What did you learn or gain from your time abroad?
I was able to immerse myself in a culture other than my own. At first it was nerve racking but it helped me realize that sometimes the best things to learn are not out of a textbook.

What was your most memorable experience?
My most memorable experience while I was abroad was being able to meet The Pope. We had gone to tour the Vatican City that morning and had climbed to the top and explored the Sistine Chapel. Just as we were about to leave, we somehow obtained tickets to mass later that night. The rest of the day passed and we soon found our way back to mass with The Pope! It was truly a blessing.

What advice do you have for CBS students looking to study abroad?
If there is a program that catches your attention but the thought of being away from your “norm” scares you, take that leap of faith. The experience you gain from studying abroad will trump any amount of fear you may be feeling.

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