Business), Sarah Guillouret (English Literature & Civilization); GERMANY, Fachhochschule Heilbronn, Heike Nowak (Business Administration), Malte Schmidt (Business Administration); University of Mannheim, Nina Bernges (English), Nils Adler (Economics), Daniel Alarcon Mateos (Business Administration), Jasmin Fogel (Business Administration); Fachhochschule Worms, Caroline Nirberg (Business & Economics); University of Heidelberg, Jan Egberts (Physics); University of Stuttgart, Andreas Hauser (Business Administration); JAPAN, Kansai Gaidai University, Maiko Fujimoto (Communication & French); Nara Women’s University, Yuki Nagano (Environmental Studies); MEXICO, ITESM-Guadalajara, Claudia Diaz (Organizational Communication); ITESM-Queretaro, Lilia Garcia Nunez Payan (Systems Management); ITESM- Monterrey, Carolina Balderas Duenez (Broadcasting & Cinema), Elizabeth Cabrera Licea (Marketing), Oliver Cantu (Theater, Film & Communication), Ester Cardena Tapia (Marketing), Diana Chong Aragon (Marketing), D avid De la Garza Villarreal (Theatre, Film & Communication), O mar Escobar Saldivar (Broadcasting & Cinema), Angel Girard Serra (Marketing), Juan Iñiguez Baca (Business Administration), David Ramos Castillojos (Business, Management, Marketing & Finance), Gabriela Rojas Moreno (Communication Studies), Ramon Torres Arevalo (Marketing); ITESM-Toluca, Katia Camacho Rosales (Marketing & Business Management); Carolina Lopez Garcia (Marketing & Business Management); ITESM-Veracruz, Ana Reverendo Costal (International Business); NEW ZEALAND, Massey University, Carsten Grimm (Psychology); SWEDEN, University of Lund, Andreas Lundmark (Business & Economics); University of Malmö, Cecilia Carlsson (Economics & Business Administration); University of Växjö, Mats Boman (Political Science), Sofia Hellgren (Marketing), Magnus Karlsson (Business Administration), Caroline Sundstrom (Business & History); SPAIN, University of Granada, Raul Lopez Fernandez (Business Administration & Marketing); Saul Murillo Gomez (Exercise & Sports Science); University of Castilla-La Mancha (Toledo), Cristina Carmona Aliaga (English), Elena Paez Fernandez (Anthropology), Javier Soto Ballestero (Economics); TURKEY, University of Yeditepe, Serhat Canoruc (Information Systems & Operations Management); UNITED KINGDOM, University of Hull, Katie Barnett (History), Adam Campbell (Business/International Business), Samantha Coverdale (American Studies), Charlotte Ingles (History & English), Arpan Mehta (Business), Jessica Smith (American Studies); University of Keele, Nwabugochukwu Okafor (Law & History), Alexander Riddell (Law & American Studies), Beate Sifkovits (Business Administration, Media Communication);
New International Exchange Students (cont.)

Manchester Metropolitan University, Michael Mosses (Geography), Ben Stubbs (History), Charlotte Taylor (Geography), Gemma Walker (Information Systems Management); University of Plymouth, Joanne Doran (Business), Anthony Ridge (Environmental Science), Lucy Trounce (Business), Jon Willmore (Geography); and University of Ulster, Mandy Dunlop (Nutrition).

Welcome to Our New International Degree-Seeking Students!

COTE D’IVOIRE, Brenda Diop (Pre-Finance); BERMUDA, Ashley Lightbourne (Dance Education); Dennis Symonds, (Computer Science); BRAZIL, Pablo Gusmao (Music); CANADA, Matthew Moncrieff (Exercise & Sport Science); CHINA, Lin Cai (Accounting); Yudan Chen (Human Development & Family Studies), Hua Dai (Information Systems & Operations Management); Ang Li (Information Systems & Operations Management), Yuan Liu (Accounting), Yi Ren (Library and Information Studies), Changbo Wang (INTERLINK/UNCG Computer Science); Huaibo Xin (Health Education); CZECH REPUBLIC, Jonathan Verner (Mathematics), David Chodounsky (Mathematics); GERMANY, Timm Dunemann (Business Administration), Carolin Feierabend (Business Administration), Tobias Forst (Business Administration), Christian Gehrandt (Business Administration), Anne Haunhorst (Business Administration), Claudia Koerber (Business Administration), Karin Oeinghaus (Business Administration), Sebastian Schmidt (Business Administration), Tina Steffenmunsberg (Women’s & Gender Studies), Rene Treiber (Business Administration), Stefan Wilhelm (Business Administration), Daniela Willrich (Business Administration); ICELAND, Jökull Elisabetarson (General Studies), Henning Jonasson (General Studies); INDIA, Rakesh Babu (Information Systems & Operations Management), Milind Chaudhari (Exercise & Sport Science), Rahat Gill (Economics), Karishma Gurtu (Drama), Rachana Karnik (Health Education), Aarti Kenjale (Exercise & Sport Science), Christine Pereira (Business Administration), Varun Sadana (Business Administration); ISRAEL, Matan Shitrit (Business Administration); JAMAICA, Cherrel Miller (Curriculum & Teaching); JAPAN, Tetsuji Nakagawa (Exercise & Sport Science), Izumi Ryono (Studio Arts); KENYA, Esther Mulusa (English), Peninah Kuria (Nursing); LATVIA, Julija Pobjarzina (Applied Economics); MEXICO, Carlos Castro (Business Administration); NETHERLANDS, Bart Tooms (Sociology); NIGER, Mohammed Attaher (INTERLINK/UNCG Business Administration); PAKISTAN, Muhammad Baqir (Information Systems & Operations Management), Amna Latif (Educational Leadership & Cultural Foundation); ROMANIA, Enache Enache (Business Administration); SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS, Sharon Hanley (Business Administration); SAUDI ARABIA, Attaher Almoneef (INTERLINK/UNCG Accounting); SOUTH KOREA, Hojune Cho (Exercise & Sport Science), Mijin Chung (Counseling), Choo Yon Hong (Counseling), Jae Ho Kim (Accounting), Kyung Min Kim (Exercise & Sport Science), Minjung Seo (Music); TAIWAN, U-Shan Chen (Speech Pathology & Audiology), Chun-Jung Chen (Accounting), Mu-Yun Chiang (INTERLINK/UNCG Information Systems & Operations Management), I-Chieh Li (Business Administration), Hung-Chang Wei (Music), Yi-Hsin Wu (Drama), Tse-Cheng Kuo (INTERLINK/UNCG Business Administration); TURKEY, Elif Cavus (Applied Economics), Kultaran Chohan (Business Administration), Ahmet Kullu (Business Administration); UKRAINE, Denys Marunko (Accounting); and UNITED KINGDOM, Gavin Chance (Geography).
Rotary Award

Tom Martinek, Jr. participated in a Group Study Exchange (GSE) Program to Germany in May, 2005, sponsored by Rotary International. Tom was among a team of 5 people who traveled throughout the region around Bonn and Cologne. The team consisted of one Rotarian team leader and 4 non-Rotarians representing various professions. Team members visited businesses, industries, institutions, and cultural and historical sites. Members also had the opportunity to meet with German professionals in their respective fields, and gave presentations to several Rotary clubs to share information about the US and North Carolina.

The GSE team visited 7 cities, spending 2-3 days in each. During the team’s stay, each team member was housed with a separate host family in each city.

The Group Study Exchange Program exemplifies Rotary International’s efforts to promote peace and goodwill.

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar

Former IPC Graduate Assistant, Jessica Rolland, will be spending one year in Leicester, England, as a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar. She will also be completing her Master's degree in museum and art gallery studies. Rotary district 7690 will sponsor Jessica’s year in England.

Visiting International Scholar

We are pleased to welcome new visiting scholar, Hicham Quasmi from France to the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

Recent Visitors

On Monday, June 7, Maria Amelia Leite, Director of the International Office at PUC (Catholic University) of Campinas in Brazil traveled to UNCG in order to discuss an upcoming exchange agreement between the two universities. During her visit, Ms. Leite met with Lyn Lawrance, Jody Natalie (Communications), Don McCrickard (Business) and Kwasi Amoako-Gyampah (ISOM).

On Tuesday, June 8, Bill Lovegrove and Peta Arthur, Vice Chancellor and Manager of Administration and Study Abroad from University of Southern Queensland visited with Lyn Lawrance, Molly Broad (UNC System President), Robert Brown (Continual Learning), and Toni Knight (Education).

On Thursday, August 4, longtime friend and former IPC employee, William Butterbrodt stopped by for a visit. William has been teaching English in San Andres Tuxtla, in Veracruz, Mexico for several years.
Recent Travelers

Omission: In our May Newsworthy issue, we omitted the following faculty who had traveled in March:
Keith Cushman, English (Ukraine).

During the summer months, UNCG faculty members traveled all over the globe in pursuit of international perspectives in their various disciplines (destinations in parentheses):

May: Moses Acquaah, Business Administration (South Africa); Richard Barton, History (France); Michael Beittler, Business Administration (Germany); Leandra Bedini, Recreation, Parks, & Tourism (Canada); William Crowther, Political Science (Romania); Gavin Douglas, Music (Burma); Michelle Dowd, English (United Kingdom); Maria García de las Bayonas, (Spain); Robin Gee, Dance (Senegal); Mary Ellis Gibson, English (United Kingdom); David Lefkowitz, Philosophy (Spain); Kaarin Michelsen, History (United Kingdom); Christian Moraru, English (Germany); Sharon Morrison, Public Health Education (South Africa); Jan Rychtar, Mathematical Science (United Kingdom); Jeffrey Soles, Classical Studies (Greece); Andrew Supple, Human Development & Family Studies (Mexico); Valerie Trollinger, Music (Germany); Brooks Whitehouse, Music (Japan); and Andrew Willis, Music (China).

June: Aqueil Ahmad, Sociology (Cuba); Julie Brown, Sociology (Russia); Guy Capuzzo, Music (Ireland); Mary Horley and Wendy Jones-Worden, Romance Languages (Mexico); Jie Hu, Nursing (China); Elizabeth Keathley, Music (Spain); Steve Lucas and Bud Miles, Business Administration (Greece); Stuart Marcovitch, Psychology (Canada); Svi Shapiro, Educational Leadership & Cultural Foundations (Bosnia); Sandra Shultz, Exercise & Sports Science (Norway); Miriam Aziza Stephan, Art (Spain); and Juana Suarez, Romance Languages (Argentina).

July: Kwasi Amoaka-Gyampah and Larry Taube, ISOM (Spain); Channelle James, Business Administration (China); Nancy Green, Mathematical Science (Scotland); Steve Haines and Robbie Smith, Music (Canada); Maura Heyn, Classical Studies (France); Bruce Kirchoff, Biology (Belgium); Stephanie Kurtts, Specialized Education (Spain);

August: Francine Blanchet-Sadri, Mathematical Science (France); Gavin Douglas, Music (United Kingdom); Dennis Askew, Edward Bach, Randy Kohlenberg, and Jack Masarie, Music (China); Jennifer Keith, English (Canada); Stephanie Kurtts, Specialized Education (Aruba); Thomas Kwapi, Psychology (Spain); and Elizabeth Lacey, Biology (Sweden).

International Travel Fund

We are pleased to announce that the following faculty members were awarded ITF grants in May, June, July, and August: (destination in parentheses): Aqueil Ahmad, Sociology (Cuba); James Benshoff, Counseling & Education Development (Turkey); Nancy Green, Mathematical Science (Scotland); Channelle James, Business Administration (China); Elizabeth Keathley, Music (Spain); Jennifer Keith, English (Canada); Colleen Kriger, History (Italy); Pierpaolo Polzonetti, Music (Italy); Juana Suarez, Romance Languages (Argentina); and Andrew Willis, Music (China). The ITF brochure and budget form can be found at the website listed below.

Kohler Award Fund

The next deadline for applications in internationalizing the curriculum, student programs, institutional linkages, and special projects categories is September 30, 2005. The Kohler Fund brochure, coversheet, and budget form can be found on the IPC website at www.uncg.edu/ipg/ipc/fdp.html.
Students spend a summer in Spain with Margo Bender!

A new generation of international students

INTERLINK students enjoy a day at Piney Lake

INTERLINK students and teachers participated in a Team Quest program at Piney Lake on August 26th. Students worked together to complete a variety of challenging tasks and, in the process, learned about effective communication and the importance of teamwork. This fall, INTERLINK welcomed students, from Taiwan, S. Korea, Japan, Thailand, Saudi Arabia, Niger, China, Venezuela, Mexico, Belgium, Switzerland, and Italy.

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