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# From Gettysburg to Townsville, Australia and Back

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## Description

I studied abroad in Townsville, AU in the Fall 2014 and had the semester of my life. I am biology major, who has always wanted to pursue a career with animals and I got to run hands on experiments at James Cook University. I collected research on wild rock wallabies, I got Open Water Padi Dive certified and dove throughout Australia and Bali, Indonesia. I got up close with wild sharks, eels, jellyfish, and a variety of tropical fish. I joined the co-ed soccer and disc team. Most importantly, I became friends with amazing people from all over the world.

#### Location

Science Center, 2nd Floor Lobby

### **Disciplines**

Australian Studies | International and Area Studies | Leadership Studies | Liberal Studies



# My GLGC Experience

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Mentorship: As a member of GLGC and an appreciative alumni of JCU Townsville, I have discussed with fellow peers how going abroad can be such an eyeopening and valuable experience. and seeing a diversity of life has I explained how it is very possible to go abroad, even with a demanding major and minimal experience traveling out of the U.S.

**Activism:** I have always had a passion for volunteering at Gettysburg, but since joining GLGC, I have dedicated more time into giving back. Going abroad made me want to be an active volunteer in programs like Big Brothers, Big Sister, the service fraternity APO, and at SPCA.

Scholarship: I have used the information I learned from my courses abroad and scuba diving adventures in AU and Indonesia in both my microbiology course and capstone. In both of these classes, I have had to work in lab and write my capstone project about organisms that I had the opportunity of experiencing in person.





