

THIS IS MY GLOBAL CLASSROOM



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Welcome to the first issue of “This Is My Classroom.”

In this issue, we focus on the recent global activities that our students have experienced.

At the College of Education and Health Sciences (CEHS), we strive to provide a global experience to our students. Although CEHS is based in Garden City, our classroom is the world.

Mark Twain famously said, “Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness...” He may be right. However, moving around the globe instead of “vegetating in one little corner of the earth all one’s lifetime” is not enough. Without self-understanding and reflection, a mishap in another country and culture may lead to bias and wrong conclusions. Helping our students understand and reflect on their experiences is the hallmark of our travel courses in global classrooms. Through exposure, exploration, and reflection, our students are on the way to becoming critical members of the global community.

Please turn the pages that follow and see how our students have benefited from global classrooms and how they have broadened their horizons. Please join us in helping our students become global-minded citizens.

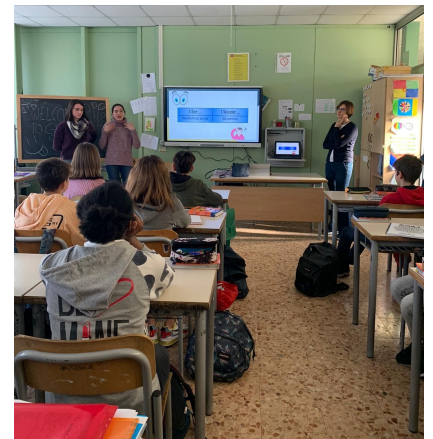
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Stay tuned for our next issue: This Is My Classroom: Community Engagement

THIS IS MY CLASSROOM IN ITALY



We visited Vatican City with our Dean, Xiao-lei Wang, and the Colosseum in Rome with our Professor, Clara Bauler.



We learned how to make Italian pasta and the meaning behind it.

On our way back from Pompeii where we learned about the Roman History.

We interacted with students in the classroom.

THIS IS MY CLASSROOM IN KENYA



We visited a school in Wangige, Kenya on the Kenya Service Learning Trip led by Dr. Anne Mungai and Dr. Esther Kogan. We now have a better understanding of the lives of children who live on different continents.

THIS IS MY CLASSROOM IN TAIWAN



We worked with English students on group projects.

We visited the foremost School of Education in Taiwan, The National Taipei University of Education.



Dr. Diana Schwinge and Dr. Ming Wu led this trip and guided us in understanding Taiwan, its culture, and education.

THIS IS MY CLASSROOM IN NORWAY



Dr. Rob Linné and Professor Mary Jean McCarthy led the trip to Norway, which has broadened our horizons with their educational approaches. Their progressive educational philosophy has helped us to reflect on our own educational practices.

IN OUR OWN WORDS...

"It is eye-opening, involves hands-on learning, and life-changing."



"I feel I'm more ready to work with children who come from more challenging backgrounds."



"No person can tell what the world is without actually seeing it."

"You get to see the world and have a once-in-a-lifetime experience."

"Learned to be flexible, culturally aware, and grateful always."



"The skills from this trip apply directly to my career goals."



"Being an explorer for ten days gave me the instruments to become a better educator."

"It made me extremely aware and grateful for everything I grew up with and have today."



"You will meet individuals who will impact your outlook on life."



JOIN US IN EXPLORING THE WORLD!



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