

It's Spring! The snows of winter have given way to the rains of spring. The crocuses will soon pop up to greet us. And we too arise from our winter doldrums, resurrected from the dark days. Or as e.e. cummings says,

Spring is like a perhaps hand
(which comes carefully
out of Nowhere)arranging
a window,into which people look(while
people stare
arranging and changing placing
carefully there a strange
thing and a known thing here)and

Dr. Jamie H.
Trnka's book
appeared in print
in February.

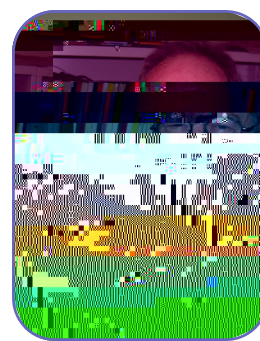
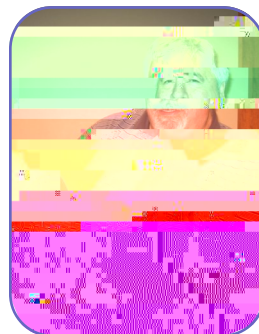
demonstrates
that East and
West German

Dr. Silva
published
the peer
review
article: -
"Conquista
del espacio
en

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pp. 14 (Forthcoming March 15, 2015)
and the review of Jennifer Jenkins
Wood.



Latin American film festival spring 2015

The life and work of Archbishop Oscar Romero who opposed, at great personal risk, the tyrannical repression in El Salvador.

With minor-key delicacy, *Bad Hair* (Pelo Malo) focuses on a nine-year-old boy exploring issues of identity and a desire that he doesn't yet understand.

Seventeenth annual intersession in Mexico



Scranton students learn about pre-Hispanic cultures among the pyramids of Teotihuacan.

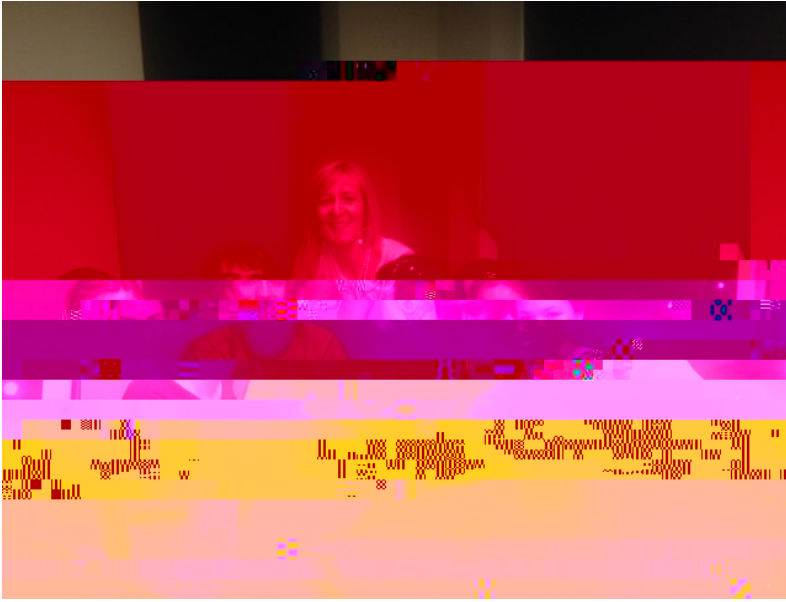
This year marked the University's seventeenth annual intersession trip to Mexico. Five Scranton students accompanied Drs. Silva and Trnka on the intensive three-week course. Students completed coursework in Spanish language and culture and in Mexican history at the Iberoamerican University, a Jesuit university in Puebla, Mexico. Their coursework was complemented by weekend excursions to Oaxaca, Mexico City, and Cholula, as well as homestay experiences with local families. The Department of World Languages and Cultures and the Latin American Studies Program are excited to offer students this six-credit immersion experience annually. For information about participating in future trips, please contact Dr. Silva (yamile.silva@scranton.edu) or Dr. Trnka

7th annual Summer study abroad in Florence, Italy

In June 2014, Drs. Marzia Caporale and Virginia Picchiotti co-directed the University's 7th annual Summer Study Abroad in Florence, Italy. Students participating in this academic program resided in apartments located in the historic center of Florence while taking courses at the Italian government-accredited

. They also attended on-site lectures in Fiesole, a town just outside Florence with Etruscan and Roman ruins, the San Marco Monastery, which houses the most important collection of works by the Early Renaissance painter Fra Angelico, and the basilica of San Miniato al Monte, an important example of Florentine Romanesque architecture. On the weekend, students took 3, fully chaperoned one-day trips to the Chianti region, where they learned how wine is made and had a traditional, full-course Tuscan lunch; Venice, where they took a ride in a gondola and visited a glass factory; and the medieval city of Siena and surrounding countryside. Students also enjoyed free time one day each weekend, in which they were able to take trips to other destinations, such as Rome.

Happenings around the department



Dr. Marzia Caporale hosts a French Cooking Class for students.



2015 INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
ASIAN STUDIES: Taiwan and China in the
Global Context

Dr. Linda Ledford-Miller will serve as session chair

Shown above are several of the tutors in the LLC language, math and science tutoring program for local Bhutanese high school students. These students' families were part of a large population of Bhutanese living in tent camps in southern Nepal before being granted refugee status in the U.S. From the left Josh Jimenez, Lauren Coggins, Meg Hudock, and Josh Bayzick.
