## INTERSECTION:

The point where two paths meet, a point of decision.



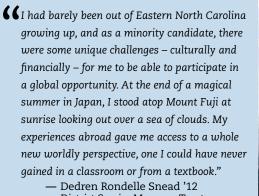
- **C** The two-and-a-half months I spent in Tanzania for my internship were invaluable. While in Tanzania, I was able to apply my master of public health coursework in research methods and empowerment education to my work. I also learned how to deal with the challenges of working in the field. These experiences became the foundation for all of the work I've done since graduation."
  - Michele Lanham, '07 M.P.H. Research Associate, FHI 360

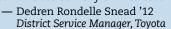
### **GLOBAL EXPERIENCE**

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- **《 《** More funding for programs that allow students to design their own research projects would be beneficial to students like me who have a hard time finding a formal study abroad program that matches their interests." - History major '15
- **66** Reflecting on my past experiences, finances have been a huge barrier for opportunities not just globally. Coming from a single, low income family, putting food in the refrigerator and paying bills often becomes an issue. Traveling abroad is so expensive but I don't want it to stop me from seeing — Biostatistics major '18
- **66** I have never traveled outside the country because it is so expensive and I have worked every summer since I was 16 just to be able to have money for myself. UNC can remove these barriers by having specific programs solely focused on allowing students with financial need and those who have never left the country the opportunity to learn or volunteer in a new country." — Psychology major '18









- My global experience at UNC was extremely important to my ability to secure employment Both the global studies curriculum and the opportunity to study abroad provided me with language skills, regional knowledge, and cultural sensitivity that made me a competitive candidate for the teaching assistant program in France."
  - Jeremy Klopfer '14 Assistant de langue anglais, TAPIF

but the Center for Global Initiatives has a map:

### GLOBALforALL

With our 37 campus partners, the Center is using data to create high-impact programs that bring global opportunities within reach of Carolina students from diverse backgrounds, disciplines and perspectives. These career-enhancing, life-changing opportunities extend the classroom, helping students put theory to action in our community, state and world.

#### STARTING SOMEWHERE

The Passport to GO! Fellowship puts passports in the hands of new students with financial need. The Center mentors these students throughout the year and helps them identify, apply to, fund and implement global opportunities that fit their academic plan and further their career goals.

#### PREPARING to DEPART

Leaving the country for the first time can be overwhelming. GO! Global Orientation prepares students for culturally-appropriate, ethical and safe engagement abroad. Top UNC faculty from a multitude of disciplines provide rich workshops and seminars to students across the University.

#### **LANDING** the **JOB**

With Foreign Language & Area Studies Fellowships, UNC students become the next global leaders in business, education and government. This U.S. Department of Education funded program allows students to study critical foreign languages, like Arabic or Russian, to advanced levels.

### CAROLINA STUDENTS NEED YOU TO MAKE GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES ACCESSIBLE.

Private gifts allow students to get their first passport, prepare for global engagement or complete an international internship, research project or study abroad program.

#### PUTTING THEORY TO PRACTICE

Shannon Smith '14 is a single mother, a first-generation college student and now an international traveler. After learning from her professor and mentor about an apprenticeship education model thriving in Switzerland, she wanted to see it in practice. With an award supported by private gifts, Shannon was able to get her first passport, leave the U.S. for the first time and conduct a research project on a topic she cares deeply about.



### **INCREASING EMPLOYABILITY**



After Ryan Boivin '15 finished his tour with the U.S. Air Force, he came to Carolina to learn a new way to serve our country and the world: creating sustainable communities. Last summer, Ryan wanted to put into practice what he has learned during his master in city and regional planning coursework. He was selected for a prestigious internship in Auckland, New Zealand. Because of private gifts to the Chancellor's Global Education Fund, the Center for Global Initiatives was able to offer him an International Internship Award to make the internship a reality.

"Going abroad changed mine and my daughter's life. I am forever grateful."

— Shannon Smith '14

I'll draw on this experience often as I complete my graduate studies and throughout my career."

— Ryan Boivin '15 M.C.R.P.

### Do you remember when you first traveled abroad?

Do you remember your excitement, anticipation and how the experience fundamentally shaped how you saw the world?

Wherever you are in the world or your career, a gift of any amount can put Carolina students on the path to success. Consider giving \$135, the cost to apply for a passport to help students, like Shannon, take the first step to gaining life-changing, career-enhancing, global opportunities.

# GIFT WITH THE McMILLAN MATCH

Peter McMillan '81 has promised to match gifts up to \$25,000.

First time and increased gift made by June 30, 2015 are eligible

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ach year, the University's chancellor selects an image from among those submitted to the Carolina Global Photography Competition. This year, Chancellor Carol Folt selected *The Trek* by sophomore Vanessa Dane '18.

"Worldwide, women travel great distances to provide for their families and communities," said the Chancellor. "I never cease to be amazed by their work and commitment to taking care of one another."



# PHOTOGRAPHY

On display February – June 2015
FEDEX GLOBAL EDUCATION CENTER | THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA At CHAPEL HILL

he photos featured throughout this calendar were submitted to this amateur competition that showcases Carolina's global activity, educational opportunities, research and service work. The competition is sponsored by the **Center for Global Initiatives**, **Global Relations**, **International** Student and Scholar Services and the Study Abroad Office.

For more information about the competition and the exhibit, visit **unc.edu/photocontest**.

We offer a special thanks to **The Carolina Inn**, **Carolina Performing Arts** and **City Kitchen** for donating prizes for the winners.





### FIRST PLACE

### MODERNITY Mongolia

Eli Hornstein '14

I traveled to Mongolia to study the language and observe U.N. World Environment Day. In the middle of the day most of the family was out with the livestock when I stopped by this yurt. With a few modern tools, Grandmother guards the largest horse herd without moving from this point. That evening she used her binoculars to find a foal that had been attacked by a wolf, charged a cell phone from her solar panel and used it to call her family in to treat the injured animal. Modern-day environmental problems make nomadic herding harder and harder, but the innovations that modernity also brings can help fight back – it's a question of how quickly we can strike the right balance."

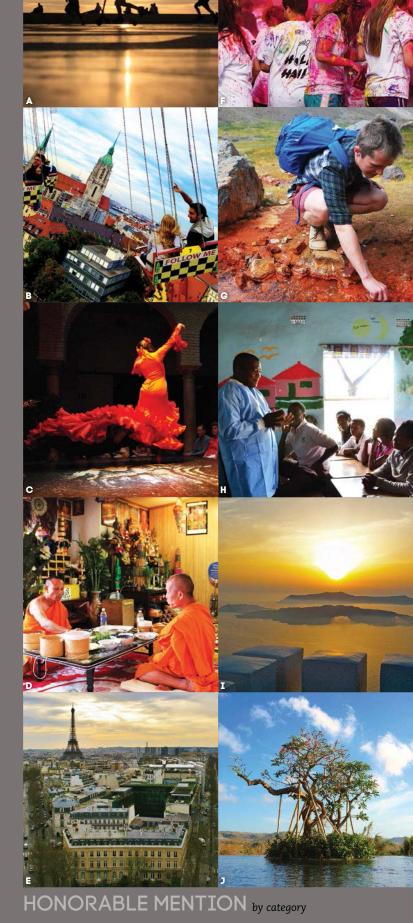
### SECOND PLACE

O POVO DA IPANEMA Brazil Maximillian Seunik '15

#### THIRD PLACE tie

**BOYS WILL BE BOYS** Myanmar Ian Lye '07

MT. FUJI Japan Lauren Campbell '11



ouettes of the Future Morocco

- B Munich From a Bird's-Eye View Ge Nicole Leonard '15
- Fuego Spain Kathleen Rice '18

GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE IN THE U.S.

Monks of Morganton United States
Kathryn Clune '15

NEW TAKE ON AN OLD LANDMARK

F Holi Moli United States Kearney Ferguson '15

Expanding the Classroom Chile
Sarah MacLean '15

H Dental Care Time Malawi Thatsanee Saladyanant '15 Ph.D.

NATURE'S BEAUTY



**MAGGIE LATTA** '15 Anthropology

**'**I was eight when my dad, a doctor, called from Haiti to tell us he was going to bring home a six-year-old girl in urgent need of open heart surgery. Meeting her was when since then, I've been continually reminded I

I first knew the world was much bigger and much more complicated than I realized, and have so much to learn."



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Tar Heel Josh Weinstein had been training Muay
Thai in a local gym, and after four months
he participated in a real match. Although he
was initially slated to fight another foreign
novice, he was shocked to learn he would
face an experienced Thai fighter. With fierce
determination, he won the match.



SPENCER NELSON '15 Environmental Sciences

Studying abroad provided me with the opportunity to learn about and tackle environmental problems in Asia, a perfect intersection of my interests."

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A small reflecting pool holds a flowering tree cultivated by local Hindus. The carefully placed wooden supports buttress the plant and contribute to a sense of peaceful, yet artificial, nature.



MAXIMILLIAN SEUNIK '15 Health Policy and Management

Was 16 years old. I traveled to Singida,
Tanzania, a dusty, sand-swept city located
in the country's interior. My experience
in Tanzania shattered my paradigm and
introduced me to the surprises, joys and
challenges of traveling with a purpose
beyond tourism. It informed my current
academic trajectory and introduced me to
people who remain in my life to this day."

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In the Tibetan Plateau, the Larung Gar Five Sciences Buddhist Academy is the largest Buddhist institution in the world with population estimates as high as 40,000. The entire Academy is fully contained in a single valley, surrounded by vast emptiness.

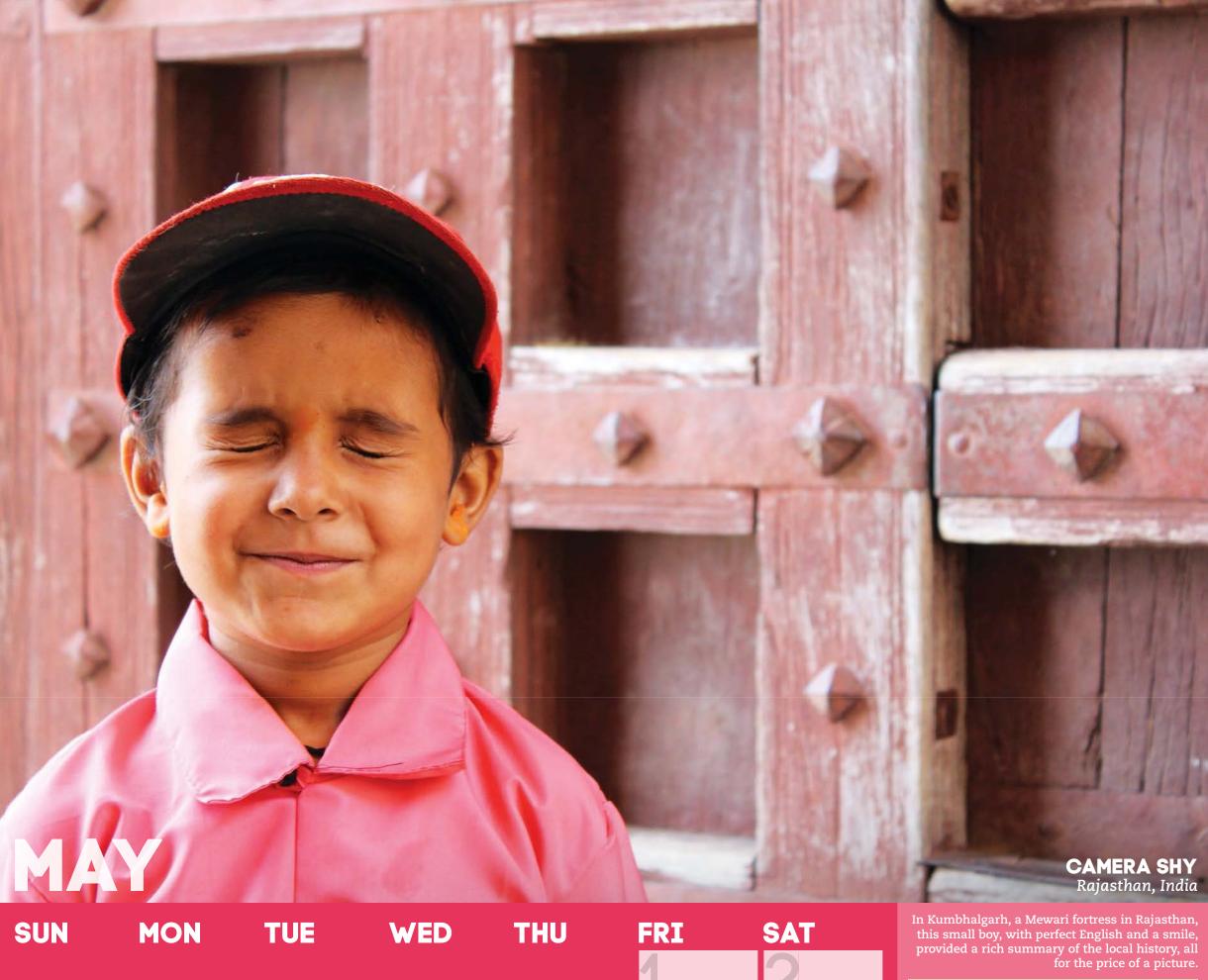


### **DANIEL PIGEON** '15 Philosophy

I left the U.S. for the first time in May 2012, after deferring enrollment at UNC for a year to travel and to teach English in Ningbo, China. Having sold all of my personal belongings, save a backpack full of clothes, I set out to see the world. Fifteen months and 18 countries later, I made it back to the U.S. a remarkably different human being."

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ALEXANDER CLAYTON '17
Peace, War & Defense and Public Policy

My first time on a plane was when I was two weeks old. I was born in Scotland but spent the first eight years of my life in Mombasa, Kenya. Travel has been a big part of my life and has given me so, so much."

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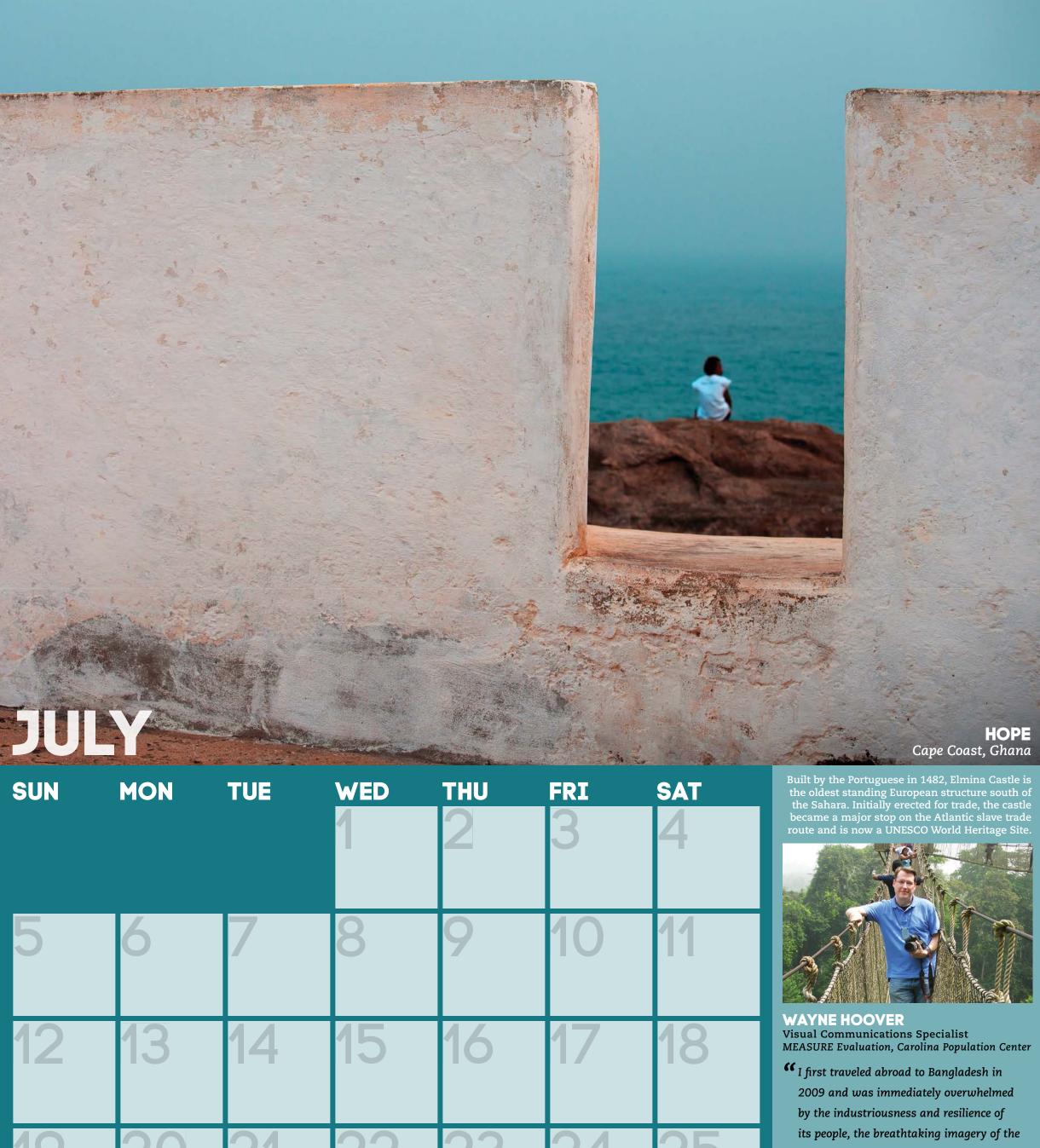
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**SARAH MACLEAN '15 Global Studies** 

 $oldsymbol{\ell\ell}$  At the age of 18, I handed the flight attendant the ticket I had purchased with my babysitting money and boarded the plane to Peru for my first solo flight. For three weeks, I volunteered as a tutor, cook and mentor at an orphanage near Lima. My parents and advisors were scared to send me to another hemisphere for my internship at the end of high school, but I was up for the challenge. The most meaningful part of my experience was meeting Maribel, a young girl who was a few years older than the others, but far younger mentally because of undiagnosed cognitive development issues. This impacted how I will structure my future career in medicine and has made me an advocate for adequate special education."



region and intoxicating aromas found in its local markets. My fondest, most singular memory will always be of the little girl who greeted me as I arrived in downtown Dhaka. Without a word she approached, gently took my hand and walked alongside as we passed bazaars, street vendors and a honking tributary formed from the city's 400,000 rickshaws. Nearing an intersection I stopped to marvel at the tightly woven webs of power lines festooned high atop Dhaka's rooftops. When I looked down she was gone, lost to the din and perpetual motion of the world's tenth most

populous megacity."

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**ABBIE LARGESS '18 Global Studies** 

**66** My first real experience traveling abroad was to Honduras during the summer of 2013. A handful of classmates and I worked as research assistants for scientists from all over the globe. Half the trip was spent on the coast and the other half high up in the rain forest. I held a tarantula in my bare hand, snorkeled over a newly discovered, untouched reef and worked side-by-side with scientists helping them in their quest to protect biodiversity hot spots from environmental degradation."



Self-proclaimed top spinning extraordinaire, Simpson Wong (aka Uncle Wong), spins a Malaysian "gasing" on the palm of his hand. This shop owner invites people of all ages and origins into his "academy" to learn the intricacies of these cord-activated wooden spinning tops.



MITCHELL SAYASENE '16 Chinese and Global Studies

**66** On my first real global experience I visited Malaysia, where most of my Mother's family lives. It was the first time in my life I was exposed to a culture vastly different from my own. From the notorious stench of the durian fruit to the immense Petronas Towers, traveling internationally for the first time inspired a thirst for travel that has carried forward to this day. The language barrier between my extended family and me served as motivation for my current studies in Chinese. Coming into college, the opportunity to study abroad was one of its biggest attractions; I spent this past summer studying Chinese in Beijing and will be spending the majority of next year in China."





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AMANDA BELLOWS '16 Ph.D. History

**66** I first traveled to Russia with my mother shortly after graduating from college in 2008. Although I studied Russian history as an undergraduate, I was preparing to begin a career in finance. My journey to Russia changed everything. We traveled by boat for two weeks on winding rivers between St. Petersburg and Moscow, visiting medieval towns, wooden churches and an isolated monastery in an archipelago. We sampled traditional dishes, listened to achingly beautiful music and learned about contemporary Russian life from local citizens. Just two years later, I began my doctorate in Russian and American history at UNC where I learned to speak Russian so I could conduct in-country research."

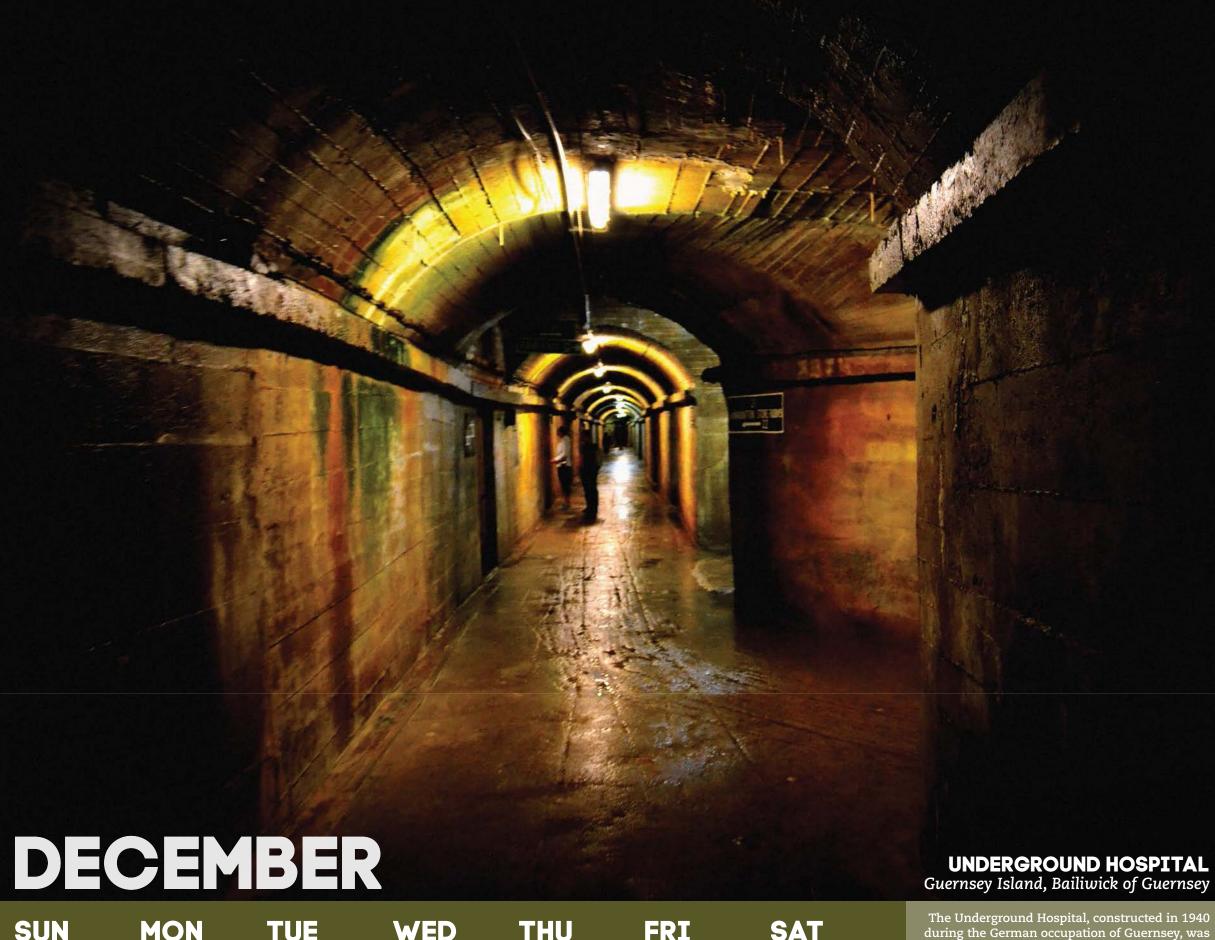


This elephant lives in a religious sanctuary with 12 others. All roam free around a field filled with bananas and other food donated by the community. These elephants lived a life full of parades and ceremonies before retiring.



JERROLD FERNANDES '17 Economics

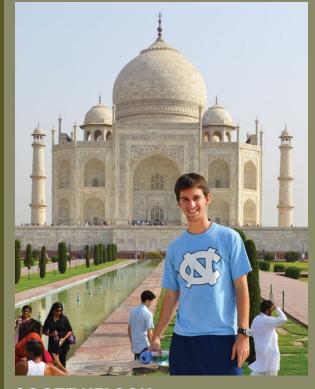
**C** Although I was born in India, I moved to the U.S. when I was very young. I went back to visit after ten years. Returning to India changed my life. Never before had I felt so connected with my culture. My trip also led me to my future career. While I was there, I realized the magnitude of problems developing nations face. With my degree from Carolina, I hope to help my home country tackle problems. It is vital for students to study abroad or to travel abroad. Being immersed in a different culture has taught me to view the world through a completely different perspective."



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The Underground Hospital, constructed in 1940 during the German occupation of Guernsey, was vital to the Nazi war machine. German soldiers from the front lines were transported here to be treated, sheltered from the war above. Today it serves as a tourist destination, a labyrinth of dark and damp tunnels that echo visitors' steps.



SCOTT NELSON '15
History

I first went abroad by myself in the summer of 2013. Before my trip, one experienced traveler remarked to me that India was the place most unlike the U.S. that they had ever been to. I think that's exactly why I decided to go. I wanted to be challenged, to be ripped out of my comfort zone. India was definitely the right choice. The world's largest democracy presents many obstacles to the pampered Western traveler.

Yet, once one accepts these daily challenges as facts of Indian life, the country's diverse culture is illuminated."

