Princeton in Latin America Fellows, 2010-11

Kim Beers, Georgetown ’09

IMIFAP, Mexico City, Mexico

Originally from Florida, Kim is a 2009 graduate of Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service in Washington D.C. She majored in Science, Technology and International Affairs with a concentration in Global Health, and also earned a Certificate in Latin American Studies. During college, Kim spent a semester studying at the University of Buenos Aires in Argentina, a summer teaching English in Sinaloa, Mexico, and many a Saturday morning playing rugby at Georgetown. After graduation, Kim remained in D.C. to work for Freedom House, an organization that promotes human rights and democracy worldwide, where her focus was human rights in Latin America. Kim is excited to move to Mexico City where she will be writing grants for the Instituto Mexicano de Investigación de Familia y Población, a public health organization that works with impoverished communities in Mexico and throughout Latin America.

Veronica Bustabad, Duke ’10

Alternativas y Capacidades, Mexico City, Mexico

Originally from Maracaibo, Venezuela, Veronica moved to Miami, Florida at a very young age. At Duke University, Veronica majored in Political Science and worked with the organization Student Action with Farmworkers (SAF) to improve conditions for farmworkers. Veronica studied abroad in Geneva through the SIT International Studies, Organizations and Social Justice Program and studied French and Portuguese Language and Culture in Paris and Rio de Janeiro two summers. While in Brazil, Veronica worked with the organization Instituto TerrAzul on environmental education and conservation of the National Tijuca Forest. Veronica is very interested in the connections between poverty, environment and policy and is very excited to be working on non-profit development with Alternativas y Capacidades in Mexico City this year.
Jennifer Carvajal, UPenn ’10

ANIF, Bogotá, Colombia

Jennifer, a native of Northern Virginia, graduated from The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania with a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics concentrating in Real Estate and Marketing with a minor in French. She will be spending her fellowship year in Bogota, Colombia working for the National Association of Financial Institutions (ANIF) on the research team. Before attending Wharton, Jennifer traveled to Colombia often both to visit family and also to complete an internship at the Universidad de los Andes and to volunteer as an English teacher. Once at Wharton she became involved in numerous organizations including Penn International Business Volunteers, Big Brother Big Sister Financial Literacy program, and the Penn Abroad Student Advisor committee. She also had the opportunity to study abroad both in Tours, France and London, England. During the spring of 2010 Jennifer completed a senior thesis, analyzing the economic success of the Chilean social housing subsidy programs, for which she was awarded the Herbert K. Brown Scholastic Foundation Award from the Zell Laurie Institution at Wharton. She is looking forward to returning to Colombia with the opportunity to apply her knowledge of business while also gaining an understanding of the financial systems and economy of Latin America.

Michelle Davis, American ’09

Metisgaia, Peru

Michelle majored in Peace and Conflict Resolution at American University, has been living in Peru since she graduated college in 2009. She is excited to spend the next year working with her partner institution, Metis Gaia, on corporate social responsibility issues. During her time with Metis, Michelle will focus on social impact studies relating to mining projects throughout Peru, working to ensure that communities are not negatively effected by projects in the region while also learning a bit more about how to negotiate between large scale business wants and community level needs. Before coming to Metis, Michelle worked at an afterschool program, wrote a guide book focusing on sustainable tourism, and volunteered at a variety of gender rights organizations. She has travelled to over 10 countries in Latin America, and is excited to have the chance to continue to learn and grow in Perú.
Katerina Gross, Princeton ’10

A resident of Niskayuna, NY, Katerina graduated from Princeton with a degree in economics and a certificate in Spanish language and culture. During college, Katerina studied abroad in Spain, worked for a community development organization in upstate New York, served as an economics research assistant, and interned with the Solidarity Center in the Dominican Republic. Additionally, Katerina completed a thesis which examined the effect of breastfeeding on the health of Peruvian children. This year, Katerina will work with Endeavor in Argentina, where she looks forward to continuing her involvement in international development and experiencing Buenos Aires’s vibrant cultural life. Following her fellowship, Katerina intends to attend law school and ultimately pursue a career in international law.

Emily-Kate Hannapel, NYU ’10

Originally from D.C., Emily-Kate graduated from NYU’s Gallatin School in May ’10 with a concentration in Community Health and Gender Studies. During her junior year, Emily-Kate studied community health abroad in D.C., Tanzania, and Vietnam. These travels encouraged Emily-Kate’s passion for women’s health, specifically midwifery. After her PiLA fellowship with Funcedescri in Guatemala she hopes to go to nursing school. In her free time, Emily-Kate gardens, bakes, and plays with her chickens.

Mai Ann Healy, Middlebury ’09

While at Middlebury, Mai Ann majored in International Studies and minored in Political Science. Additionally, she studied abroad in Madrid, Spain and Valparaíso, Chile, interned at...
an economic development nonprofit in Denver, took advantage of Vermont's winters by becoming a ski instructor, and co-captained her IM wiffleball team to championship glory. Though she calls Boston her stomping grounds, Mai Ann will pursue graduate studies in International Security in Buenos Aires after her year with Endeavor Patagonia.

**Sara Holloway, Princeton ’06**

**Endeavor Mexico, Mexico City, Mexico**

A New Jersey native, Sara majored in Sociology at Princeton and cofounded Pa'Delante, an ESL program designed for eating club employees. Sara was also an active member of the Princeton Justice Project. During college, Sara studied abroad in Havana, Cuba, interned with a think tank in Quito, Ecuador, and conducted independent research on deported immigrants throughout Guatemala. For the past two years, Sara was employed with ShoreBank, a Chicago-based community development and environmental bank, where she worked with national socially responsible depositors. Sara is excited about her PiLA position with Endeavor in Mexico City and eager to continue exploring how the private sector can contribute to the public good.

**Edward Hurme, Princeton '10**

**Amazon Conservation Association, Wayqecha Cloud Forest Station, Peru**

Originally from San Antonio, Texas, Edward studied ecology and evolutionary biology at Princeton University class of 2010. He has worked at research stations in Costa Rica studying frogs, as well as on an island in the Panama Canal investigating bird evolution and then ant traffic. Edward is excited to spend a year working with the Amazon Conservation Association, living at the Wayqecha Cloud Forest Biological Station, a completely new habitat for him. Edward hopes to continue a career in science and use his time in Peru to narrow down that path.
Gabriela Jara, Columbia ’10
Arias Foundation, San José, Costa Rica

Gabriela Jara attended Columbia University where she majored in Political Science with an International Relations focus and completed a special concentration in Human Rights. Her junior year was spent abroad in the United Kingdom, reading Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE) at Oxford University. Gabriela previously interned for the International Indigenous Women’s Forum (IIWF/FIMI), an NGO that works internationally to address the status of native populations and the need for political and social equality. In the past, Gabriela worked as a research assistant for a professor at Columbia’s History Department and has volunteered as an SAT math tutor for high school juniors in Harlem. Additionally, she held the post of co-editor for the Columbia Daily Spectator’s Spanish supplement, La Página, a Spanish newspaper for residents of the Morningside Heights- Harlem neighborhood. After completing a senior thesis on the ICC Rome Statute treaty and country compliance, Gabriela is very excited to work with the Arias Foundation, a major advocate for peace and demilitarization whose ongoing projects include an Arms Trade Treaty Ban. After her year with Arias, Gabriela hopes to pursue a career in international law and human rights.

Adrienne Langlois, Brown ’10
The Edge in College Prep, Rio de Janiero, Brazil

Originally hailing from Asheville, NC, Adrienne Langlois is a 2010 graduate of Brown University with concentrations in History and Latin American Studies. While at Brown, Adrienne was an avid writer and musician and wrote for a number of campus and regional publications and played the French horn in musical groups of all sizes. In the summer of 2008, Adrienne traveled to Quito, Ecuador, where she worked in two orphanages. Since then, Adrienne has continued to be active in community outreach through her work with Street Sights, Providence, RI’s newspaper of housing and homelessness issues, and the William D’Abate Community School in Olneyville, RI. She is excited to explore her interests in Brazilian culture, education and cross-cultural communication with her placement with The Edge in Rio.
Nora Leary, Georgetown ’08

The Edge in College Prep, Buenos Aires, Argentina

Nora Leary attended Georgetown University, where she double majored in English and Government, with a focus in international relations. She spent part of her junior year abroad in Sydney, Australia studying government on an international scale. Nora spent the beginning of this year working in Kigali, Rwanda at the non-profit Generation Rwanda (formerly Orphans of Rwanda). While there, Nora worked with university students on career development and, in her spare time, volunteered at a local orphanage. She is excited to expand her international skills to Latin America and will be working with The Edge in College Preparation in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Mario Moreno, Duke ’10

Human Rights Watch/CELE, Buenos Aires, Argentina

A native of Monterrey, Mexico, Mario has also spent a significant part of his life in Illinois and the US-Mexico border. His experiences in these places, particularly the border and Monterrey, helped foster in him a passion for human rights, demilitarization, and organized crime research. His studies and work while at Duke University, from which he graduates in 2010, have only served to highlight these interests. He has interned for a Chilean NGO that ran mentorship programs for underprivileged youth, as well as with the Washington Office on Latin America, where he researched the recent militarization of the Mexican border and the effect that had on the incidence of human rights abuses in the area. He has similarly written a senior thesis on police reform and organized crime in Mexico. When not working or studying, Mario competes for the varsity track and field team at Duke. He is excited to work with HRW and CELE next year.
Maeve O'Neill, George Washington '09

Libras de Amor, El Salvador

Born in Ireland and raised in New Jersey, Maeve attended the George Washington University and majored in International Development and Anthropology. She developed a love for Latin American culture while studying abroad in Ecuador. Because of inspiring healthcare work experiences in Ecuador, Washington DC, and Pennsylvania, she has also become greatly interested in learning about and addressing global and local health disparities. She recently completed a post-baccalaureate pre medical program at Bryn Mawr College and has plans to attend medical school in the future. She is incredibly excited to spend the year working with Libras de Amor on reducing childhood malnutrition in El Salvador and is truly grateful for the opportunity to learn healthcare skills that will help her in the future.

Dawn Powell, USC ’10

China-Brazil Business Council, Rio de Janiero, Brazil

A San Diego native, Dawn graduated from The University of Southern California with a B.A. in International Relations and a minor in Spanish. Her passion for international development grew as she worked at educational nonprofits in Ghana, Mexico, and Los Angeles, performed microfinance impact evaluations in Ecuador, studied at the Universidade Federal da Bahia in Brazil, and backpacked throughout South America. During her senior year of college, she joined the StartingBloc Fellowship, interned at the USC Marshall Society and Business Lab, and conducted independent research on Sino-Brazilian economic ties, experiences that demonstrated the power of both social business and trade policy to alleviate poverty. Dawn is looking forward to living in Rio de Janeiro, where she will promote development in emerging economies as the inaugural PiLA fellow at the China-Brazil Business Council, as well as hone her samba skills.
Anne Rodriguez, Stanford ’09
Endeavor Uruguay, Montevideo, Uruguay

Originally from Fairfield, Connecticut, Anne is a graduate of Stanford University. She received her B.A. in International Relations with a specialization in Comparative International Political Economy. While at Stanford, Anne also minored in Spanish and Italian and studied abroad in Santiago, Chile and Florence, Italy. After graduating, Anne joined the Program Finance team at the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, where she worked primarily with the Foundation’s Andes-Amazon Initiative. Anne will be spending the year in Uruguay and working for Endeavor, specifically supporting the Search & Selection and Entrepreneur Services teams.

Caitlin Schoenfelder, Whitman ’09
Convivencia Educativa, Puebla, Mexico

Caitlin graduated from Whitman College in 2009, with a degree in Politics and a minor in Latin American Studies. As an undergraduate, she co-founded Justice Beyond Borders, which conducted weeklong experiential education trips for college students interested in learning more about Border issues. After moving to Washington, D.C. after graduation, she worked as a Family Care Program Coordinator for the Office of Public Schools as an advocate for families whose children were being identified and evaluated for special education. During that time, she also taught ESL at Next Step Public Charter School’s Latin American Youth Center and was a Community Engagement Fellow with the Urban Education Leadership Internship Program in the DC Public Schools. With all this experience and engagement in education, she looks forward to her fellowship at Convivencia Educativa, where she will focus on capacity building with lower and middle school teachers in several Mexican states.
Jessica Sturzenegger, Bucknell ’10

Mujeres Empresarias, Puerta Varas, Chile

Originally from Switzerland, Jessica majored in Economics and International Relations at Bucknell University with minors in Arabic and Spanish. While at Bucknell, Jessica co-founded the Microfinance Initiative, participated in student government, and had the opportunity to study abroad in Egypt for a summer and Chile for a semester. Through her studies and travels, Jessica became interested in the role of entrepreneurship in economic development. She had the chance to work on an independent study her senior year on the application of entrepreneurship in emerging markets, which strengthened her interest in emerging markets and their place in the global economy. With a passion for traveling, languages, economics, and exploring new cultures, Jessica is looking forward to working with Mujeres Empresarias in Chile. After her fellowship, Jessica hopes to pursue a career that will incorporate her interests in business, international affairs, and languages.

James Williams, Columbia ’08

The Edge in College Prep, Buenos Aires, Argentina

James Williams is a 2008 graduate of Columbia University, where he majored in English. While he was there, he wrote one or two things that he is still proud of -- one of them was a musical -- and studied ecology abroad in the Dominican Republic. Outside of a college context, he has lived for varying amounts of time in Costa Rica, Ecuador, Nicaragua, and Bolivia, where he helped make a short documentary on sustainable agriculture. Since graduation, he has worked as the research and editorial assistant to Daphne Merkin, a renown essayist, cultural critic, and magazine journalist. He is very excited to travel to Argentina for the first time as a representative of The Edge in College Prep.