Program: UW in London, Spring

Megan’s Majors: English, Communication Arts

Academic Life: My classes in London were coordinated through FIE. While most classes are taught by British professors, the UW in London program is unique because a UW professor travels to London to teach - helping us create and maintain a connection back home and to each other. The classes are all American students, some of only UW students, and others students from all over the U.S. The classes were small and fostered an open and interactive experience. UW in London allows students to not only take a wide array of classes to help us better understand the complex, incredible city we are studying in, but also focuses on experience outside of the classroom.

Keeping Badger Pride Abroad: If I had to pick a memorable moment, I would say watching the March Madness games with everyone. Nothing screams Badger pride louder than all staying up until 2 am to watch the basketball team when you all have class at 9 that morning.

London as a Second Home: I realized that England - London in particular - was a second home when I would travel for the weekend and feel a sense of security when I returned to my flat. When I was packing to leave, the realization became even clearer. I missed home but I dreaded having to leave not only my friends, but the city itself. There is no doubt in my mind that I will return to London, possibly even live there after I graduate.

Historical Access: I had the incredible experience of taking an extra one credit directed study. I was given special access to the Manuscript Rooms at the British Library. I was able to hold books in my hands that were written hundreds of years ago.

Tips for Future Students: Regardless of where you want to study abroad - although I loved the UW in London program and think everyone would too - just do it. Pick a place, get your application in, and get ready for the experience of a lifetime.

“I learned not only about different countries, cultures, and people, but a lot about myself.”