University slates study abroad fair

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Alfred University will host its second annual Study Abroad Fair on Tuesday, Jan. 31, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in the Knight Club, Powell Campus Center."The purpose of the fair is to acquaint University students (and faculty members) with the vast variety of programs and opportunities available to them for studying abroad," said Patricia Mebius, Office of International Programs. "Our aim is to make the fair fun and informative for all," she added. To that end, representatives from the following study abroad organizations are scheduled to be on campus: AIFS (American Institute for Foreign Study); Arcadia Center for Education Abroad; AustraLearn; Brethren Colleges Abroad; Butler University Institute for Study Abroad (IFSA); Central College Abroad; CEA (Cultural Experiences Abroad); CIEE International Study Programs; DIS (Denmark's International Study Program) East Anglia; University/InStep; Junior Year in Munich by Wayne State University; New York University Study Abroad; SACI (Studio Art Centers International); SFS (School for Field Studies); SIT (School for International Training) Study Abroad; Syracuse University Abroad; University of Rochester Center for Study Abroad. Representatives come with free information, brochures, handouts, etc. and are ready and willing to answer questions. "I am certain that this second annual fair will be as successful as the first one" when the University had 300 participants, said Petra Visscher, director of international programs. This year, for the first time, the University has coordinated the Study Abroad Fair with neighboring Alfred State College so that representatives can visit both campuses on the same day and meet with an even greater number of students, she said. For more information, contact Mebius; Visscher; Susan Wellington, office secretary; or Eka Gabelia, intern, at (607) 871-2269 or (607) 871-2094, or by e-mail at studyabroad@alfred.edu.