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Greetings from the President

Thanks to the many colleges that submitted articles for this issue of International News. It's remarkable to see that despite the widespread budget and program cuts, CCID member colleges continue to provide innovative and transformational experiences to their students and communities. I applaud your commitment to our collective mission of providing local access to global opportunities, particularly those that develop competencies for the 21st century global workforce.



Some of the exciting news from CCID offices since our last issue includes three new hires: Hans Olson, Media & Web Designer; Tom Gittins, Washington D.C. Representative; and Terri Burchell, Director of Advancement. As you can see from their titles, they were all brought on board to support the goal of increasing the visibility of CCID members. If you haven't

met them already, be sure to do so at the Annual Conference. We've also opened an office at Wuxi Institute of Technology, in Wuxi, China and added a new board member college, Box Hill Institute, in Australia. Lots of great people with big ideas, so fasten your seatbelt for one exciting year!

If there is one thing I'd like to boast about, it's the launch of CCID's System of Comprehensive Internationalization (SCI). So many of you contributed to the development of the Framework for Comprehensive Internationalization over the past 18 months, which is now available on our website. Developed by community colleges for community colleges, SCI is going to set the standard for accountability, improvement, and recognition for internationalization at our institutions worldwide. We hope you choose to partake.

I of course want to acknowledge Lone Star College System for taking on the role of publisher of this newsletter. Thank you, Dr. Carpenter, Nithy, and the entire marketing team for your continued commitment to CCID.

Please enjoy this issue and feel free to forward to friends all over the world. These stories are too good to keep to ourselves!

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left: Craven CC group at Machu Picchu

above: Craven CC group in Peru

Craven Journeys to the Center of the Earth

by Dr. Cynthia Bellacero

While not exactly like the 1864 classic novel by Jules Verne, Craven Community College students, faculty, staff, and local community members will experience the center of the world through the college's study abroad program.

On the agenda for the 2012-2013 academic year is an epic adventure that leads participants to Ecuador, namesake of the Equator, which runs through the South American country just north of its capital, Quito. Craven previously collaborated with Academia Latinoamericana de Español to create an experiential learning program where participants discovered the culture, history, and language of Peru in May of 2012.

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The college will again partner with the Academia in May of 2013 when study abroad participants will embark on a two week cultural and ecological exploration of Ecuador. While in Ecuador, participants will travel to Quito, Otavalo, Cotopaxi, and the Cloud Forest. They will visit the middle of the world to learn about world geography, and also travel to Cotopaxi National Park and the Cloud Forest to experience the rich ecological diversity within the region. Other highlights of the trip include a firsthand look at the economy of indigenous groups by visiting local artisans and markets, and tours of museums and historic sites to learn more about the rich, cultural history of the Ecuadorians. While in Quito, participants will study Spanish through immersion courses and will undertake a service project to aid local preschools.

CCC's study abroad program is part of a larger effort that understands and celebrates multiculturalism and global diversity on the campus by broadening access to study abroad opportunities; enhancing multicultural and global content within the curriculum; and supporting activities and events on campus that highlight international topics. As co-leader for the previous trip to Peru, I have seen firsthand how beneficial study abroad is to our students. Learning about other cultures allows students to be successful working in a global environment by giving them wider perspective on the world and all those who inhabit it. Enhancing global perspectives in its programs and increasing student literacy about cultural diversity is part of Craven's efforts to enhance teaching and learning. The college is committed to the effort. It has partnered with World View at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, is an active member of Community Colleges for International Development, and has admitted international students into its programs. 🌍



Above the Nazca Lines

