What did you learn or gain from your time abroad?
I gained an appreciation for another culture. Growing up, I have always seen other places in the news or when briefly visited during vacations, but when you live there, that is when you understand the unique differences between different populations. For instance, in France where I studied, people were not as explicit in conversation and much more was implied than actually spoken. This, at first, created a cognitive dissonance, but ultimately allowed me to learn and grow in ways I didn’t know existed.

What advice do you have for CBS students looking to study abroad?
I would start looking NOW! CBS students have rigid schedules and to make sure they can have the opportunity to study abroad, they must start their search now and meet with their advisor and the Learning Abroad Office.

What was the most interesting food you tried?
It was called a taco and it most definitely was not the crunchy shelled delicacy we associate with the name in the states. It was a rectangle- flattened burrito with French fries and different meats and sauces stuffed inside.

Why should CBS students go abroad?
CBS students should go abroad for a variety of reasons such as learning a new languages, understanding different cultural and belief systems, seeing new biomes and meeting extraordinary people and lifelong friends.

Student Scoop
Major: Genetics, Cell Biology and Development

Five words he’d use to describe his study abroad experience: “Crazy awesome culture, chocolate and cheese.”