What did you learn or gain from your time abroad?
We studied the European migrant crisis and worked to understand the situation through political, humanitarian, and historical perspectives. It was eye-opening to hear the incredible stories of local refugees and the opposing narratives of the German citizens who welcome the refugees with open arms and those who are not happy about the growing number of refugees making Germany their home. Through this seminar, I gained a wider global perspective, confidence in my ability to navigate new situations, and many lasting friendships.

Why should CBS students go abroad?
In CBS, our schedules get pretty packed with required classes and most of these classes revolve around science. It’s important to challenge how we think and find new perspective, and studying abroad is a perfect way to accomplish both. I chose to participate in a seminar abroad about a topic totally unrelated to my degree in biochemistry, and I loved getting to stretch my brain and think about situations in a totally different way than I did in my classes.

Student Scoop

Major: Biochemistry
Program: Migration to Integration: The Changing Face of Germany
Most memorable experience: New Year’s Eve in Berlin. It was incredible to experience the celebration and fireworks.