



A WORD FROM THE DEAN

As Interim Dean of LCWA, I would like to extend to you a special invitation to add our [website](#) to your favorites. The school's website is a gateway to numerous events of international scope, most of them free and open to the public. This issue of "LCWA Compass" provides only a small selection of the worldwide buffet that the school regularly serves. Please, help yourself and enjoy! We like seeing our friends and making new ones.

I also want to say thank you for your continued support. Because of your generosity, this year LCWA provided over \$80,000 in additional scholarships to our students for study abroad and international internships. While the study of languages and cultures is declining nationally, LCWA counters this trend by motivating our students to understand the global impact that their studies allows them to have – languages, cultures, and world affairs!

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Ten members of the International Scholars Class of 2020 completed their Mayaway to China this summer. These students took a course at Suzhou University on traditional Chinese music and modern Chinese national identity.

They learned about the Communist Party's suppression of traditional musicians in the 1950s and about the Party's turn toward Confucianism in the 1980s, which ultimately restored traditional music and musicians as markers of Chinese cultural greatness.

The students saw a Chinese opera and live performances by graduate students and faculty performing with traditional instruments. They also took high speed trains to Shanghai and Beijing where they explored the Bund, the Forbidden City, and the Great Wall. In her thank you letter to the Samuel Freeman Trust, one student wrote, "This experience has opened my mind and change my outlook on the world."

[Rear more here.](#)



Students in class at Suzhou U.

WORLD AFFAIRS COLLOQUIUM

The LCWA World Affairs Colloquium series will take place on November 30, 2017. The event will occur in the Wells Fargo Auditorium starting at 4:00 p.m. This year's series will feature guest speaker Dr. William J. Parker (at right). [Learn more here.](#)



NUOVO CINEMA ITALIANO!



The Nuovo Cinema Italiano Film Festival at the College of Charleston will soon be celebrating its 11th edition. This year's dates have been confirmed for November 2-5, 2017. You won't want to miss this, so mark your calendar and start getting ready for some intercultural fun and excitement at a truly inspiring event! [Find out more here.](#)

FRENCH AND SPANISH HOUSES MERGE



LCWA celebrated the merging of the French House and Spanish House into the Franco-Hispano House along with the opening of the LCWA Multicultural House this semester. [Learn more about both of these houses on the LCWA website!](#)



FACULTY IN THE NEWS

Dr. Scott Harris is the new Director of the Archeology Program. Harris received a Ph.D. in geology from the University of Delaware and is a specialist in paleo-landscape evolution, primarily within coastal plain and continental shelf environments. His recent research has included sites off the Southeast coast of the US and Greece. [Learn more about Harris here.](#)



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UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER:
Majors-Minors Fair – 10/4

NOVEMBER:
Nuovo Cinema Italiano – 11/2-5

Thanksgiving Break – 11/22-26

World Affairs Colloquium – 11/30

DECEMBER:
Reading Day – 12/5

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