



As you can imagine, studying abroad is near and dear to every instructor in the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures.

Given the opportunity to do so, each of us can wax eloquent on the topic. Nevertheless, we wanted to hear what our students had to say about immersing themselves in a different culture and language. Therefore, we asked five study abroad vets to share their impressions. In addition to explaining where, what, and for how long they studied abroad, we asked students to think about how this experience affected their lives, what important lessons they learned, and why they think it is a good idea to travel and study abroad. See what

these travelers had to say about going to school in Chile, France, Germany, Japan, and Spain. (see pgs 6-7)

Our department also developed several exciting outreach activities this year! In an effort to interest area elementary-, middle-, and high-school students in foreign languages, we hosted our first French and Spanish nights. Students visited campus in order to learn more about the language programs at UNCW, meet our majors and minors, hear about university students' experiences with study abroad and learn about careers that require a high level of proficiency in a second language.

Finally, we have created some new learning opportunities for foreign language students at UNCW. A new service-learning class allows Spanish majors to use their language skills as they interact with the Latino clientele

at a number of area social agencies and schools. French majors had the opportunity to take classes in Francophone literature and film as well as business French. In an effort to diversify the language offerings at UNCW, we have reinstated Portuguese and added Russian to our curriculum. During fall 2004, nearly 100 UNCW students enrolled in these new classes. In fact, you will notice that our masthead now includes "The News" written in Russian.

Study abroad, language nights, and curriculum development are only three of the many areas that highlight FLL's commitment to teaching students about other cultures and mastering a second language. All of the articles in this year's newsletter demonstrate how FLL's dynamic professors are committed to the goal of internationalizing UNCW.

Denise DiPuccio

Service Learning in the Wilmington and Pender County Areas

Author Barbara Jacoby defines service-learning as a pedagogy, program and philosophy. Developed in the 1960's, it extends the learning experience beyond the classroom as students perform service to the community. Service-learning differs from volunteerism in that it requires extensive reflection, assessment and evaluation of the service performed. Students have the opportunity to engage in creative problem solving, effective communication, teamwork and negotiation. During spring 2004, Dr. Donna McGiboney offered an innovative trial course, Spanish 492, "Service Learning in the Wilmington and Pender Counties." In this three-credit practicum, students spend thirty semester hours at a local agency that maintains consistent contact with Hispanic populations. During weekly classes, students report on their experiences, polish pertinent grammar and address situational vocabulary. Participating service-learning agencies include: the Wilmington YWCA, New Hanover County Health Network, College Park Elementary School, Pender Learning Center, New Hanover County Partnership for Children, and Centro Latino.



UNCW student Richard Lathrop works the front desk at Centro Latino

Study Abroad with FLL Directors

CHILE



**UNCA and UNCW faculty on
Fullbright Hayes Seminar to Chile**

In June-July 2004, **Valerie Rider** acted as resident director for faculty participants in a Fulbright-Hays scholarship program in Valparaíso, Chile. Valerie traveled with fifteen eager, excited learners from UNCW and UNC-Asheville. The scholars worked on their Spanish; visited sites of cultural and historic interest; collaborated with Chilean counterparts in their respective fields at the Pontificia Universidad Católica; and even did some high-altitude hiking! Valerie and “her kids” enjoyed the trip immensely: so much so, that seven of the ten UNCW faculty scholars are returning to Chile this year!

GERMANY

Gisela Reid, lecturer of German, accompanied four UNCW students to her hometown Bremen, Germany. The Hochschule Bremen offers an intensive language program to international students through its summer school of German language, culture and business. Bremen is an important port city along the Weser River, forty miles inland from the North Sea. The trip began with a four-day stay in Bonn, which included stops along the Rhine River, visits to castles, palaces, and cathedrals, and acquainted the students with the rich culture of the Rhineland area. This was the sixth year of a very successful program that provides UNCW students with intensive language courses and cultural experience.



**L/R: Robert Buzenberg, (Robbie),
Angela Williams, (Angie), Cayden Allen
and Frau Reid**



**Robbie and Angie in front
of historic houses in
Cologne**

Study Abroad with FLL Directors

MEXICO



Students enjoy an outing to Guanajuato with their new neighbors

During the summer **Lizzy Pressley** took a group of social-work students to Irapuato, Mexico, for a two-week cultural tour. During a trip to León, the students visited a nursing home operated by nuns. This excursion provided students with the opportunity to investigate differences between the social services offered in Mexico and the United States.

SPAIN

Last summer's program in Spain was based at the University of Alcalá de Henares, Spain's oldest. **Miguel Jiménez's** group studied for 4 weeks there and enjoyed visits to Madrid, Segovia and Toledo. During the last week, they visited the charming Spanish region, Andalusia, and learned about its history, culture and traditions. Seville and Granada were the students' favorites! During their study abroad, they even got to meet Martin Sheen in person! You can find pictures at www.uncw.edu/people/jimenezm.



Martin Sheen, (back row, center), graciously agreed to be photographed with Jiménez's group in Spain

Highlights from the Language Sections

Portuguese



Students attending Brazilian Table

The **Portuguese Program** is happy to announce the creation of the *Brazilian Table*. Students of Portuguese, faculty, Brazilians from UNCW, and other friends from the community meet every other Thursday at El Agave at 7 PM (contact: felixr@uncw.edu). Also, the Portuguese Program sponsored two events in the *Brown v. Board of Education* semester: a screening and discussion of the film *City of God*, on March 25th, and the panel discussion, *The Afro-Brazilian Condition: Past and Present*, on April 1st. Both events were organized by Dr. Regina R. Félix. For more details, please visit <http://people.uncw.edu/schmidt/Brown/eventscalendar.html>.

French

French Club

The French Club, under the leadership of Dr. Pascale Barthe, has been meeting twice a month for an informal “Pause-café” in the Randall library. In the spring, the club members enjoyed *quiches* and *salades* at the Le Catalan, a French-owned restaurant located in downtown Wilmington. Later in spring semester, the club sponsored a talk by Dr. Michael Timmons, who emphasized the importance of linguistic knowledge and cultural understanding when engaging in international business. In the fall, a cookout was successfully organized by our officers: Jason Timmons, Jesse Emperador and Jennifer Waltz.

French Night

Monday, February 23, the French section organized *French Night*. High school students and teachers interacted with UNCW faculty, administrators, alumni and majors who offered precious insight on academic programs and study-abroad opportunities while sharing their university experiences and passion for French. Representatives from the Cameron School of Business and the Office of International Programs spoke to the group on career and study abroad opportunities.

Guest Speaker

On October 16, Dr. Kandioura Dramé, chairman of the French department at the University of Virginia, spoke on African cinema in the postcolonial era. His talk, entitled *The Lion and the Hunter*, focused on directors such as Ousmane Sembene



and Djibril Diop Mambety, who, in spite of economic and political difficulties, have begun to re-appropriate African history and myths for themselves. Both film makers also explore conflicts between tradition and modernity in African communities.

Dr. Jim McNab, his spouse Elizabeth, Dr. Pascale Barthe's daughter Sakina, and Dr. Denise DiPuccio relax as they converse with Dr. Kandioura Dramé at a reception held in Dramé's honor

Highlights from the Language Sections

Spanish

Spanish Club

In fall 2003 the Spanish Club was involved in a series of activities. With more than \$100 of funds collected through a bake sale and face painting at the Latino Festival, the Club was able to give two gift certificates to needy Latino families in the Wilmington area. The President and Vice-president of the Club delivered the certificates and other presents and toys to Centro Latino on Nov. 24 to make Christmas special for these families. This year the Club has experienced a considerable increase in its membership, thanks to the hard work and dynamism of its officers. They are: Charlie Robey, President; Kristin Rogin, Vice-president, (fall 2003); Adam Foushee, Vice-president, (spring 2004); Will Fields, Treasurer; and Atlas Cheek, Secretary. Dr. Teresita J. Parra is the faculty advisor.



Students attending a Spanish Club meeting at El Cerro Grande

Spanish Night

On Thursday, November 6, 2003, seventy-five area high school students and their teachers attended *Spanish Night* in the Warwick Center at UNCW. The faculty of the Spanish section and the student members of the Spanish Club planned the evening's activities, which included brief presentations from university students majoring in Spanish, alumni, study-abroad vets, and the directors of Centro Latino and the Cape Fear Literacy Council, two local agencies that provide students with internship and volunteer opportunities outside the classroom. The evening culminated in a Jeopardy game in which students competed for prizes as they demonstrated their knowledge of Hispanic language and culture.

Graduate Certificate Program

The December 2003 Commencement Festivities marked a milestone in the history of the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures as the Graduate Certificate Program in Hispanic Studies bestowed the first certificates in its brief history to Marianella Jara Smith and Yamil Velázquez-Fraticelli. Both students combined their interest in Hispanic studies with the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies (MALS) program in order to enhance their professional credentials. Marianella, a native of Costa Rica, has a broad array



Marianella Jara Smith and Yamil Velázquez-Fraticelli, the first recipients of the Graduate Certificate Program in Hispanic Studies

of interests in humanities, social sciences, social work and medical services. She will receive the MALS degree in May 2004 and plans to pursue further graduate study. Yamil, a native of Puerto Rico, is a teacher in the Cumberland County school system and an instructor in the community college system. He will also receive the MALS degree at the May 2004 graduation and intends to continue his career as an educator. The department extends hearty congratulations to Yamil and Marianella!!!

Study Abroad from the Student Perspective

Debra Garretson-Japan



I have been studying in Japan for the last six months; from September to February. I have had the time of my life. I came to Japan knowing only a little Japanese and a handful of knowledge about the culture. Now I am able to speak and write Japanese and truly have an understanding, not to mention first-hand experience, of the society and the culture. Japan is such a beautiful country. I absolutely loved visiting all the old temples and shrines in Kyoto. I also loved visiting Tokyo, which is a city as big and lively as New York, yet, it still has beautiful temples and breath-taking mountains scattered throughout the city, which is one of the reasons why I love Japan. I was also lucky to have been able to do an internship at Hitachi, which is a very large, traditional Japanese company in Japan. I also made so many wonderful friends while attending NGU. And it was great being so close to Nagoya, which is one of the largest cities in Japan. I have certainly made memories here I will cherish the rest of my life.

Brandon Hines-France



I am studying in France at the Université de Caen for the 2003-2004 academic year. For the first semester I studied only French in a program designed for exchange students. During the second semester I am taking biology and French courses. This time abroad gives me the opportunity to make some helpful personal observations. Sometimes I have felt uneasy with my communication, which has a lot to do with the language barrier. This has been a humbling experience, in that I continually remind myself to just have fun with people, even if it is on a surface level. It is best not to worry about the mistakes. In fact, it is more fun to make mistakes. By doing this, I become more comfortable with the language and the surroundings in general. Of course, there are challenges. Sometimes I am too serious and get down on myself. So, I have made the effort to change that. It has been fun.

Charlotte Robey-Spain



In the fall of 2002, I ventured to Murcia, Spain, to study for the semester. My main goal was to attain fluency in the Spanish language. As a Spanish major, I felt it was necessary to study abroad. If I was going to graduate with a Spanish degree, I wanted to make sure I could speak the language with fluency. What I got out of the experience was a never-ending adventure, a new perspective on life, relationships that I hope will last a lifetime, and, most importantly, was experiencing life like a Spaniard. I would highly recommend studying abroad. It opened my eyes to the world. While there, I realized that there are so many different perspectives throughout the world, not just those that we see in America. I believe it is important for students to study abroad to better understand the world around them. We should all at some point step out of our bubble, our area of comfort, and explore the world around us.

Study Abroad from the Student Perspective

Meghan Stepnowski-Chile

Young, blonde and female. This may sound like the prelude to a personal ad but here in Wilmington they are simply three of my identifying characteristics which in this town are as common as surfers and trucker hats. So when I studied abroad in Valparaiso, Chile, last spring, becoming an instant minority was an extreme change. I went from blending in to being an oddity overnight. Every time I walked down the street, got on the bus, or entered a classroom someone was staring. While attention can be flattering, confusing, or even scary, all this focus certainly made me take a good look at what and who I represent. It made me realize that it wasn't just me that everyone was looking at. I was a symbol of my culture. Who I was and how I carried and presented myself in each and every situation suddenly became very important.

About my second month in Chile, the United States declared war on Iraq. With anti-war sentiments everywhere, simply being an American was suddenly offensive to almost every person I came in contact with. I found I was constantly having to explain and defend myself, "Yes, I am from the US and no, I don't agree with this war, I don't agree with my government..." After being knocked off my pedestal of comfort based on always blending in, I caught a glimpse, though fleeting, of being a minority. And, it made me uncomfortable, it made life more difficult, and I want to do it again. In these few short months, I learned more about who I am and what I stand for than I ever had before.



Amy Thompson-Germany

Standing on the cobblestone street looking up at the buildings from several hundred years ago, I was still astonished I was there. After a grueling nine-hour flight, the fact that I was going to live in Germany for a year still hadn't quite sunk in. It was more of a dream than anything else. What I was doing didn't actually hit me until some time later. I spent months walking around thinking I was just going to wake up and be back at home in my own bed never having gone at all. After settling in a bit I made some really great friends with whom I went everywhere and did everything. Paris for New Year's, Italy for three weeks during break, Switzerland as a last-minute, three-day-weekend travel choice. Sure, traveling had its moments, money was on occasion an issue, and it was hard being away from my family for such a long time, but in the long run it was by all means worth every second and penny spent. I would do it again without a second thought. You only live once.



Student Honors, Awards, and Scholarships

**Sarah Short,
UNCW**



Cape Fear Foreign Language Collaborative Provides Scholarships for UNCW and High School Students

In 1995 the CFFLC awarded its first scholarship to a student at UNCW. Over the last nine years, 21 more recipients from UNCW and area high schools have been named. A total of approximately \$4000 has been dispersed. This is quite an accomplishment for a group in which dues are \$10 per year and all other funds come from an annual fundraiser within the membership of the organization!

This year's scholarship recipients are Sarah Short, Taya Owens and Brittany Straughan.

Sponsored by FLL, the CFFLC meets four times per year to provide professional development activities and support for teachers K-College in southeast North Carolina. Recent programs have included presentations on "Teaching and Studying in Russia," "Costa Rica," "Mexico Trip with Social Work Students," "Careers with International Organizations from a World Bank Operations Perspective," "Latinos in NC," and a teacher swap of classroom strategies and activities. If you would like to join, contact FLL.

**Taya Owens,
UNCW**



**Brittany Straughan,
Pender High School**



Pi Delta Phi Inauguration

The French Section celebrated the inauguration of UNCW's new chapter of Pi Delta Phi, National French Honor Society in December. Professor Carleen Leggett, from Morgan State University, led the ceremony of new faculty and student members. A small reception took place afterwards. The event was sponsored by FLL and the Office of International Programs.



Sigma Delta Pi Initiation

Twenty-two students joined Sigma Delta Pi, the national Spanish honorary society, on May 8, 2003: Julie Beineke, Casey Bowers, Talita Chaves, Tara Christie, Kelly Durden, Anne Hatfield, David Heath, Kelley Honeycutt, Candice Johnson, Mandy Lumpkins, Annie Meares, Courtney Moore, David Mundell, Taya Owens, Carla Pittari, Gina Pugh, Kerri Ramsey, Charlotte Robey, Maegan Rountree, Sarah Short, Emily Smith, and Caleb Wilson. Congratulations to all!

FLL Scholarship Committee

The FLL Scholarship Committee selected four outstanding undergraduates for recognition. Michelle Bone and Taya Owens, recipients of the Helena R. Cheek Memorial Scholarship, each received an award of \$500. Anne Marie Hatfield and Caleb Wilson were awarded Bookstore Scholarship of \$125 each.

Focus on Faculty



Raymond Burt

Burt is the Assistant Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, with oversight of the Honors Program, General College, and academic policy. Burt also coordinates the German Consortium distance learning classes, in which our students take courses from

professors at other UNC campuses transmitted through the NC Information Superhighway System. In spring 2004, Burt taught a course on Goethe for the consortium. Burt also presented a paper, "Cultural Memory in Contemporary Austrian Literature," at the annual conference of the Modern Austrian Literature and Culture Association.



Denise DiPuccio

DiPuccio was the principal investigator for a Fulbright-Hays grant in which fifteen professors from UNCW and UNCA traveled to Valparaíso for five weeks of intensive language and cultural training.

DiPuccio's article, "Emilio Carballido's [Re]Writing of Pedro Calderón de la Barca's *Entremeses*," was published in *MIFLC Review*. This article deals with the ways in which a contemporary Mexican playwright reinterprets the plays of his seventeenth-century Spanish predecessor. DiPuccio is currently at work on an anthology of Hispanic drama.



María Camí-Vela

Camí-Vela finished the second edition of her book *Mujeres detrás de la cámara*. In addition to the generation of Spanish female directors of the 90s, the book includes the new directors from 2000 to 2003. She

presented papers at the International Film Conference held in Portland, Oregon, and at the Filmoteca of Barcelona. She has served as a member of the scientific committee of the Association of Spanish Film Historians.



Miguel Jiménez

Jiménez started teaching Russian classes this year and has developed a complete two-semester sequence of elementary courses. This past year he successfully directed the Summer

Study Abroad in Spain. This year he is organizing and directing a Study Abroad program in his historic hometown, Úbeda. During this year he has organized presentations about Spain, Russia and Translation Studies, his area of specialization.

Focus on Faculty



Yoko Kano

Kano conducted the North Carolina Teaching Asia Network (NCTAN) seminar again and served as the senior academic advisor to educate secondary school teachers in North Carolina about East Asia. The program is

funded by the Freeman Foundation. Her articles on technology-enhanced courses of language and culture were published by the Japan Foundation and Mie University, Japan, this summer. Kano is serving as a committee member to establish an Asian Studies minor at UNCW.



Joann McFerran Mount

Mount presented a paper on “Spanish Documents and Personal Letters Seized Aboard the *Nuestra Señora de Regla* in 1861” at the 2003 Mountain Interstate Foreign Language Conference held at the College of Charleston. Her research focused on health

conditions and economic problems facing Spanish-speaking families in Charleston and Pendleton, SC, at the beginning of the American Civil War. Dr. Mount continues as coordinator of the Foreign Language Teacher Education Program, coordinator of the Cape Fear Foreign Language Collaborative, and co-sponsor of Sigma Delta Pi, Spanish honorary society.



P. J. Lapaire

Lapaire led the French section to full renewal with the hiring of three new colleagues in French in two years, while holding the fort on all fronts—administrative and inter-personal in particular (advising, personnel, graduates, etc.). He has continued to

do research on contemporary French music, a topic on which he presented a one-hour talk for the Foreign Language Association of North Carolina in October 2003. Lapaire has also written various reviews of textbooks and critical works.



R. Terry Mount

Mount continues as Coordinator of the Graduate Certificate Program in Hispanic Studies. He read papers at the Kentucky Foreign Language Conference (Lexington, KY; April) and the Mountain Interstate Foreign Language Conference (Charleston, SC; October). Three projects have been submitted for publication: an article on

Lazarillo de Tormes, a translation of Berceo's *Vida de Santa Oria*, and a revision of *Miracles of Our Lady* by Berceo, of which Dr. Mount is co-translator.



Donna McGiboney

McGiboney presented scholarly papers on works by contemporary Mexican and Spanish women writers at three conferences in spring 2003, sponsored by the Southeastern Colloquium on Latin American

Studies, the Carolina Conference on Romance Languages and Literatures, and the Kentucky Foreign Languages Conference. She received a summer 2003 Research Initiative Grant and continues preparing her papers for publication. McGiboney performed Brazilian and Latin American folksongs at the department's *Spanish Night*.



Teresita Parra

Parra, in addition to teaching and being again faculty advisor for the Spanish Club, has been editing some of her short stories to be added to her collection and published in the future. In the fall 2004, Dr. Parra will enter the UNCW Phased Retirement Program in

which she will teach only in the fall semesters during the next three years. She is looking forward to doing some reading and writing as well as some traveling during the spring semesters.

Focus on Faculty



Lizzy Pressley

Pressley continued teaching two courses of Spanish for the professions: Spanish for Health Professionals and Spanish for Social Services. In both courses students engaged in service-learning, working in health clinics and social services agencies that provide assistance to Latinos. In the summer she took a group of students to Irapuato, Gto., Mexico, where they had the opportunity to experience Mexican life, learn about the culture, and make new friends.



John Stevens

Stevens is an assistant professor of Spanish specializing in Hispanic linguistics and second-language acquisition. In October 2003, Stevens presented a paper on Spanish dialectal variation at the Mountain Interstate Foreign Language Conference at the College of Charleston. The paper has since been prepared for publication and is currently under review by *Hispania*. In the fall of 2004, Stevens will travel to Spain to direct the North Carolina Consortium for Study Abroad Program in Santander, Spain.



Valerie Rider

Rider completed her second year as coordinator for lower and intermediate Spanish and taught an Honors section of Spanish. Most exciting of all, as always, were the trips she led abroad. Rider took a group to Spain for Spring Break, introducing them to the enchanting cities of Madrid, Toledo, Segovia, and Sevilla. In the summer, she acted as resident director for faculty members participating in a Fulbright-Hays project in Valparaíso, Chile. Rider says she lives with a bag always packed and ready to go!



Peter Thomas

Thomas led the summer study abroad program at the Universidad de San Francisco in Quito, Ecuador, where he also organized and taught the graduate course "Current Issues in the Andes." During the academic year, he gave a talk on "What's New to Read in Latin American Fiction" during UNCW's Intercultural Week and presented the movie "El Norte" as part of FLL's outreach activities to the Hispanic community. Thomas continues with his on-going research on "*The City of Quito as a Sign of the Labyrinth in the Ecuadorian Novel.*"



Lori Spicher

Spicher went bicoastal this year. She enjoyed a dynamic fall semester integrating an innovative second-language phonetics pedagogy in two courses at UNCW. In a special session at the 2003 AATSP Conference, Spicher and her coauthor, Frances Sweeney, presented the research and demonstrated the methodology to colleagues in second-language acquisition. Spicher spent the spring semester in California as a visiting professor at St. Mary's College, where she taught Spanish language courses and a seminar on fieldwork in Spanish dialectology. □



Ashlee Balena

Ashlee Balena, (lecturer in Spanish), received her master's degree in Romance Languages, with a concentration in Spanish, from UNCG in December 2002 and a Master's degree in Secondary Education from the University of Alabama in 2000. She will teach primarily first- and second-year Spanish classes at UNCW. Balena will also serve as director of our summer study abroad program in Quito.

New Faculty

New Faculty



Pascale Barthe

Barthe (Assistant Professor of French) received her doctorate in French literature and civilization from the University of Virginia in 2002. Her current research deals with representations of the Ottomans in 16th Century France. Barthe explores how different cultures, particularly those of European and non-Western European origin, perceive each other. Barthe broadens this non-canonical perspective even more with her work on Francophone literature by women.



Scott Juall

Juall (Assistant Professor of French) received his doctorate in French from the University of Colorado in 2003. Juall specializes in prose narrative of the French Renaissance. As a Peace Corps volunteer, he spent over two years in West Africa and, therefore, has intimate knowledge of the Francophone literature and culture of Africa and the Caribbean. His expertise will enable us to diversify and contemporize our French offerings at UNCW.



Regina Félix

Félix (Assistant Professor of Portuguese) received her doctorate in Portuguese from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 2003. Regina will develop Portuguese language, culture, and literature classes, thereby diversifying language offerings at UNCW. A specialist in contemporary literature by female Brazilian authors, Regina will also contribute to the Women's Studies and Latin American Studies programs.



Michelle Scatton-Tessier

Scatton-Tessier (Visiting Assistant Professor of French) received her doctorate in French from the University of Iowa in 2001. Michelle has extensive teaching experience in the United States and France and has taught graduate and undergraduate classes in French and Francophone literature and culture. She specializes in French film and has also developed classes in business French and introduction to reading.

Alumni

Elizabeth Cherry (FRH/SOC '99) is nearing completion of her master's degree in sociology at the University of Georgia (Athens) and is currently living in Avignon, France, as resident assistant to UGA's program in France. She supervises 19 American students.

Liliane De Fant (FRH '91) began graduate work in French at the University of Florida, (Gainesville), in the spring of 2004. Liliane graduated with honors in French and has been teaching in Jacksonville, NC.

Jennifer "Jenn" Head (FRH/MBY '97) is now a doctoral candidate in Marine Biology at the University of Oregon. She obtained a Research Fulbright and completed in FRENCH a Master's degree in Marine Biology at the Université de Liège, (Belgium), prior to entering the Marine Biology Ph.D. program in Oregon.

Gregory G. Hilton (SPN/EVS '99) recently completed his master's degree in International Business from the University of South Carolina and is a project manager with the South Carolina Export Consortium, a non-profit agency devoted to economic development through export promotion and trade development. He consults and trains employees from small and medium businesses on export strategies.

Lauren James (BSB/FRH '02) has been hired as the managing director of the French-American Chamber of Commerce-Charlotte Chapter. This sector of the Chamber of the Commerce assists French businesses in Charlotte and the surrounding areas.

Jeff Justice (FRH '03), has been accepted into the International Studies graduate program at NC State.

Shannon Millikin (SPN '00) was accepted into the doctoral program in Spanish and was awarded a teaching assistantship from the University of Miami, Florida. She began her studies in fall 2003

Adrienne Westlake (SPN '02) was recently hired by Nationwide Insurance Company as an interpreter for local agents and their Hispanic clients.



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