Greetings to all Emeritus Faculty. It has been an eventful year on the UNI campus, highlighted by a change in the University Presidency. Ben Allen will be retiring from the office, and will be succeeded by William Ruud, who is currently President of Shippensburg State University in Pennsylvania. The effective date for this transition will be June 1. We wish Dr. Allen well in his retirement, and we welcome Dr. Ruud to our campus. In the 137 years of ISNS/ISTC/SCI/UNI’s existence, Dr. Ruud will be only our 10th president, following Presidents Gilchrist, Seerley, Latham, Price, Maucker, Kamerick, Curris, Koob and Allen. I must be getting old, since I personally knew six of these nine predecessors!

The Emeritus Association has been active this year, holding monthly meetings at the Cedar Falls Clarion Inn (first Wednesday of the month) for lunch and an interesting program. Samples of last year’s program topics include the history of old silent movies, the legacy of Dr. Louis Begeman from the Physics Department a century ago, a discussion of health care in the area by Jack Dusenbery of Covenant, reports of UNI students who have studied abroad recently with support from scholarships funded by Bob Eller, and reflections from Gary Kroeger, now a Cedar Falls resident and formerly of Saturday Night Live. In April our Annual Luncheon featured a program by Dr. John Vallentine about the campanile; in December we met at Wind Ridge on the Western Home Campus and enjoyed a program by Lampost Theatre. We hope that you can join us this year for our activities. If you are not receiving monthly email announcements of our meetings from Thomas Thompson, please contact me right away at david.duncan@uni.edu and I will get you added to our electronic mailing list.

This newsletter contains a number of interesting contributions from fellow emeriti, plus some updates of campus activities written by current faculty and staff. We hope it provides interesting reading for you.

Incoming UNI President Bill Ruud

The Board of Regents, State of Iowa, has named William N. Ruud, president of Shippensburg University, to be the 10th president of the University of Northern Iowa. President Ruud earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Public Administration and Hospital Administration from the University of North Dakota, and both master’s and doctoral degrees in Organizational Behavior, Management and Strategy, and Organizational Communication from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Ruud will assume the duties of UNI president on June 1.

Ruud with Panther mascots T.C. and T.K. at his welcoming ceremony in February.
Feedback From Members

Janice Abel
After 20 years I am still reinventing myself. As a former career counselor/administrator I am trying to live up to what I believe in: change-grow or die! I continue to enjoy music in many ways. The Gallagher-Bluedorn and UNI music department provide one outlet. I travel to places that are special to me- Colorado, the National Parks & Sanibel, Florida. I continue to write fiction; recently a collection of short fantasy stories, “Dream Shifters,” and this year it will be “Brass Notes Over Wolf Creek,” a return to 1945 with a story that is real. All my stories are listed at Amazon.com.

Jim Becker
Greetings from Fountain Hills, AZ where my wife Jeannine and I have called home over the past five years. We love AZ and all the perks that come with the vibrant Valley. Me, I keep busy as a guide at Taliesin West, the Frank Lloyd Wright school of architecture, and as a volunteer at Mayo Clinic. In addition I continue to marvel at my 15 language sites I wrote at http://www.uni.edu/becker that continue to grow, now into the millions of page visits worldwide. I also have started up a new travel website for seniors @ http://seniorcitizen.travel and work daily on that. Jeannine is my editor. Having my daughter Ann and her family in town makes it even better.

Lynn Brant
Life is good with some travel, writing, speaking, and such. Spent a week at an international diatom meeting last summer in Ghent, Belgium. We were a few doors from the place where the Treaty of Ghent was signed in 1814, ending the War of 1812. Oh, Belgium makes fine beer! Because relations between the U.S. and England have improved over the past 200 years we spent two weeks in London and southern England. Visited lots of cathedrals, fossil sites, and more. Had a great trip. Did I mention the beer?

George Day
Not too much to report: A big move. After 45 years living in Waterloo and commuting to UNI, now that I don’t work there anymore I live just a few blocks away from campus. Now I even have a Cedar Falls telephone number! 266-3457. I did have a nice trip to faraway, exotic, Nebraska and Kansas with my daughter. We visited relatives, a class reunion, and did some research in Lindsborg KS for a book we are putting together on my aunt’s paintings.

Erv Dennis
Erv and LaVada Dennis have been privileged to “see over the hill” and “round the bend” during our 52 plus years of marriage. This past October we continued our travels with a 2½-week trip to England, Belgium, and France. We visited our good friends in both London and near Liege, Belgium. Our English friends took us to Windsor Castle for an extensive tour, Oxford University for a day of observing and exploring, plus other interesting locations. Our Belgium friends took us into France for five days/nights where we toured and visited the champagne and wine countryside of Alsace Lorraine.

Albert R. Gilgen
2012 was the first full year without Carol who died December 14 [her birthday] 2011. The comfort offered by my sons, Bert and Jim and my daughter, Beth, has been a godsend. I’m still regaining my strength following a bout with the flu which sent me to the hospital for three days late last year. I spend a lot of time watching the news and stock market. Every once in a while, I attend a concert and a lifelong learning course. Finally, I have ordered my tombstone which is made of marble [or granite] imported from India. Carol’s and my ashes will be buried in the same urn in Greenwood Cemetery. Very exciting.

Roger Hanson
My wife, Marilyn, and I wanted an early spring in March 2012, so decided to learn more about the Mississippi River. We traveled by automobile rather directly to the mouth, and then drove slowly north, stopping at many points of interest along the river. In the “mouth region” about 90 miles south of New Orleans the river breaks up into several main passages like fingers on a hand, but also spreads out into a mixture of water, wetlands, islands, birds, and oil refineries on available “high ground.” As we worked our way north some high points were: the Hale Boggs Memorial Bridge; the Bonnet Carre Spillway; grand antebellum homes in Natchez, MS (but tempered by the reminder that they were the product of slave labor on plantations and in the elegant homes); the Natchez Trace (originally an old Native American trail connecting what is now Natchez, MS and Nashville, TN); Vicksburg, MS; New Madrid, MO, center of the terrible earthquake of 1811 felt as far away as Washington, DC; the confluence of the Ohio River and the Mississippi at Cairo, IL (Lewis and Clark paused here for a week on their way from Pennsylvania to the Mississippi/Missouri river system to teach each other navigational and surveying skills for their trip to explore the area of the Louisiana purchase); and Hannibal, MO, boyhood home of Samuel Clemens/Mark Twain. Exploration of the upper regions of the river looked more attractive for July when we spent a week by the headwaters at Itasca State Park in northern Minnesota, where we waded across the stream. Still on the “to do” list is a riverboat trip from Dubuque to St. Paul, MN.

Tom Hill
Since retiring, Paula and I split our time between Cedar Falls and our place on the Mississippi River near Lansing, Iowa. I became certified as an EMT-B and served as a volunteer on the Lansing ambulance service for two years. I have continued to do a little writing and recently finished a book entitled Native American Drinking: Life Styles, Alcohol Use, Drunken Comportment, Problem Drinking, and the Peyote Religion. It will be published by New University Press and will be available through Amazon. However, given a choice between working at my desk or kayaking on the Mississippi, I choose the river.

Marilou Kratzenstein
Marilou continues to enjoy living in San Diego. This past year she accepted a position as Organist at a church where the Director of Music is Bill Hatcher, University of Iowa professor emeritus. So UNI and U of IA have joined forces to bring beautiful music to Southern California. Another item of note: Marilou found her volunteer work in
Guatemala to be so rewarding last year, that she returned in February 2013 to work on similar projects.

Roger Kueter
It was my pleasure to have served the State of Iowa at University of Northern Iowa in the service of individuals pursuing an education. I retired on June 30, after spending 42 years of a very fulfilling and rewarding academic career. I look forward to my next phase of life with joy and excitement. Participating in the events and lives of our ten grandchildren leads the list of retirement goals. Yes, Barb and I will do some traveling, but the Cedar Valley has so much to offer that we feel very fulfilled living here in our own home as long as we are able. Community involvement for both of us include our church community of St. Patrick, and a variety of social groups which includes many of the readers of this newsletter. Barb enjoys her flower and vegetable gardening and my assignment is the lawn and usual house maintenance. I remain an active member of the Cedar Falls Utilities Board of Trustees, Cedar Falls Historical Society and Rotary International.

Dr. Loretta Kuse
I live on our family farm at Medford, Wisconsin with my sister Hildegard. After retiring we have enjoyed working with many visitors who come to our museum and nature preserve. We have a website for which we are developing many materials. Many of my photographs and our written materials are on it. The site provides guidance for people using our nature trails. We have QR codes at some of the benches on the trail so visitors can access information about the area by using a smart phone or iPad. Explore our website at http://kuse.medford.k12.wi.us/main/index.html.

H. Lewis Lynch
I am still living at Friendship Village in Waterloo. I have lived here and at Mallard Point for many years during which my wife, Alma, passed away. I am enjoying my four children and their many descendants. I was born in 1922 and will be having (not celebrating) another birthday in March. I am living independently in my own apartment with one meal provided. Our New Horizons band at the University of Northern Iowa started spring rehearsals and I do my best playing the saxophone. I don’t look too far ahead, but enjoy my days.

Germana Nijim
I think many of you will agree with me when I say that time is FLYING. Gracious me, will I really be 75 in August? Well, I can’t complain too much. I love my life in South Bend, Indiana. I am very involved as an usher with the Performing Arts Center at the University of Notre Dame, where my son, Sharif works in Information Technology and teaches. As an usher, I have the opportunity of enjoying a variety of artistic presentations: concerts, plays, musicals, town hall meetings, foreign films. I am a member of a unique group of wonderful volunteers! I also volunteer at Ten Thousand Villages, our version of The World’s Window in Cedar Falls, where we sell West Bank artifacts among other beautiful things. The highlight of last year was our trip to Italy for three weeks. (Sharif and wife, Allison, their three children and me.) Christmas in Bolzano, my home town; day after in Venice, where Luca, 8, chased and caught a pigeon in Piazza San Marco! I don’t know which one of the two was trembling more... New Year in Firenze with side trips to Pisa and Siena. Then Roma and Pompei. I think we must have walked the total of once around the earth! I never imagined that the children (8, 6, and 3) could be such superb and fun travelers! My next big trip will be to Palestine in November for the Sabeel Conference. Yes, the struggle for justice goes on. And justice will eventually prevail! I miss Basheer every day, and I carry on the struggle in his name as well as mine.

John Page
Mary Lou and I are still living in Arizona at a very good assisted living complex with over 700 seniors. Our home is a garden home, a comfortable small apartment we share with two cats. Mary Lou is busy with book groups and editing local publications. I am painting small abstract watercolors and 17 of them will be showing at the Hearst Center in Cedar Falls from June 7th to August 4th.

Lyle Rasmussen
After over ten years of retirement I’m still enjoying good health and biking and walking to stay in shape. Spending time with my five grandchildren who range in age from two to eight has been a blessing. Traveling to Europe three times and vacationing in several states has been fun and educational. Volunteering opportunities have included being on a church board, being a care-call visitor for our church and serving on our Foster Care review board. Building projects have included helping my son build his log home at Spook Cave and Camp Ground and volunteering for Habitat for Humanity.

Ruth Ratliff
Since retiring in March 2011, I’ve kept busy with preparations to become a deacon in the Episcopal Church. This has involved becoming a student again, something I enjoy greatly. I’ve also had fun serving as a Reading Buddy for third-graders at Becker School, Waterloo. Hopefully, the coming summer will give me opportunity to engage in my hobby of photographing barn quilts and other Iowa curiosities.

Thomas H. Thompson
After 19 years, I think I’ve finally gotten the hang of retirement. I’ve retired from the baritone sax, after playing since the age of 14, though the California St. Sax Quartet carries on. I try to stay mentally alert by composing a monthly Sunday column for the Waterloo/CF Courier. I work out occasionally on my exercise bike. Also, I now have more time for reading and I’m currently working on Jon Meacham’s new book on Thomas Jefferson. Moreover, I’ve been a faithful attendant at the monthly emeritus lunches as well as a member of a Thursday lunch group.

Lee Thomson
This past year has been a busy one with excellent music and athletic events to attend at UNI. I’m still playing trombone in three different bands and
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enjoying it very much. I am spending February and March at the Plantation Resort near Gulf Shores, AL. It’s a great way to shorten Iowa’s winter!

Leonard Upham
In July, 2012, wife Cathy, daughter Laura, and I traveled with son David’s family to Perpignan, France, to visit our daughter-in-law’s parents. While there, we visited many sights in the Catalan region of southern France. Cathy, Laura, and I flew to Bratislava, Slovakia, to visit Michal Kruzliak’s family. Michal lived with us during the 1992-1993 academic year while he attended NU High. Michal was brought to PLS by the UNI COE faculty group who were involved with the Slovakian Department of Education in an effort to improve their education system after the demise of the Soviet Union.

Robley Wilson
A tranquil year for Susan and me with, alas, no world travels to share. My sixth story collection, Who Will Hear Your Secrets? appeared last spring, was briefly reviewed in the Wall Street Journal, then pretty much vanished. A novella of mine, “Teresa Frechette,” is in the Spring 2013 issue of the Santa Monica Review. Florida is more benign than ever, thanks partly to global warming, though its politics (and America’s worst governor) leave something to be desired.

From China to Iowa: New Physics Students Appreciate UNI

By: Cliff Chancey (c.chancey@uni.edu)

How many of these Chinese cities do you recognize? Shanghai, Shenzhen, Jingzhou. Shanghai, the largest city in China, is located on the mid-southern coast. It is also among the largest cities in the world with 23 million citizens within its city limits. Shenzhen lies on the south coast in Guangdong province, over-shadowed by its more famous neighbor, Hong Kong. Even so, Shenzhen is a city of more than 10 million people. The smallest of the three cities, Jingzhou, lies inland in southern Hubei province 180 miles due west of Shanghai. But size is relative: Jingzhou with 6 million people still holds twice as many people as the state of Iowa.

What links these three cities and what is their common connection to UNI? All have sent students to the UNI Physics program in the last year! This growing connection between China and UNI did not come about by chance. It is the result of a formal recruiting program directed at high-ability Chinese students. UNI and UNI Physics have a growing reputation in China, and Chinese students recognize and appreciate UNI for many of the same reasons that Iowa students do: caring and highly qualified faculty, state-of-the-art facilities, and an emphasis on student-centered research.

Three students from China matriculated at UNI as physics majors in 2012-13. Six are expected to enroll in the 2013-14 academic year.

Dr. Rui He, UNI’s newest assistant professor of physics, directs the recruitment effort. She is fluent in English, but it’s her fluency in Mandarin, Cantonese, and several inland dialects, that allows her to talk by computer (via Skype) with high school and college students, and their parents, in China. Personal attention works in China just as it does in Iowa.

April 2012 saw the first recruiting agreement signed between UNI Physics and a Chinese high school: Hubei Shashi High School in Jingzhou. This partnership is typical of other agreements fostered in the last year: three Hubei Shashi students will come to UNI Physics each year under the agreement. The high school, with 2,000 students, is only one of several in Jingzhou.

The April 2012 agreement was the first such partnership between a Jingzhou high school and any American university department. It was new enough that the Jingzhou TV news broadcast a special 10-minute program highlighting the partnership (viewable at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y5zcMosZlio).

The UNI Physics faculty and students look forward to welcoming more Chinese to UNI during coming years.
University of Northern Iowa
Office of the Registrar

By: Phil Patton

The position of Registrar was among one of the first administrative positions created within higher education. The position, itself, dates back to the end of the 12th century in Europe. However, it was not until 1446 that the official title of “Registrar” was first coined by the leadership at Oxford University. According to Quann (1979), the Registrar was charged with giving structure and permanency to university actions, drafting letters, copying documentation, and keeping record of all students – both current and graduating – as well as their final examination proposals and projects.

Of those institutions belonging to the American Association of Universities (AAU), fewer than 10 percent had Registrars in 1880. However, by 1910 – the founding year of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO) – 76 percent of AAU institutions had Registrars (Quann, 1979). In 1891, Stanford University opened with Orrin Elliot as the first Registrar. At that time, the Registrar was a teaching faculty member whose primary responsibility was to serve as the chief administrative officer – working to support the academic and administrative functions, as well as the mission, of the institution. Everything from admissions, billing, collections, keeping institutional communications, and collecting, maintaining, and disseminating student records were included in the job responsibilities of the Registrar. As can be determined, the role of Registrar has always been that of “generalist” – a reality that still rings true to this day.

As the role of the Registrar evolved over time, it shifted from [essentially] being the second in command – after the President – at the institution, to filling a narrower role, yet one that is critical to the life of the institution. The Office of the Registrar at the University of Northern Iowa (UNI) is an important point of contact for faculty, staff, students, alumni, and community members alike because it provides services including, but not limited to: Course set-up; room assignments; registration; establishment and enforcement of educational policies; Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) education and regulation; academic record creation and maintenance; transfer credit evaluation; grades processing; academic transcript creation and maintenance; certification of enrollment; ensuring institutional compliance with state and federal regulations; monitoring student progress toward degree; student record analysis; data management; reporting (i.e., institutional, state, and federal-level); graduation check-out and degree clearance; diploma preparation; commencement; educational benefits certification for veterans; curriculum and university catalog preparation; tuition adjustments; academic standing; teacher licensure; withdrawal processing; determining outcomes pertaining to academic appeals; creation of the academic calendar; and certifying academic eligibility to student athletes.

While the Office of the Registrar at UNI performs all of the aforementioned duties, it is important to note that the exact set of responsibilities within Registrar’s Offices varies by institutional type, size, and reporting structure. Some institutions have a Registrar’s Office for each academic college (i.e., a decentralized model), whereas UNI has one office that services the entire university (i.e., a centralized model). Organizationally, the Office of the Registrar is housed within the Division of Student Affairs at UNI. However, it is not uncommon for a Registrar’s Office to be located within the Division of Academic Affairs.

Based upon information provided in old University Catalogs, it is assumed that a stenographer in the Office of the President performed the record keeping functions prior to 1911. When the Office of the Registrar was established in 1911, its responsibilities included admissions, data processing, institutional research, registration, and record keeping.

In 1972, the responsibility for admissions was removed from the Office of the Registrar and placed in the newly created Office of Admissions. The first Director of Admissions was Jack Wielen, who had been previously serving as the Associate Registrar. In 1978, the responsibility for information technology was removed from the Office of the Registrar and placed in the newly created Office of Information Technology. It was at that time, that the Office of the Registrar was no longer in charge of all data processing activities. In 2000, the Office of Institutional Research came into [permanent] existence, which significantly decreased the amount of reporting performed by the Office of the Registrar. At present, the reporting responsibilities still housed within Office of the Registrar pertain mainly to student data.

For the first 80 years or so of UNI technology was defined as paper and pen. The history of student enrollment and registration was kept in handwritten ledger books. We were hand typing...
student transcripts. We first used single individual records based on a unique student identification number starting in the 1920s.

The advent of computer supported record keeping dates to the late 1960s with very large mainframe computers. The first mainframe computers and tape drives would fill a room. The available memory in those first mainframe computers was less than what you have in your hand held calculator, or cell phone or even wrist watch of today.

Some of you may remember IBM cards and card readers which were the forerunners of computing and information storage. In the beginning, these cards were a rudimentary form of storing information and defining logic to create a program.

The first comprehensive computer-based student information system was developed in the late ‘70s and went live in the spring of 1982. The system was developed by personnel from the offices of Admissions, Information Technology and Registrar. The system was centered on a relational data base which was on the cutting edge of computing at that time. This system was modified extensively over time but it was not until 2010 that it was replaced by the Campus Solutions product of People Soft/Oracle Corporation.

A core function of the Registrar’s Office is of course registration. How students register for courses has evolved over time reflecting the technology of the day. Of course the first system was pen and paper followed by the IBM punch cards mentioned previously. Today students register on the Internet at any time of the day and from any site in the world. Our next enhancement will be registration by mobile devices such as a smart phone.

The goal of registration has always been the placement of students in appropriate courses as easily as possible. This office works closely with academic departments to ensure needed courses are provided in sufficient numbers to facilitate academic progress resulting in graduation by students. Systems now monitor pre-requisites, repeated courses, regression, financial and other registration holds and degree audit reports all in an attempt to make the registration process a routine and easy event for students.

Central to any successful registration system is the advising component provided by advising centers and individual faculty. An ongoing effort of this office is to put the best support systems in place for faculty so that they can advise and guide students appropriately and effortlessly. No matter what systems are in place now or in the future, nothing will replace the one-on-one advice and support that individual faculty members provide to individual students.

I would be remiss if I did not express the appreciation of this office to emeritus faculty. As the heart and soul of this university your dedication, loyalty and support are hereby recognized, applauded and appreciated.

Best wishes to you all.

Phil Patton

School of Music Celebrates 120 Years and Thanks All Emeritus Faculty Members

By John Vallentine, Ph.D.
Director & Professor

It is a pleasure for me to write to all emeritus faculty members with an update! The School of Music is excited to be celebrating its 120th Anniversary this academic year. I know that all of you served some of those years during your careers at UNI! While continuing our tradition of excellence, the School of Music has been constantly moving forward with our focus on continuing to be one of the best music schools in the Midwest. Not only is our tradition of serving as the leader in music education within the state of Iowa prospering, but we have recently expanded our Bachelor of Arts degree curriculum to feature five distinct tracks, allowing today’s music students to explore some of the most exciting and innovative careers and opportunities available. Our five tracks include options in Music Technology, Performing Arts Management, Jazz Studies, String Pedagogy, and our traditional general B.A. We are thrilled to see interest growing in these fields and look forward to further developing new and innovative approaches to educating our students in the future. But don’t worry, Mozart is still alive and well in the halls of Russell Hall or the Gallagher-Bluedorn Performing Arts Center!

This spring, we have an enormous selection of concerts, festivals, workshops and events. Our students and faculty collaborated to present an Opera Gala on February 23. The gala featured selections from Le Nozze di Figaro, Il Trovatore, Countess Maritza, Candide and more. Exceptionally talented School of Music students from the Opera Ensemble and the Northern Iowa Symphony Orchestra brought these opera favorites to life. In addition to an exciting opera season, our Spotlight Series Concerts will feature music from our exceptional large ensembles and faculty artists. The Wind Symphony, Symphonic Band, UNI Singers, Opera Ensemble and Varsity Men’s Glee Club will all be featured in this spring’s series, along with the Jazz Band One, who will travel on tour this spring to Thailand. The School of Music continues to offer more than one hundred events per semester and is proud to bring so many high quality musical performances to the community, all the while remaining deeply focused on our high academic standards for students. We applaud all of the UNI emeritus faculty members for leading the way in their support for the arts during their busy careers. Please join us for an event. We would love to see you back on campus again!
Study Abroad Opportunities at UNI

The UNI Study Abroad Center (SAC) offers 1,000+ academic opportunities in more than 60 countries and administers some 20 short-term programs overseas led by UNI faculty and staff. SAC programs range in duration from two to 52 weeks and allow students to earn UNI credit while studying abroad. Study, research, internships, service learning and volunteer programs are available to UNI students through SAC. Programs are designed to accommodate students’ program of study. Whether a student seeks to become fluent in another language, pursue an international degree, participate in a service learning opportunity, or simply experience life in another culture, SAC can make it happen. The Center assists students with selecting a program, getting ready to travel and making arrangements for their time abroad, living and studying while overseas, helps students while they are abroad and upon return to Iowa, as well as provides support for UNI faculty and staff leading short-term programs abroad.

STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS’ PROFILE

Although all six UNI academic colleges are represented among study abroad participants, more College of Humanities, Arts and Sciences majors (41%) study abroad than students from other colleges. The remaining breakdown is as follows: students majoring in Social and Behavioral Sciences (18%), Business Administration (14%), Education (11%), and Continuing Education and Special Programs (3%).

By academic classification, from 2007 to 2012, the majority of study abroad participants were juniors (39%), followed by seniors (32%), and sophomores (19%). Only about 7% of students taking part in academic programs overseas were graduate students.

While the numbers of students taking part in semester programs remains relatively steady (with 40-60 students traveling abroad in the fall and 70-80 students studying abroad in the spring), the numbers of students taking part in summer programs abroad increased dramatically in recent years from no students studying abroad in 2000 to 755 students abroad in 2012.

The Study Abroad Center is continuing to promote study abroad opportunities for all students on UNI’s campus and beyond. The number of student using SAC’s services increased dramatically in recent years with almost 1,350 unique students visiting the center at least once per year, with many of them returning on multiple occasions during the academic year for additional services and information with a total of 4,000 student visits.

COUNTRIES WHERE STUDENTS STUDY

Although students are free to select from a long list of countries, the following top 10 destinations that attract the vast majority of UNI students who study abroad: Germany, Spain, Italy, France, United Kingdom, Nicaragua, Japan, Mexico, China, and Greece.

OBSTACLES TO STUDY ABROAD

In spite of support services provided by SAC staff, still a relatively small percentage of UNI students take part in international opportunities while at UNI. Those who choose not to take part in study abroad cite the following factors among top barriers: finances, fears regarding safety and cultural differences, inability to fit an international experience into one’s academic program of study, and lack of foreign language skills.

To help students with finances, UNI provides modest scholarship support. This support has been enhanced by a private scholarship provided by the professor emeritus - Mr. Robert Eller. The Eller Scholarship has helped more than 25 undergraduate students to make their study abroad dreams come true.

For more information on the UNI Study Abroad Center and its programs, please visit our website www.uni.edu/studyabroad.

Thank you for bringing the Imagine the Impact Campaign to a successful close!

Thanks to you, our UNI emeriti, the Imagine the Impact campaign surpassed its goal by nearly $8 million, making it the largest fundraising effort in UNI’s history. The campaign ended December 31, 2012; a year ahead of schedule. The total raised was $157,857,609.48. The success of the campaign is not only measured by the dollars raised, but by what was accomplished for our students. The impact of this campaign will transcend generations to come thanks to endowed support and many estate gifts. On behalf of all current and future students, we thank you for your generosity. Read impact stories at www.uni-foundation.org
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