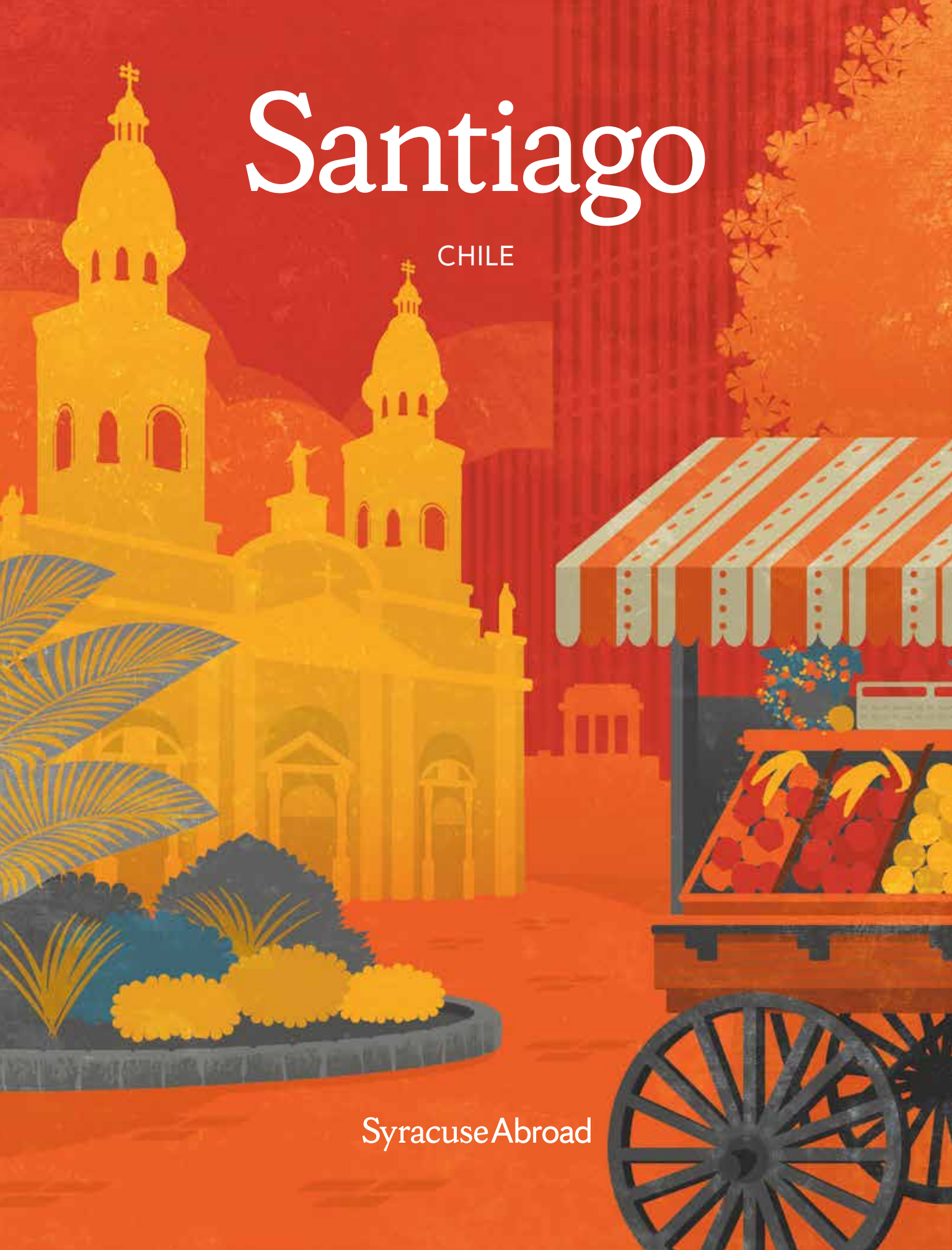


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Begin your semester with an unforgettable traveling seminar

EXPERIENCE a new way of learning—on the move, observing, reading, and writing, all in close conversation with faculty and fellow students

GAIN firsthand knowledge of the region of the world you will be living in

LEARN about histories, cultures, and politics in comparative ways

MEET local politicians, academics, and activists



Contemporary Issues in Chile and Latin America

HST 406/PSC 428/IRP/LAS/SPA 334 (3 credits)

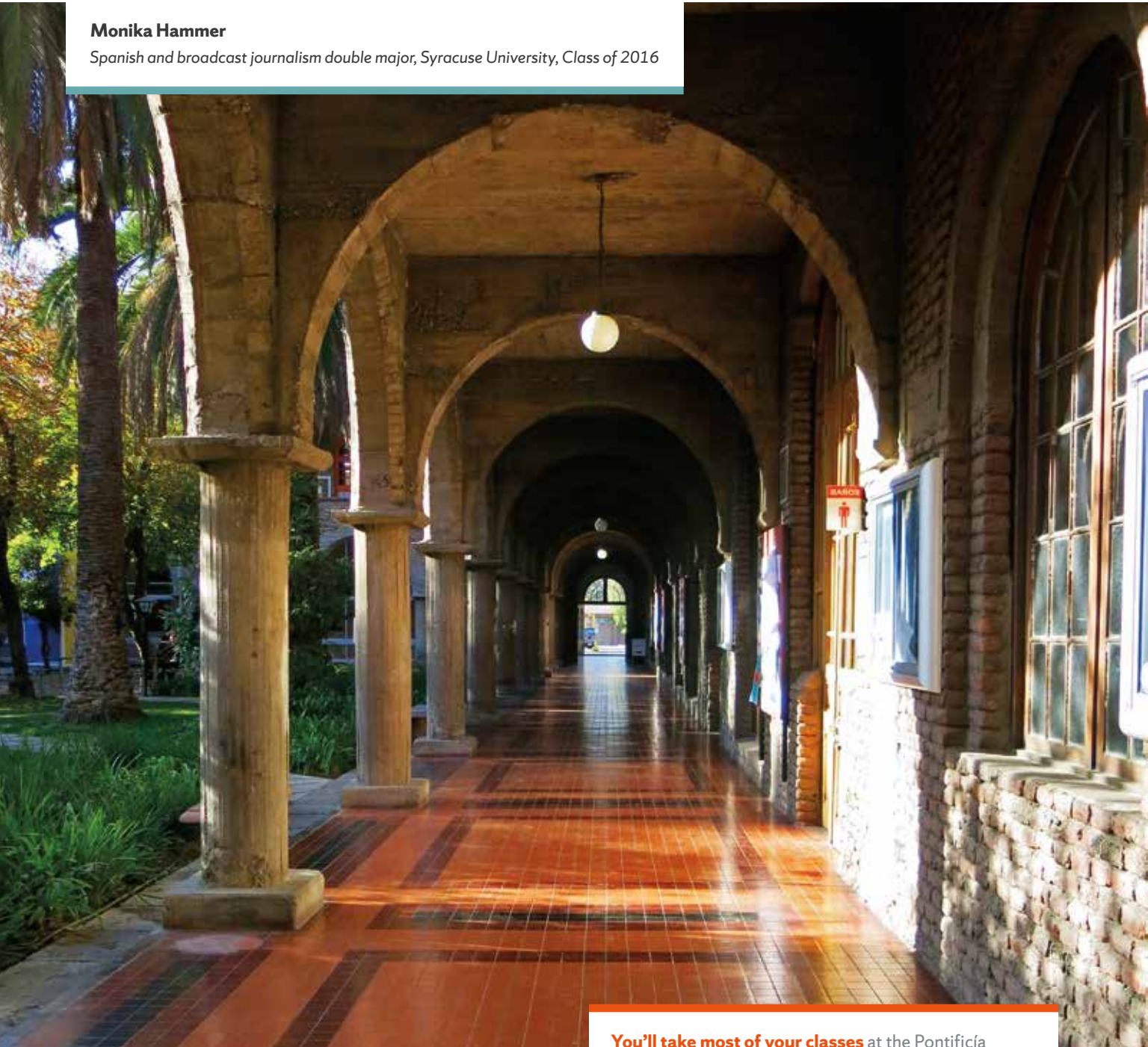
Travel to Uruguay, Argentina, and Chile to study their historical encounters with dictatorships and democratization processes. Learn about their current national identities and cultural expressions. Analyze the differences in economic and social development in urban and rural areas. Examine how the history of these countries showcases the complexity of U.S. foreign policy in Latin America.

Syracuse University Santiago

“Being able to go to Ecuador, Argentina, and Uruguay as part of the program and seminar was so valuable. It provided for a strong start to the semester with the opportunity to explore the cultures of the different countries and to get to know the students in the program.”

Monika Hammer

Spanish and broadcast journalism double major, Syracuse University, Class of 2016



You'll take most of your classes at the Pontificia Universidad Católica. Its four beautiful campuses are located in downtown and southern Santiago.

Choosing your curriculum

When you apply, you'll choose one of two options:

Santiago Center: Cuenca, Ecuador Immersion

Most students will begin their semester with a four-week language immersion in Cuenca, Ecuador. You'll take a Spanish language course in Cuenca appropriate to your skill level before flying to Santiago for the rest of your semester and enrolling alongside Chilean students at the Universidad de Chile or Pontificia Universidad Católica. This option is required for students who have completed less than four semesters of college-level Spanish.

Santiago Center

If you have completed four semesters of college-level Spanish, select three to four courses and enroll alongside Chilean students at the Universidad de Chile or Pontificia Universidad Católica. This option is appropriate for students ready to enroll in university classes taught in Spanish.

NOTE The Chilean school calendar is longer than the one you're used to in the U.S. For fall semester, you'll depart in June and return in December. The spring program runs from January until July.

Select courses in

**Environmental and
development studies**

International relations

**Latin American history,
politics, and economics**

**Latin American
indigenous cultures**

**Spanish and Latin
American literature**

Spanish language



“I left Chile with a second family—my host family. They helped me master the Spanish language, taught me about Chilean culture, and helped me discover new things about myself. Without them, the experience would not have been nearly as meaningful.”

Eliza Engel

*Spanish language, literature, and culture and television, radio, and film double major,
Syracuse University, Class of 2018*



Living in Cuenca and Santiago



In your spare time, you can browse the flower market in Cuenca.

Most participants choose the two-city program experience in Cuenca and Santiago. Living arrangements in both cities are with host families, where you'll receive three home-cooked meals every day.

Cuenca, Ecuador

Located high in the Andes Mountains, Cuenca is a friendly city of 400,000 people. It's known for its thriving art scene, and works hard to preserve its indigenous and Spanish heritages. Nearby El Cajas, a national park with waterfalls and Inca ruins, offers opportunities for camping, hiking, and exploring the Andes.

Santiago, Chile

In Santiago, glass high-rises stand tall against the backdrop of the Andes. The city's infrastructure is efficient and modern, offering safe and convenient transportation. You'll commute from your host family's house to class and between campuses via bus and metro.

As you start exploring, you'll discover that Santiago's cultural options are on par with those of any cosmopolitan city and include museums, cinema, live music, parks, and diverse restaurants and nightlife (Bellavista is a perennial favorite). Most civic activity is concentrated downtown, but entertainment spills into nearby communities such as Ñuñoa (a hot spot for the younger crowd) and Las Condes (upscale shopping and dining).

GOOD TO KNOW

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, where you will take classes, has been named the best university in Latin America by *U.S. News & World Report*.

The country of Chile contains an incredible range of climates; the world's driest desert, the Atacama, lies in the north, while the southern tip contains fjords, glaciers, and tundra.

The Cuenca city center has been named a UNESCO World Heritage Site for its beautiful historic buildings.

Santiago is home to Chile's most successful football club, Colo-Colo, which has played at the Chilean league's highest level since 1930.

“As a TV news producer, I’m constantly amazed at how my time in Santiago is helping me in my career. Speaking Spanish is a skill I use frequently, but I learned more than just a language. The courses I took and my time in South America gave me a whole new perspective on the world. It shapes how I cover local, national, and international news every day.”

Robin Clutters

Producer, CBS Denver, Syracuse University, Class of 2010



Jump-starting your career

Participating in an internship abroad is a great way to increase your understanding of international issues while you bolster your résumé. The Syracuse Santiago program offers a wide array of learning opportunities to advanced undergraduates.

The program features challenging internships with NGOs, government agencies, and private-sector offices involved in international trade, gender and minority issues, social work, sociology, journalism, commerce, and banking. Education students have also worked in Chilean schools.

Just like a real job search, selected candidates are invited to interview for positions. You must be proficient in Spanish and commit to working at least 12 hours per week.

REPRESENTATIVE INTERNSHIPS

United Nations Chile

Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean

FLACSO, which promotes economic development and the strengthening of democracy

Museo de la Memoria, the first museum in Chile dedicated to historical memory and human rights violations during the Pinochet dictatorship

Fundación Dialoga, a foundation focusing on gender issues, health, and social development

American-Chilean Chamber of Commerce

Techo, an organization devoted to fighting poverty in several countries in Latin America

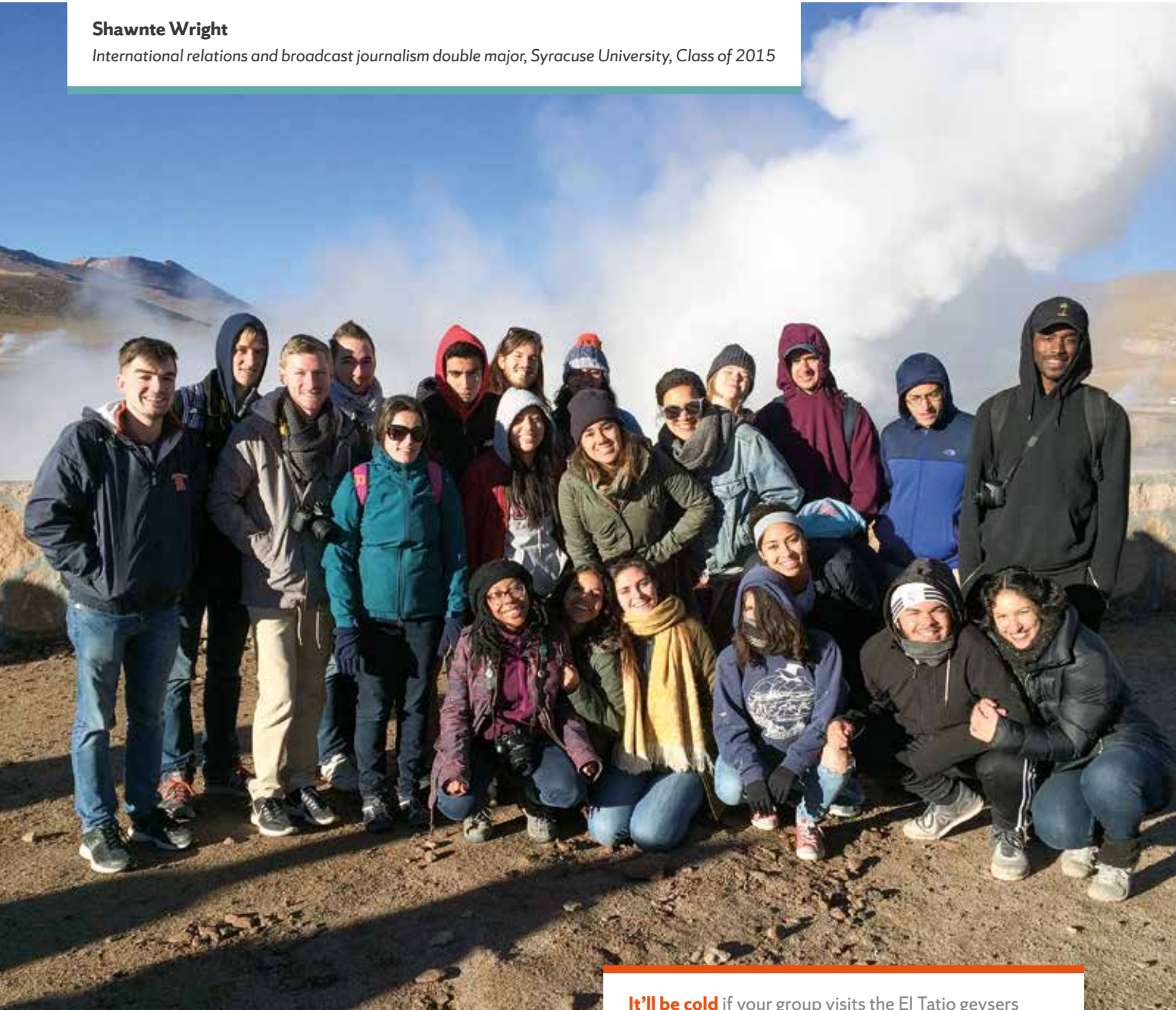
TechnoServe, which works with entrepreneurs to develop competitive business skills



“At lunch twice a week, a few other native English speakers and I would meet with Chilean students to practice speaking in each other’s language. We would pick a topic for the hour and speak about that at length. A few of the students who came to these sessions truly became my friends, all because I allowed myself to value their portion of the exchange as well as my own learning.”

Shawnte Wright

International relations and broadcast journalism double major, Syracuse University, Class of 2015



It'll be cold if your group visits the El Tatio geysers before sunrise to catch the steam from the hot springs condensing in the cool morning air. But you'll be able to warm up with a quick dip in the natural pools formed by hot springs.

Maximizing your experience

All-school field trips

Make the most of your time abroad by taking part in the all-school field trips included in your program fee.

San Pedro de Atacama

Located in the world's driest desert, the town of San Pedro lies in an oasis surrounded by breathtaking scenery and geological formations. The area's rich cultural heritage is influenced by its indigenous communities and proximity to the Bolivian and Peruvian borders.

Tatio Geysers

These hot springs are located in the Andean *altiplano*, at an altitude of 4,000 meters. You'll visit the geysers early in the day, when the steam rising from the hot water creates a stark visual contrast against the cold morning air. You'll have time to bathe in one of the hot springs and visit the small town of Machuca.

Lifting Layers

Every other week, you'll explore different areas of the city, such as bustling markets where Santiaguinos of different social classes and backgrounds mingle, parks that combine various layers of history and memory, neighborhoods whose architecture serves as a testament to specific aspects of Chilean identity, and public and private museums.

Course-related field trips

Classes at Chilean universities, especially in the areas of geography and social work, tend to include field outings to rural locations on the outskirts of Santiago. Logistics are coordinated by Universidad Católica and Universidad de Chile. For example, a course recently included a group project in which students were asked to create a pilot program to raise awareness about recycling in the low-income area of Maipú.

In Santiago

Santiago is strategically located, with easy access to the Pacific coast and the Andes Mountains. In the near vicinity, there are vineyards, ski slopes, mountain hiking trails, beaches, and small rural towns that provide a fascinating contrast to the bustling capital.

You'll receive from staff regular lists of recommended cultural activities, with a special emphasis on free or low-cost activities. These often include theater and dance shows, music concerts, or art exhibits. Also, keep an eye out for group workshops such as cooking or dance classes, which showcase aspects of Chilean culture.



Making study abroad affordable

A study abroad experience is within your reach. Start by reviewing these affordability basics, followed by specific lists of funding resources based on your status as a Syracuse University or visiting student:

- Student aid is based on the total cost of the program you are attending
- You will keep your institutional aid when studying on a Syracuse Abroad program
- You may be eligible for a need-based grant based on your completed FAFSA and CSS Profile
- You may combine need-based grants with loans and other federal aid to cover the total cost of the abroad program

For SU students

Need-based grants

Grants are awarded by the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarship Programs based on need, which is determined by your CSS Profile.

Named scholarships

Friends of the University have made generous contributions that enable us to award scholarships for specific study abroad experiences for SU undergraduate students.

Fall-only supplemental aid

Up to 10% supplemental aid is available, based on the previous semester's aid and need level for students who study abroad in the fall semester.

Plane ticket loan program

The Syracuse Abroad plane ticket loan program allows students who are fully funded with financial aid to apply their financial aid funds toward the purchase of their plane ticket abroad.

For visiting students

Merit-based scholarships

Eligible visiting semester program students with a GPA of 3.0-3.69 will receive a \$600 scholarship. Any student with a 3.70 or above will receive a scholarship of \$1,000. The scholarship is automatic, based on cumulative GPA as reported at the time of application to the program.

Need-based grants

Provide Syracuse with access to your FAFSA for financial need review by logging in to your FAFSA account online and adding Syracuse University (code 002882).

Tuition grants

Awarded to students from partner institutions with an existing affiliation agreement in place. Contact Syracuse Abroad for more information.

Continuation of existing financial aid

Verify with your home school the continuation of existing financial aid. Have your school complete a Financial Aid Transfer Form.

Feeling safe and supported



Dr. Paredes leads the group on the traveling Signature Seminar, shown here teaching at the Obelisco de Buenos Aires.

In Santiago

Syracuse Santiago is directed by Chilean historian Dr. Mauricio Paredes. Both Dr. Paredes and Syracuse Assistant Director Paula Lopehandia have extensive experience working with U.S. study abroad students, facilitating all aspects of their academic and cultural experiences in Chile.

Dr. Paredes received his Ph.D. from the University of Chile and teaches the Signature Seminar. He also teaches the semester course Dictatorships, Human Rights, and Historical Memory in Chile and the Southern Cone.

Syracuse Santiago program staff is available throughout the semester for academic advising and support and can arrange tutorials with Chilean graduate students for discussion and review of course materials.



Dr. Paredes, Syracuse Santiago Director

In Syracuse

Syracuse Abroad is committed to providing a safe, caring, and enriching experience abroad. Bridget Demorest, assistant director for student services, works diligently and compassionately to provide you and your parents with the resources you may need to thrive abroad—from health and wellness preparation to adjustment questions, from academic accommodations to safety or cultural concerns.



Bridget Demorest, Assistant Director, Student Services

Minimum GPA requirements

Cuenca prequel and Santiago program: **2.5**

Santiago program only: **3.0**

Admission requirements

Students must submit a language recommendation and a Spanish writing sample, and have an interview conducted in Spanish.

Deadlines

Fall semester: **March 15**

Spring semester: **October 1**

For more information

For complete admissions criteria and application instructions, visit suabroad.syr.edu.

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