

## Police And Safety REPORT:

- 02/10/98** Stolen signs confiscated from residence hall room.
- 02/12/98** An anonymous caller reported possible contraband in Perry Hall.
- 02/15/98** Three individuals were noticed acting suspicious in S-lot. Officers identified the three and determined all was O.K.
- 02/15/98** Officers found an individual walking around the engineering building. Due to the late hour and the recent problems in the area the person was stopped and identified.
- 02/15/98** Officers stopped vehicle leaving S-lot for suspicious activity. Driver was identified and it was determined that he urinated. Driver was checked and was given a warning about the activity. The officers did not observe the act. Person was a non-student.
- 02/15/98** Complainant reported her car was stolen. Complainant was advised her vehicle was towed from Dobbins Lot.
- 02/15/98** Complainant requested the department's help in locating an individual that was a runaway from their area and could be on this campus.

## Study abroad a valuable opportunity for students

by Scott Warofka  
staff writer

What is one of the best ways to make yourself more marketable to potential employers? Many human resource personnel suggest that in today's global market, students need international experience. One way for students to gain this experience is through the Education Abroad programs.

One of the programs offered to Be-

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shared by a group of students.

Johnson also explained that time away from home may be a concern for many students. She said that the Penn State-Temple Rome program was just one of the options available to Behrend students. There are other programs of shorter length. "If a student is not looking for a semester, we offer programs as little as one week over spring break," Johnson stated. These Behrend-based programs offer students the opportunity to study abroad in Spain or Mexico. There are also Summer Programs that enable students to study in Germany, England, Ireland or France. Johnson added that these options are "unique to Behrend."

Johnson said that the program is open to all students in good academic standing although most are in their junior or senior year. For many programs, applications are due one year in advance. Students interested in participating in the Education Abroad program should contact Amy Johnson at 898-6230.

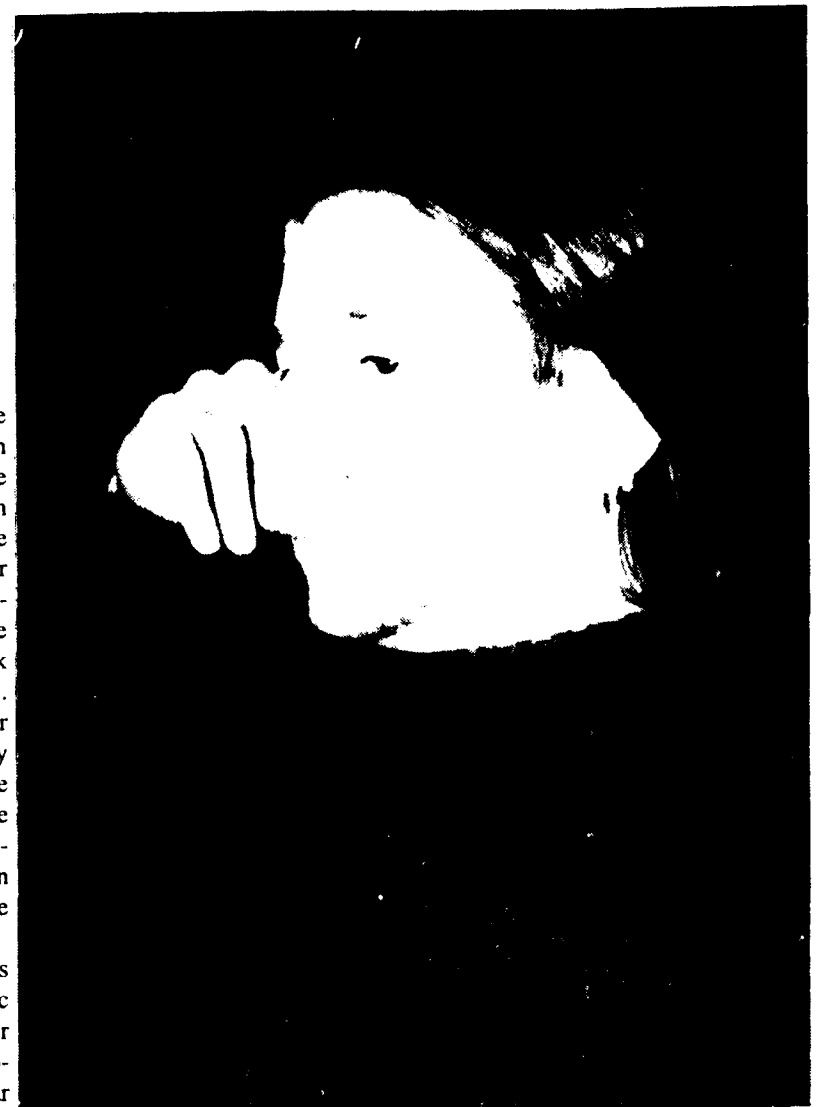


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Ben Murphy, a Behrend student, spent last semester in Italy as part of Penn State's study abroad program

## Excellence in Teaching Award nominations due

by Mark Greenbank  
staff writer

Do you know an outstanding teacher, or would you like to recognize the efforts made by one of your professors? If so, there is an Excellence in Teaching Award given out each year. Students can nominate deserving teachers for this honor.

In 1970 the Behrend Council of Fellows created an award to recognize outstanding teachers, and the commitment that they make to the University. This tradition, known as

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the Behrend Excellence in Teaching Award, gives students the opportunity to thank their class facilitators for the services they provide to the students, and also to the University. Every Year the Undergraduate Studies Committee, currently headed by Dr. James Kurre, selects one winner from the nominations they receive, and then presents the award at the Honors and Awards Convocation Ceremony at the end of the spring semester.

The application forms are avail-

able in the library, the computer center (131 Hammermill), school offices, and at the RUB Desk. To be eligible to receive this award, an educator must be a full time faculty member with two years of continuous teaching experience. Students who nominate the faculty base the nomination upon the methods of the instructor, the organization and originality of their content, the level of student participation that is encouraged, the attitude of the instructor, their availability outside the classroom, the encouragement of independent thinking, and their communication skills.

Whether a nominee is selected as the recipient or not, all nominees are aware that they have been nominated, but still don't know by whom they were nominated. Upon accepting the award, a requirement the nominee must fulfill the following year is to present a lecture on the Provost and Dean's Speaker Series. Last year's recipient was Dr. Eric Corty, an assistant professor of psychology. All application forms for this year are due in the Office of the Provost and Dean by no later than March 2, 1998.

Behrend is known for the excellent faculty it possesses, and hopes that this award will encourage a continuance of the outstanding teaching through the years as it has done in the past.

hrend students is The Penn State-Temple Rome Program. This particular program is offered through Penn State and Temple Universities and offers students from each respective school the opportunity to study in Rome, Italy. The program allows students to take courses in the areas of architecture, art history, Italian, studio art and international business. Various humanities and social science courses are also offered.

Recently, Ben Murphy, 06 MIS, returned to Behrend after spending a semester in Rome. Like many students considering the possibilities of studying abroad, he was nervous as to how he would adjust to living in a different country. However, Murphy said that the other students and professors eased his tensions. "The Italian classes taught practical language and it was easy to pick up when you had the opportunity to use it daily."

In addition to Italian, Murphy also studied Art History. He said that living in Rome gave him "a better understanding of different cultures." Murphy explained that his apartment was located within walking distance to Vatican City. He said that, "Seeing pictures of St. Peter's Basilica in history and art books, and seeing it hands on ...there's no comparison."

Although this experience may sound intriguing to many, some students feel that there are too many reasons that prevent them from participating. Rob McArdle, 08 Business Management, says that "It's too expensive. Most students can't afford it." Amy Johnson, Academic Support Programs coordinator stated that this may not be the case. She said that tuition is approximately the same as that at any Penn State campus. She did agree that living expenses may be slightly higher, but that they can be

# 1998-99 Financial Aid Update

- If you currently receive financial aid, the 1998-99 Renewal Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) has been mailed to your home address. It should be completed and mailed by **April 1, 1998**. You should make every effort to use **completed 1997 tax information on your Renewal FAFSA**.
- If you do not receive any financial aid this year, but want to apply for next year, pick up the 1998-99 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at the Financial Aid Office. It should be completed and mailed by **April 1, 1998**.
- The 1998-99 Penn State - Behrend Academic Scholarship Application is available in the Financial Aid Office. The deadline for applying is **February 27, 1998**.
- The 1998-99 Penn State - Behrend Leadership Scholarship Application is available in the Financial Aid Office and Student Activities Office. The deadline for applying is **February 27, 1998**.

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