IAP Adventures

I got to travel to South Africa with my cousin Monica ’13. We got to feed elephants and go shark cage diving and even ride an ostrich! We were on a safari at Kruger National Park for a few days, before taking the garden route to Cape Town over the course of 4 days. In Cape Town, we got to go up table mountain, sail to Robben Island where a former inmate gave us a tour of the compound, and even made it to the Cape Point peninsula.

-Alex Rigobon ’16

Ann Alampi ’14 went skiing in the Alps.
I went to Spain with Tiffany Yeh ‘17! I participated in the IAP-Madrid program, which involved about 20 MIT students going to Spain for all of IAP, taking Spanish II, and living with host families. While we were based in Madrid, I also got to travel to Seville, Cordoba, and Granada. We got to eat delicious Spanish food, see a flamenco show, hike around the Sierra Nevada Mountains, visit a bunch of churches and palaces, and meet a bunch of awesome people!

- Caroline Walsh ‘17

Cordelia Tuan ’16 (left) prepared for and competed in the Miss Boston and Miss Cambridge pageant. She had a wonderful experience and was honored to win People’s Choice.

I worked at my first company! A startup in Somerville called EyeNetra; I was sort of a neuroscience consultant intern for them. They’re connected with the Camera Culture group at MIT Media Lab, and the experience was really great!

Also, I took the MLK Seminar and Design class, and worked on a final project with an awesome group (including Ashley Gilmore ‘14 and Ellie Fodor ‘14) to make a beautiful mural centered on the progression of civil and human rights across the world, in a street-art style.

- Sunanda Sharma ’14

Barbara Schloss ’15 went to Kennedy Space Center for eleven days to tour the facilities and learn about the projects going on there.
I participated in Global Teaching Labs in Barcelona, Spain during IAP. The experience was definitely one that I will remember for a very long time.

I taught various STEM subjects, including chemistry, math, and entrepreneurship, and some of the students are even coming to MIT over the summer to participate in RSI! The city itself was also so beautiful. I got to see the inspiring modernist and more traditionally gothic architecture, the beautiful mountains like Montserrat, and the relaxing beaches that border the city.

-Pam Cai ’16

Frozen Chapter

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IAP Fun Facts

• Chelsea Finn ’13 swam 20+ hours a week, volunteered at the Greater Boston Food Bank for MIT CityDays and did research.
• Erin Baille ’15 went to Camp Cody in Freedom, NH with Vinati Kaul ’15 as part of the GEL course Esd.052.
• Patience Stevens ’16 was a lecture assistant for the IAP “Intro to Python” class for students who have never coded before.
• Joanie Weaver ’14 was student teaching in Cambridge at CRLS, the public school in Cambridge.
• Jaclyn Belleville ’16 learned how to blacksmith.
• Ani Chillingrian ’17 did a tango class.
• Andrea Lopez ’16 took Italian and started a UROP at the Langer Lab.
• Madison Douglas ’16 practiced fencing and did research on landslides.
• Colleen Rock ’14 taught a class, and so many people called her professor.
• Hannah Barrett ’15 externed at Oliver Wyman in NYC.
• Yin Fu ’14 took a Wellesley German class and went to Berlin.
• Moriel Levy ’17 toured around DC and Philly, including the West Wing.
• Becky Bell ’17 hung out at home and went to Chicago to hang out with her friend who attends the University of Chicago.
• Jess Haskins ’14 went to Leipzig, Germany and Zurich, Switzerland to work on a field camp looking at the different properties of ice nuclei as cloud seeds.
• Kate Tatar ’16 did Winter School with the MIT Outing Club, going on tons of hikes every weekend in the White Mountains, and went ice climbing for the first time.

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Chi Connections

For Hera Day, sister volunteers went to three places including the Food Bank, where they made 5,234 meals possible by sorting 8,660 lbs of food; Rosie’s Kitchen, where they served food to the local community; and Boston Commons, where they cleaned up the park!
### Alumnae-Sister Connections!

- **Chelsea Finn ’14** ([cfinn@mit.edu](mailto:cfinn@mit.edu)) Would love any advice on choosing the best grad school (PhD in CS) for me and other post-graduate considerations.

- **Patience Stevens ’16** ([ps910@mit.edu](mailto:ps910@mit.edu)) If there are any alums who will be living in or traveling to Chile this summer, I’d love to meet up with them! I will be doing research in Santiago for about two and a half months.

- **Joanie Weaver ’14** ([jcweaver@mit.edu](mailto:jcweaver@mit.edu)) Looking for international friends. I’m planning to be in Europe next year doing a year long internship before I go to grad school so let me know if you’re over there.

- **Jacyln Belleville ’16** ([jaclynb@mit.edu](mailto:jaclynb@mit.edu)) Looking for alum who has lived in/is living in Japan. I’ll be interning there over the summer and I would love advice on things to do.

- **Hannah Barrett ’15** ([hbarrett@mit.edu](mailto:hbarrett@mit.edu)) Looking to connect with alums in the San Francisco area this summer. Additionally, summer housing advice would be much appreciated!

- **Sunanda Sharma ’14** ([ssharma@mit.edu](mailto:ssharma@mit.edu)) Might do MISTI France, Germany, or Switzerland – would love to meet up with alums there!

- **Preeti Singhai ’15** ([preeti15@mit.edu](mailto:preeti15@mit.edu)) Looking for a health care consulting internship this summer!