



International Affairs Program

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IAFS Alumni Newsletter

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Have a Heart: Support IAFS Students Studying Abroad

Dear International Affairs Alumni,

This February, we're thrilled to continue our annual **Have a Heart campaign**, started by U.S. Ambassador and IAFS alumna **Mary Ann Casey**, in support of the **Global Grants Endowment Fund**. Thanks to the generosity of alumni and friends, we are able to provide IAFS students with scholarships of up to \$3,000 per term - or up to \$6,000 for Academic Year study abroad programs!

This year, we're proud to share that for **Spring 2025**, we awarded 16 **Global Grants scholarships** totaling **over \$36,000** - our largest group of recipients since the program's inception. These scholarships are breaking down financial barriers and allowing more students to engage in transformative international experiences.

With students actively applying for Summer, Fall, and Academic Year Education Abroad programs, your gift today can make an **immediate** difference.

Will you Have a Heart this February and help us make a meaningful impact? Together, we can empower CU Boulder International Affairs students to change the world.

About the Global Grants Fund

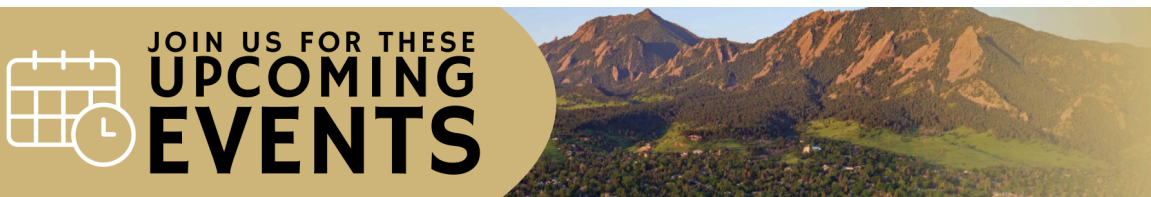
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Global Grants Student Highlight



Riley MacQueen, a double major in International Affairs and Political Science and IAFS Global Grant recipient, quickly immersed herself in the rich academic and cultural landscape of Paris during her study abroad experience. She is currently pursuing courses on Intercultural Communication, French Fashion, and Art History through CIEE: Semester in Paris and the Institut Catholique de Paris. Riley says that the experience has been a blend of learning, cultural immersion, and personal growth.

Read the IAFS article **Exploring Paris and Beyond: Learning, Fashion, and Culture** to learn more about her experiences abroad!



Posner Center Symposium **March 12-13, 2025**

Register now for the **Posner Center for International Development's** annual symposium. Connect with global thought leaders and innovators to explore this year's theme: *Innovation, Partnerships, and Aid Effectiveness*. Discover how technology, collaboration, and local solutions are transforming sustainable development.

TEDxCU **April 5, 2025**

Join TEDXCU as they delve into the intriguing world of anomalies and how outliers shape our reality. IAFS student and 2025 Student Voices Competition winner, **Rodrigo Salgado Vallarino**, will be speaking on what it means to be an immigrant and the impact that immigrants have on society.





Alumni Weekend **April 5-7, 2025**

Join us for Alumni Weekend at CU Boulder! Reconnect with friends, take a campus tour, and participate in other exclusive Forever Buff experiences. **Check out the schedule and register!**

*Class of 2020 - Reach out to the **Alumni Association** for your special 5 year reunion discount!*

Conference on World Affairs **April 7-10, 2025**

For over 75 years, the **Conference on World Affairs (CWA)** has united leaders and experts from diverse fields to ignite engaging discussions on today's most pressing issues. Discover the **2025 speakers** on the CWA website.



Have news to share?

Do you have stories to share or know of internships, jobs or events that may interest IAFS alumni or students? Email iafs@colorado.edu and let us know!

Check out our [Alumni Spotlight](#) and [Internship and Job Opportunities](#) pages for updates.

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