



Knighly Adventures Abroad

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If I could do it over, I would... not change a thing.

Majors: Elementary and Special Education

Years/Term Abroad: Summer 2017



Name of program and why you chose it: Comparative Study of Education. As an education major I am interested in learning what other countries have for their education system, so this was a perfect trip for me.

Describe the Housing Situation: We were in a hotel for the first few nights and then we were in apartments. The students were in one complex and teachers in another.

Greatest Challenge: Converting currency every time I wanted to buy something, just to make sure I wasn't overpaying

Try everything. You will only regret the things you don't try there.

Best Memory: The visit to the Addo Schottia Game Park. Specifically, the lion roaring at night. I got a video of it and it was stunning.

Experiences with Culture Shock or Reverse Culture Shock: Learning to think of currency differently was very confusing at first, I would see a meal cost 50 Rand and I thought that was a lot. It's \$3.70.



How has this experience enriched your Bellarmine educational experience?
It has given me educational perspective as well as some knowledge of the social justice issues in South Africa.

What you know now that you didn't know before going abroad: I didn't know a great deal about Nelson Mandela and the Apartheid movement. Now I know a bit about it as a result of the impact it has on life there still.

It was the best trip of my life, I would do it again in a heartbeat.