

# ***Knightly Adventures Abroad***

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**Major: Accounting**

**If I could do it over, I would have spent an entire semester in Australia.**

**Years/Term Abroad: Summer 2006**

Name of program and why you chose it:  
**- CCSA – Summer 2006 – International Business Law**  
**- I wanted to see Sydney and learn of Australian business and culture. What better way to do that than by understanding how the Australian legal system compares to other systems across the globe.**

Describe the Housing Situation:  
**We stayed in a hotel, 2 students per room. Our classrooms were some of the conference rooms at the hotel. It sounds weird, but the location of the hotel (downtown) was amazing! We were in the middle of EVERYTHING!**

Best Memory: **Watching Australia play Italy in the World Cup, alongside 10,000 Australians at Circular Quay.**

How has this experience enriched your Bellarmine educational experience?  
**First, I was given the opportunity to learn something of many cultures of the world (Australia's being only one). Second, I was able to meet many new wonderful friends, 2 of whom are fellow Bellarmine students, whom otherwise, I would never have met.**

Greatest Challenge: **Having to leave Sydney.**

Experiences with Culture Shock or Reverse Culture Shock:  
**In Australia, cars drive on the left – I can't tell you how many times I nearly got smashed by a passing bus.**

What you know now that you didn't know before going abroad:  
**The Great Barrier Reef is so much more amazing in person than any picture or video could portray.**



Advice to future study abroad participants:  
**Find the coolest places anywhere near where you are staying, and go to all of them. Make sure you take some of the friends you meet with you.**



Since going to Australia, I can't wait to do two things:  
**1. Travel Europe**  
**2. Go back to Australia**