WAYS COMPARATIVE AMERICAN STUDIES MAJORS RISE

RESEARCH:
• Art and Community Formation: A Case Study in West Oakland, Calif.
• Exploring the Role of Educational Environments in the Adjustment of Asian Immigrants and Refugees to NE Ohio
• Adaptation to Migration: The Great Migration and its Impact on Chicago Politics from 1900-1920
• Aloha, Marriage Equality: Unsettling Gay Constructions of Paradise

INTERNSHIPS:
• Strategic Actions for a Just Economy, Los Angeles: supporting research on conditions in poor communities
• Storefront Academy, New York: coordinating events and conducting donor research
• Lorain County WISE: Women in Sustainable Employment and Enterprise, Oberlin: researching and analyzing data to help improve success rates for low-income single mothers
• The Obama White House, Washington, DC: helping coordinate oversight and implementation efforts related to the President’s Climate Action Plan
• ASIA, Inc. (Asian Services in Action) in Cleveland and other locations: immigrant services, after-school programs for immigrants

STUDY AWAY:
• Border Studies Program in Mexico and Tucson, Ariz.
• Social Change in Central America: Exploring Peace, Justice, and Community Engagement
• Council on International Educational Exchange in Buenos Aires and other countries
• Center for Global Education and Experience at Augsburg University
• Nation Building, Globalization, and Decolonizing the Mind: South Africa/Namibia

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING:
• Exploring Cleveland as part of the Cleveland Immersion Program
• Conducting oral histories with members of the Lorain Latinx community
• Conducting legal research for pending asylum cases for the Ohio Immigrant Worker Project
• Docenting and facilitating field trips for the Courage and Compassion exhibit on Japanese internment history

FIRST DESTINATIONS OF RECENT COMPARATIVE AMERICAN STUDIES MAJORS:
• Fellowships: Fulbright in Brazil, Turkey, Slovakia, Poland; Watson Fellowship
• Graduate Schools: master’s program in public policy analysis, NYU; MS in library and information science, Mass.; Master’s of Health Policy Management, Harvard School of Public Health; MD, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine; MFA, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
• Positions: Assistant dean of admissions, Hamilton College, N.Y.; research assistant, University of Michigan; experiential educators program, Israel; quest interpreter at Bronx Zoo, N.Y.; family and youth advocate for Casa de Esperanza, Minn.

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