Spring 2008 Programs Deadlines
Just a reminder that application deadlines for Spring 2008 programs are approaching, please click here for deadlines for specific programs.

Annual Meeting of the National Advisory Board
We are looking forward to welcoming our National Advisory Board to Arcadia’s campus on October 4, 5, and 6th. In addition to our Glenside staff and team of regionally-based assistant directors, three members of our overseas staff will also be in attendance: Will Migniuolo, Deputy Director for British Operations, Alison Dick, Resident Director for Scotland and Emily Hann, Coordinator of Student Services for Australia. Our Board is composed of well-respected administrators and faculty with extensive experience in international education. Board members represent diverse perspectives on study abroad and come from a wide variety of colleges and universities. Their collective institutional experience as to: programs and services, curricular design, program assessment and evaluation, and knowledge of study abroad ethics and policies continually informs the strategic planning and program development of the Arcadia University Center for Education Abroad. Please click here to find out more about our National Advisory Board.

Arcadia’s “Road Warriors”
Our program representatives (assistant directors) have hit the road and have already had the chance to visit with many of you. The assistant directors are based regionally throughout the United States and serve as a point of contact and regional resource for both students and advisors. All of our assistant directors, whether they are veteran employees of Arcadia or brand new to the team are skilled professionals with notable experience in the field of education abroad. They welcome the opportunity to come to your campus to speak with you, your students, faculty, and/or administrators and are happy to assist you with informational sessions, fairs, and pre-departure orientations or simply update you on Arcadia programs. Please click here to find the assistant director responsible for your region.

Program Updates

New Partnership with University of Canterbury, New Zealand
We are pleased to announce our new partnership with the University of Canterbury, New Zealand’s second-oldest university and a center of research and academic excellence. The University is situated on the outskirts of Christchurch, an area known for its natural beauty and proximity to both mountains and sea. We are now accepting applications for the Spring 2008 semester (NZ Semester 1). Because this is a recent partnership, you will not find information about the program in our current New Zealand catalog. We will be inserting a one-page profile sheet into our current New Zealand catalogs until our new catalogs are published this spring. Please visit our website at www.arcadia.edu/abroad/newzealand, download a PDF flyer or contact Sue Richardson at richards@arcadia.edu for more details about this exciting new program.

London Parliamentary Internships Give Students an Insider’s View to the British Parliament
For a student of economics, government, or political science, there is nothing more rewarding than practical experience that makes a real difference and fosters a comprehensive understanding of the political process from the inside out. Our well-established London Parliamentary Internship semester program affords students the opportunity to work closely with a member of the British Parliament. Far from filing paperwork or making tea, students will be conducting significant research, planning events, and assisting with logistics. Students will be part of their MP’s staff while learning, in a way
that few can, the manner in which the legislative process informs the nation’s policies, customs and ideologies, from both a domestic and international perspective. For more details, click here, or contact Brandyn Muller Campbell, Senior Program Coordinator, at mullerb@arcadia.edu.

**Barcelona: Better than Ever!**
The Barcelona Center for Education Abroad continues to offer an exceptional program for students. Students on the program this semester will enjoy a number of changes which are intended to enhance the program. These include:

- Hiring of additional staff including a student services coordinator and a housing and student services assistant.
- New Cultural Events and Activities – the BCEA Cultural Integration Series
- Addition of a darkroom for photography students to process their own film

For more information, please contact Cliff Tironi, Program Coordinator for Spain at tronic@arcadia.edu or click here.

**EMTRIE Summer Program in Australia Cancelled**
We have had to make the difficult decision to cancel our Environmental Management of Tropical Reef and Island Ecosystems summer program in Australia. Please feel free to contact Andrew Downs, Senior Program Coordinator, at downsa@arcadia.edu with any questions or concerns.

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**Dean’s Corner**
Submitted by Dr. Dennis Dutschke, Dean of Studies, Arcadia University Center for Education Abroad

**2007-2008 Student Handbook**
This month the revised version of the 2007-2008 Student Handbook was issued and posted on the website. It can be found under the tab for administrators and faculty or by clicking here. Arcadia staff and students are invited to read the updated Student Handbook. It contains essential policies and procedures of the Arcadia University Center for Education Abroad, the code of student conduct, the code of academic responsibility, and our academic contract.

**China Trip**
On a recent trip to visit the Alliance programs, my fellow travelers and I were able to see first hand the many reasons why students will be attracted to Beijing and Shanghai. The cities, one horizontally massive and the other a striking vertical forest of skyscrapers, are extraordinary in all respects. To understand and function within them, as well as assist them in their studies, the students have an exceptional team in Alliance Director Janice Levitt, and resident directors Brian Hammer (Shanghai), and Han Bing (Beijing). In addition to finding courses in the specific areas of study that most appeal to them, students are able to engage in truly unique learning and living experiences that range from the capstone academic program, unique field study outside of Beijing and Shanghai, experiential learning, internships, and interaction with Chinese roommates. There was a real buzz of excitement among the students that I met during the visit. Here are just some of the opportunities students have taken advantage of through the Alliance program:

- Alliance SUFE students spent a long weekend during the spring term in the Henan province where the Chinese writing system was first developed. Our students were hosted by a local NGO working on AIDS-related issues.
- 9-day trip to Hong Kong and Guangdong province (Yunnan or Sichuan province for Beijing students, 5-day trip to Xiahe, a Tibetan area in Gansu province for summer students)
- Alliance SUFE summer students took a 5-day trip to Beijing to explore the cultural and historical sights, slept overnight on the Great Wall, and visited several companies.
- Additional cultural activities offered to students have included cooking, calligraphy, martial arts and Tai Chi classes.
- Volunteer opportunities included teaching English on a weekly basis at a school for migrant workers’ children.
- Professional development seminars offered in the Spring 2007 semester included presentations on conducting business in China provided by the U.S.-China Business Council and the U.S. Commercial Service as well as visits to Citigroup, General Motors, Philips and several companies in Hong Kong.

To learn more about the Alliance programs, and access student blogs and testimonials, please visit www.allianceglobaled.org.

Dennis Dutschke, Dean of Studies, spent a week in the Viking city of Trondheim, Norway, co-coordinating the TransAtlantic Dialogue, a joint seminar/retreat of the Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA) and the European Association of International Education (EAIE). The former was the third dialogue that brings together 20 senior international officers to discuss topics in international education that are of interest to North America and Europe. The latter, the European equivalent to NAFSA (but much smaller, with around 2,000 members), is a conference that focuses on mobility of students, internationalizing institutions, bilateral collaboration, and networking of international education administrators. The Bologna process remains the top issue, as the deadline of 2010 quickly approaches.