Professor Jeffrey Cornelius-White will lead a Short Term Study Away Program to Buenos Aires, Argentina in July 2014 with co-instructor Michelle Ciesielski (http://international.missouristate.edu/assets/studyaway/stfl_argentina_ids_final_flyer_2014.pdf). The topic will be Finding Yourself in Diversity: Self-Actualization, Interpersonal Skills, and Cultural Competence. The course is interdisciplinary, aiming to help students explore self and others in the context of diversity. A central feature of the course will be participation in the international conference entitled, Beyond Frontiers: Experiencing Diversity (http://www.pce2014.com.ar/en). Participants will interact with people from dozens of countries around many different types and ideas of diversity. Students will aim to identify and pursue personal goals, increase emotional intelligence, and open their worlds to others’ perspectives. The course may count as an undergrad IDS 397 or graduate COU 700.

Last year Professor Cornelius-White led a successful study away to Brazil where all participants rated the experience as “Exceptional,” except one who rated it “Good.” Students made international contacts and had unique learning experiences, such as staying with a shaman in a remote beach location overnight. The Study Away Brazil program was the subject of multiple news stories or publications, including from the News-Leader, http://www.news-leader.com/article/20130909/NEWS04/309090007.

There are many resources to seek financial aid, scholarships and to apply at http://international.missouristate.edu/studyaway/67130.htm and http://international.missouristate.edu/studyaway/117196.htm. Additionally, a student’s other financial aid is typically applicable for study away tuition. Interested students may contact jcornelius-white@missouristate.edu or Michele911@live.missouristate.edu.