Sneaky Re-entry Programming Students Will Actually Attend

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#### Introduction

- \* Butler University
- \* Center for Global Education
- \* Internship and Career Services

### Inspiration

#### \* Observations

- \* Reverse culture shock
- \* Students' descriptions of overseas experiences
- \* Low attendance at re-entry activities

#### \* What do students want?

- \* To tell their story
- \* Exciting food options not available on campus
- \* Individualized career guidance and preparation
- \* Employers they can talk to and learn from in a relaxed environment

#### Goals and Preparation

- \* Big picture goal
  - \* Help students process their overseas experiences and learn how to professionally articulate what they learned
- \* Workshop preparation and logistics
  - \* Advertising targeted to students that recently returned
  - \* Pictures from students that RSVP
  - Room arrangement that encourages discussion and interaction with panel
  - \* International food from a local off campus restaurant

### Workshop Success Story

- \* Workshop Agenda
  - \* Introductions
  - \* Chalk talk activity
  - \* Dinner, conversation with fellow students, and networking with alumni and employer panelists
  - \* Career development and preparation focus
  - \* Panel discussion with alumni and employers
  - \* Q&A

### Workshop Success Story

#### \* Effectiveness

- \* High attendance
- \* Positive feedback from students and employers
- \* Cross-campus collaboration

## Reflection and Action

WHAT?	HOW?	WHO?
What do students want for	How can we provide it to	Who can we collaborate with?
re-entry programming?	them?	
Career prep, Contact with employers	Articulating Your Study Abroad Experience Workshop	Internship and Career Services, Alumni, Local Employers
Unique food	International Dinner Outing	Residence Life
Connections with fellow study abroad peers	Pizza and "Big Questions" Event	<b>Center for Faith and Vocation</b>

# Key Takeaways

Q & A

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