



THE GLOBE



A newsletter for students, alumni, and friends of
WCU's International Studies program

**KEEP
CALM
AND SEE YOUR
ACADEMIC
ADVISOR**

Advising Day is on Tuesday, October 31!!!

The International Studies major will hold a **MANDATORY** advising meeting on October 31 from 10:00-11:00am in Stillwell 425. **There will be donuts!!!** At the meeting, we'll talk briefly about study abroad, internship possibilities, and then all students will be given a complete list of INST courses being offered in the spring, which will help immensely as you choose next semester's classes. Also, don't forget to make an individual advising appointment with your International Studies advisor. If you are not sure who your advisor is, please contact Dr. Schiff (jsschiff@wcu.edu), and she will be happy to point you in the right direction.

Get to know your INST professors! Join Dr. Bego for Tea and Talk!!

ALL International Studies majors are invited to hang out with Dr. Bego, who teaches several of our INST classes. Take a break from your daily routine and come out to make some new friends at **Tea and Talk**. The conversation veers in various directions but is informal, at times informative, and many times vaguely related to International Studies. Drop in as you can, there is no such thing as being late for Tea. We hope to see you then! **There are two more Tea and Talk dates left in the Fall 2017 semester (see below).**



**November 3
3:00-4:00 PM
In Stillwell 348**

**December 1
3:00-4:00 PM
In Stillwell 348**





INTERNATIONAL STUDIES CLUB

All International Studies majors and minors (and anyone with an interest in international issues) are welcome to join the International Studies Club (ISC) here at Western.

The club's next meeting is on Thursday, November 2 at 5:00 pm in the UC — please contact club president Aubree Payne at ajpayne1@catamount.wcu.edu for more information.

Pictured at left: ISC members (Jansen Haneline and Jackie Perez) making delicious danishes during one of their recent meetings.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

October 27: By 5:00 pm - **Last day to withdraw from a class with a "W."**

October 31: 10:00-11:00 am in Stillwell 425 - **Mandatory Advising Day meeting for INST**

November 8: 4:00-5:30 pm in UC Multipurpose - **Global Spotlight on Indigenous Groups**

December 4: 4:00-5:30 pm in UC Multipurpose - **INST Capstone Presentations**

Studying Abroad in the Spring?

Apply for a Global Catamount Study Abroad Award!!!

Applications for the Global Catamount Award are due to Dr. Schiff via email (jsschiff@wcu.edu) by 5:00p on Tuesday, November 7, and you can find the application link on the [INST webpage](#):



Student Spotlight on...

Kenyetta McGowens

(Winner of the 2017 Dean's Scholar Award for International Studies)



Q & A with Kenyetta

1. Why did you choose to major in International Studies?

I have always had an interest in the many different cultures around the world. International studies is a major where I get to scratch that itch.

2. What is your second major and projected graduation date from WCU?

My second major is Communications with a concentration in Public Relations. I am scheduled to graduate in spring 2018.

3. Did you study abroad? If so, where, and what's the one thing you learned most from the experience?

I studied abroad in Bulgaria, spring 2017. I learned how vast the world is. It may seem obvious but I never realized just how big the world was until I went to explore it. There are so many people with so many differing thoughts, feelings and histories. It made me realize the importance of getting out of our country and truly connecting with people who see the world differently from you.

4. What are your plans after graduation?

After I graduate, I plan to on earning a master's degree in Public Administration. From there I want to be the founder of a nonprofit after school program.

5.. Name one International Studies class you've really enjoyed during your time at WCU. What stands out to you about that class?

I enjoyed the Model United Nations class. I loved having to learn about the history, politics and culture of a country then apply that knowledge to real topics and situations. Then you got to work together to write resolutions like a real member of the UN.

6. What's one piece of advice you have for INST majors who are just starting the program?

My advice for all new International Studies majors is to make sure you are passionate about the major. Studying and learning is so much easier when you are actually interested in what you are being taught.