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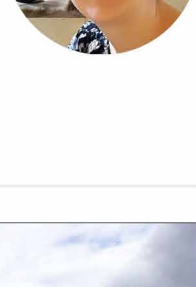
News from Stockholm

As you may have heard, we have officially canceled the Fall 2020 semester at The Swedish Program due to COVID-19. We are very saddened by this situation, and we remain committed to our mission of promoting global citizenship. We are incredibly grateful for our alumni community and hope that you and all of your families are well. During these painful times in the US and around the world, the importance of connection across cultures has never been more clear. We are very much looking forward to welcoming students back to Stockholm again for the Spring 2021 semester.

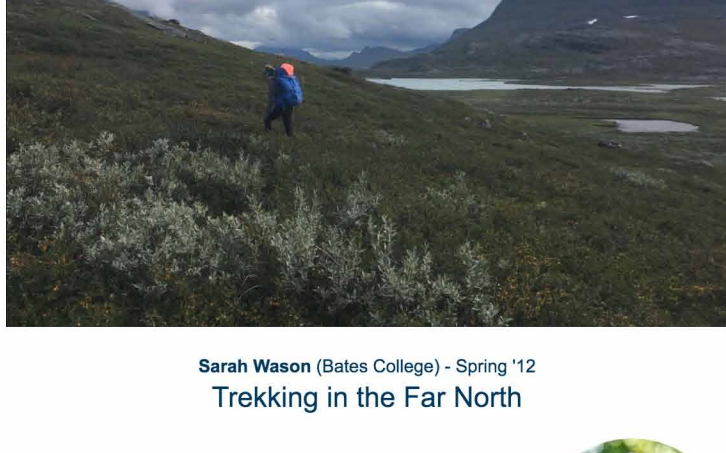


Jennifer (Novack) Alanko (Williams College) - Spring '94 Full Circle with The Swedish Program

I was on the way to the dining hall as a student at Williams College in the fall of 1993 when I saw a beautiful picture of Stockholm on a poster advertising The Swedish Program. Little could I have imagined how significantly that poster and my subsequent decision to attend The Swedish Program would change my life or that I would one day return to the Program as a member of the teaching faculty.

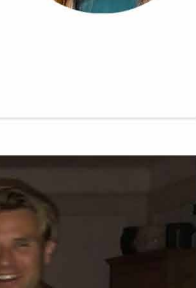


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Sarah Wason (Bates College) - Spring '12 Trekking in the Far North

This time last summer I was loading up my backpack with 4 days worth of gear and going on short training hikes here in Vermont. It seemed unnecessarily grueling to hike straight up a mountain with way more gear than I needed, but each time I lifted my 35lb pack and swung it onto my back I knew I was getting closer to going back to Sweden.

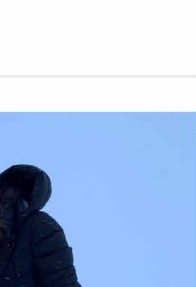


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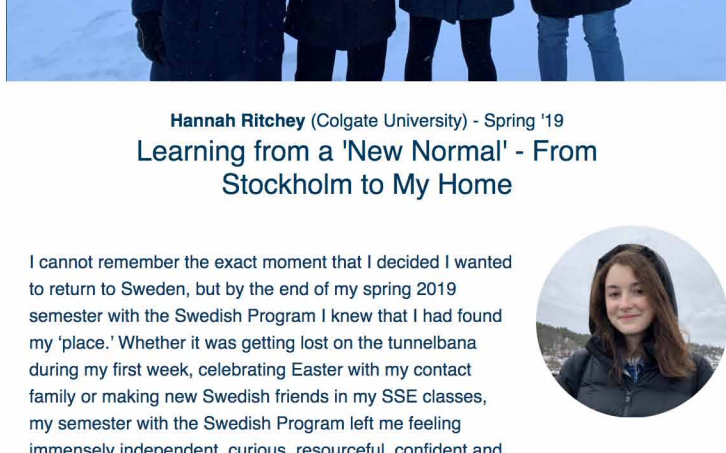


Andrew Shein (University of Pennsylvania) - Spring '13 From Stockholm to Spior

I was a wide-eyed student from Philly who had never been to Scandinavia — my closest references to Sweden were Spotify, IKEA, and Abba. However, it was only one week after our Swedish Program welcome ceremony that I found myself on Aspö, a tiny island off of the Stockholm Archipelago. I was spending the weekend with the Ekmans, my multi-generational Swedish host family, at their charming Swedish country home.

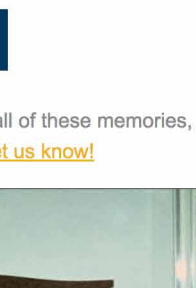


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Hannah Ritchey (Colgate University) - Spring '19 Learning from a 'New Normal' - From Stockholm to My Home

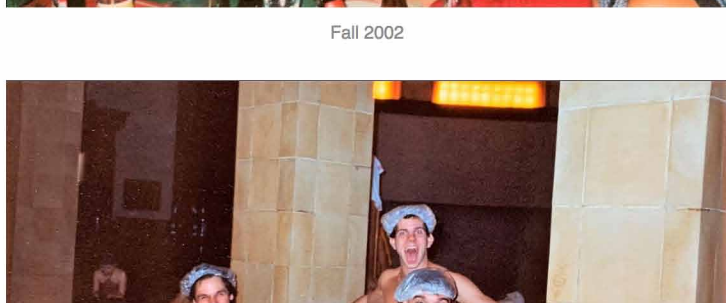
I cannot remember the exact moment that I decided I wanted to return to Sweden, but by the end of my spring 2019 semester with the Swedish Program I knew that I had found my 'place.' Whether it was getting lost on the tunnelbana during my first week, celebrating Easter with my contact family or making new Swedish friends in my SSE classes, my semester with the Swedish Program left me feeling immensely independent, curious, resourceful, confident and, most importantly, at home.



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PHOTOS FROM OUR ARCHIVE

More photos from our archives. We love looking back at all of these memories, but we need your help! Recognize anyone? [Let us know!](#)



Fall 2002



Program trip to Budapest - Széchenyi Baths, Fall 1989



Finnhamn - Spring 1990



Program trip to Drottningholm - Fall 1992

