Global Perspectives

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200+ BLS Students & Staff Travel with CCGU Support

Over 200 Boston Latin School students and staff members traveled to Europe, Asia and the Americas this school year with the support of the Clough Center for Global Understanding.

Students explored Eastern Europe, Italy, Spain, China, and Canada accompanied by BLS faculty & staff. In addition, teachers went to Spain and Nepal on faculty reconnaissance and planning trips.

For the 14th year, students from the Facing History and Ourselves class traveled to Eastern Europe as part of their study of the Holocaust and genocide. They traveled to Germany, Poland, and the Czech Republic with FHAO teacher Judi Freeman, Head Master Lynne Mooney Teta and other BLS staff members.

Students from the Italian program traveled to Italy with Italian instructors Silvana Myette and Adriana Buono, while Jessica Blackler and Carole Lapointe-Prospere of the French department led trips to France/Spain and Quebec.

Three BLS student groups visited China this spring, with Nancy Yang leading a group of 25 on a three city tour, Zach Smith taking eight students to an international science fair and Tom Kennelly coordinating a two-way home-stay exchange program between BLS and Experimental High School in Beijing.

The trips provided students with an opportunity to make deeper connections with the curriculum, other countries, their people and cultures and themselves.

15 Global Navigators Awarded

Fifteen Boston Latin School students will participate in Global Navigator summer internships thanks to an expanded partnership between Boston Latin School and CIEE.

The scholarships are made possible through the generous support of Ro Fallon BLS ’65 and Chuck Clough BLS ’60.

BLS is in its third year of the partnership with CIEE with previous programs providing students with the opportunity to participate in international service leadership experience.

This summer most of the students will participate in language immersion home-stays where they will take language classes, build leadership skills and develop a stronger appreciation for their hosts’ country and culture through the home-stay experience.

Japanese A-Bomb survivors

The history department and the Clough Center for Global Understanding hosted a delegation of atomic bomb survivors and nuclear abolition activists from Japan.

U.S. history students had the opportunity to listen and talk with a cohort of activists who addressed the issue of nuclear weapons and nuclear power.

The presentation began with a speech by a survivor of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima who had a gripping narrative about the day the bomb was dropped. Students were then able to ask questions and learn more about some of the work these activists are doing.

Students were most struck by the fact that this individual had survived such a traumatic and historic event and that they had the opportunity to meet and learn about the event from him.