First-Hand Medical Experience and Second-Language Practice

When Owen arrived at Juniata, he’d already taken four years of Spanish in high school, and wanted to continue studying the language and culture. He found the ultimate answer with an internship in Orizaba, Veracruz, Mexico. He interned at the Mexican Red Cross, and later in a second internship at Sanatorio Rebeca, where he watched from arm’s length as doctors performed a C-section to deliver twins.
Service Translates to Experience

With a humanitarian heart and a head for healthcare, Brody interned at a therapy center here for seven weeks through an award-winning Juniata immersion program. He helped conduct hearing and vision exams and served as a translator for doctors. Brody earned a Benjamin A. Gilman Scholarship to help cover the journey. He’s also studied in Spain, where he’ll return this spring for an internship in Madrid.

Drawn to a Fresh Environment

An internship with the Army Corps of Engineers near Juniata led Calli to a more far-off endeavor in Ecuador, where she studied culturally sensitive solutions to environmental problems. Calli kept a sketchbook to capture memories from each day. “My sketches bridged the language barrier with my host siblings—they often sketched with me or asked to add to my book.”
Getting in Touch With His Roots

Akira had no plans to study abroad when he was looking at colleges. Seeing how Juniata students’ lives were enriched through travel changed his mind. A native of Japan, Akira has spent most of his life in the United States. Living and learning in Sapporo for a semester helped him reconnect with his Japanese roots.

A Published Researcher Before Grad School

At the University of Otago in New Zealand, Shanna's independent geology research project led to a published paper in a New Zealand scientific journal. The international experience also made her grad school applications stronger—as well her eventual job interviews. Shanna kept a blog about her experience.
A Close Encounter With Chimpanzees
During her trip, Carys was part of an adventurous chimpanzee hike in Nyungwe Forest. "We left our lodge at 4:30 a.m., drove into the forest, and hiked for two and a half hours until we finally found them. It was one of the most breathtaking moments of my life. There we were in the middle of this ancient forest, staring at our closest relatives, who were calmly lounging in a tree, completely unbothered by our presence." Carys is likely to visit her relatives again as her goal is to work in conservation in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Cure for the Travel-Bug Bite? Passport.
Amber traveled more than once during her time at Juniata, from to Spain to Japan to the Republic of Gambia in West Africa, where she toured nongovernmental agencies and learned about a political system in which individual citizens have limited freedom of speech. "Being able to learn from others' cultures was so valuable," Amber says.