

Peru Wintermester:

Timeline of the best three weeks of my life!

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12/27/21

Bus and walking tour around





12/29/21 Gelato at Delicass!







12/31/21 Lunch at Amoramar & New Year's Eve









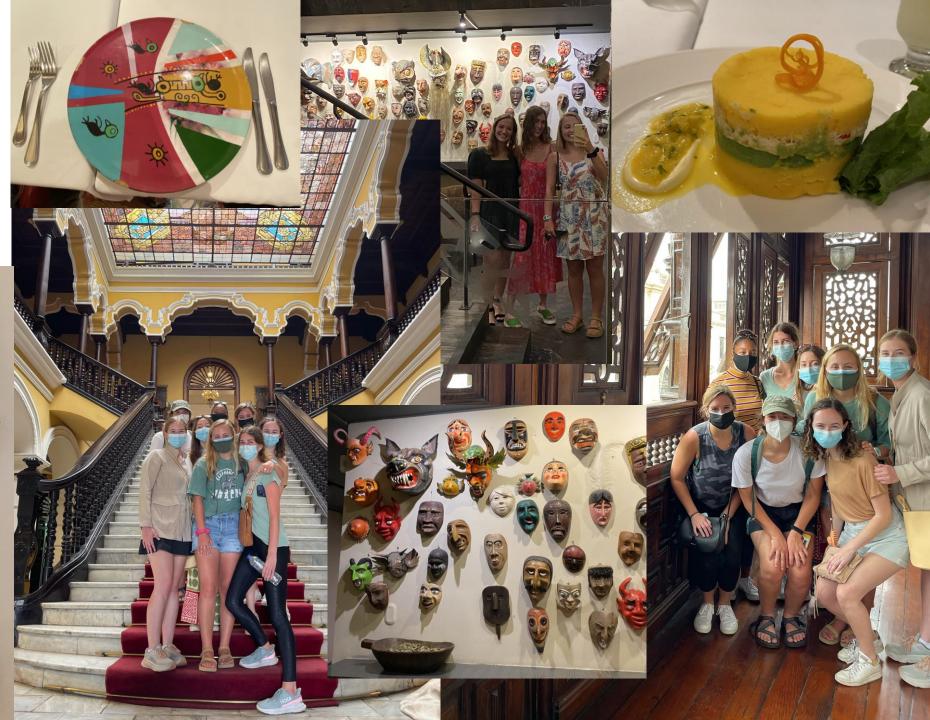




1/4/22

Archbishop's
Palace, Cathedral,
& Group Dinner #2!

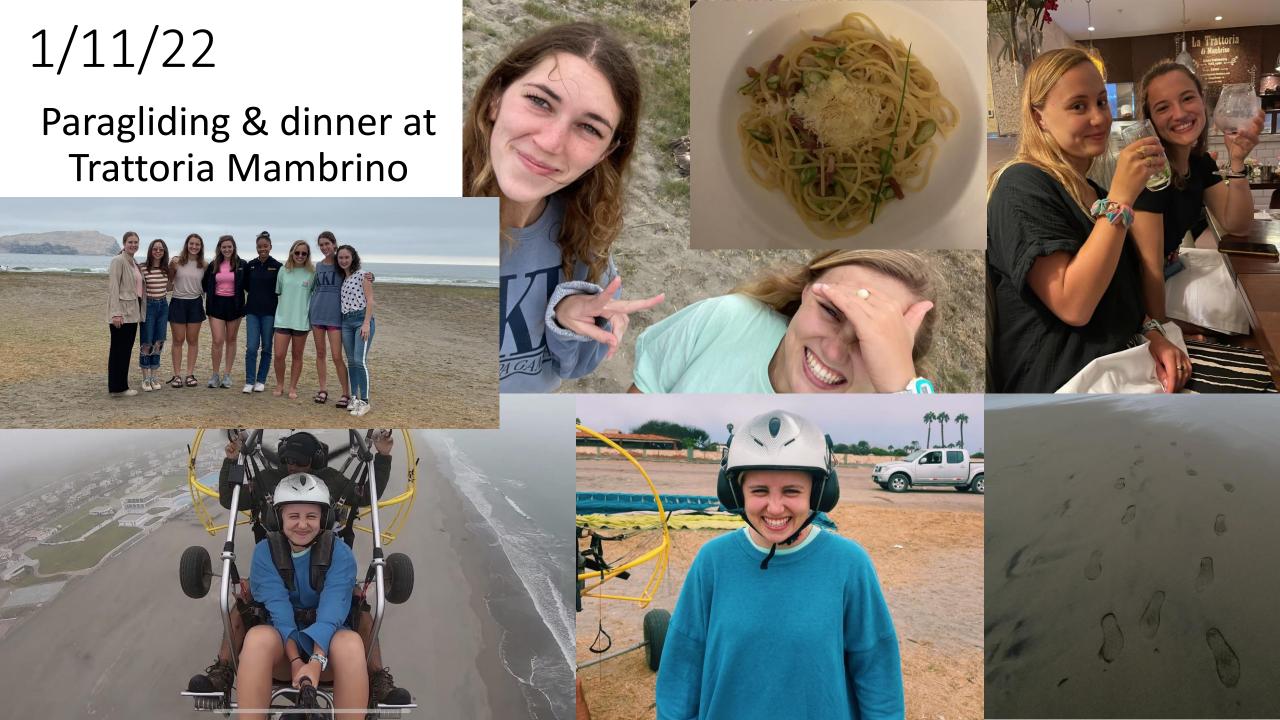




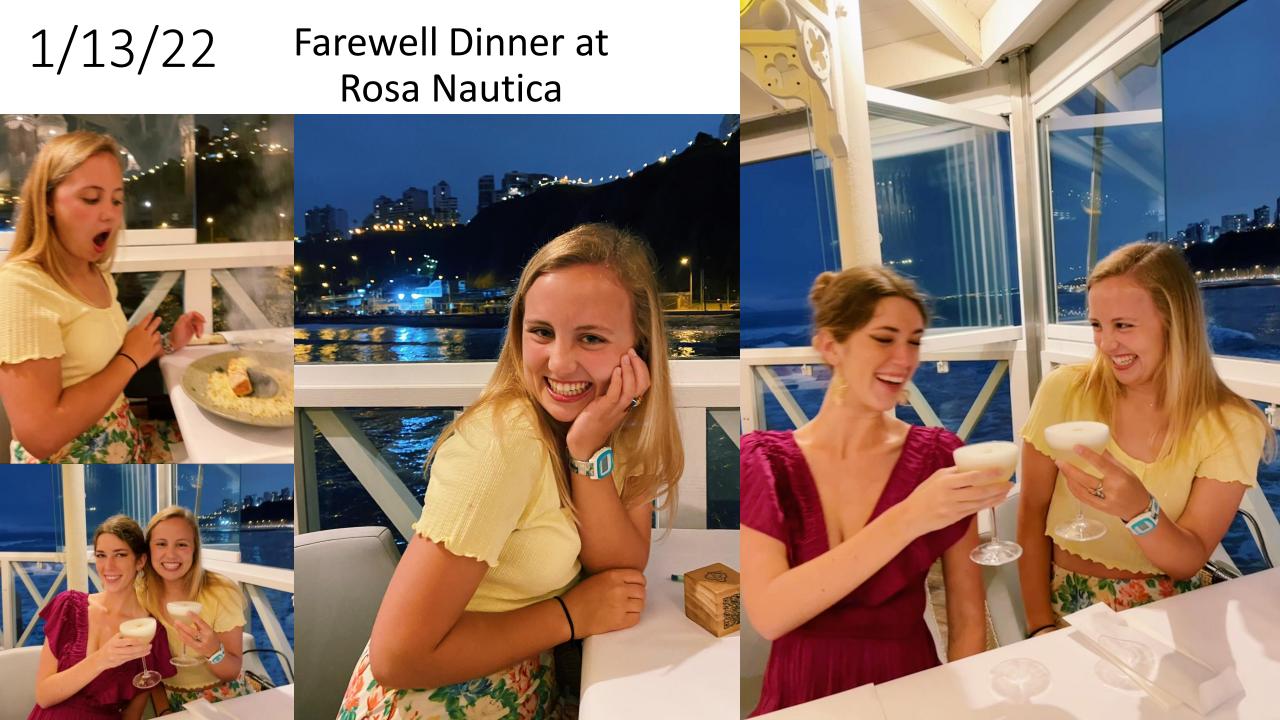












1/14/22 Last day at the beach

This trip was an absolute dream!!! I'm so thankful for all the fun adventures, great food, and the best people to have experienced it all with <3



Expectations vs. Reality

- All of the dogs are so well behaved; this is way different than dogs in the United States
- The weather was even more humid than in Houston which I was not expecting; it made it feel much warmer than the mid 70s
- THE FOOD everything was so much better than in the US; I will never enjoy food in American restaurants as much. Also, nice dinners were much less expensive than I was expecting.
- Friends:) I was not expecting to get as close with everyone on this trip as I did. I made some lifelong friends, and I'm so happy I met them on this trip.

What I learned

- How to enjoy and be a guest in a new culture while remaining respectful
- How to slow down and take everything in; there were so many new foods to try, places to see, and activities to do, but I worked hard to live in the moment and focus on how awesome every day was
- Patience! It took a little while to adjust to how things were different (especially at restaurants), so we had to be patient while we got the hang of it
- The best things in life happen outside our comfort zones: Going on this trip without knowing anyone or anything about Peru was a little daunting in the beginning, but I had an amazing experience and I learned how valuable it is to try new things and foods (like ceviche, guinea pig, surfing, paragliding, etc.)

Improvements to the trip

- Overall, I loved absolutely everything!!!
- I would only have changed how long we stayed in Cuzco, because that was one of the best parts of the trip. I could be fun to spend more like a week there or divide the class more evenly between Lima and Cuzco.



One Last Thing:

Thank you for organizing this study abroad to Peru!!!! The class was interesting, and the trip was amazing!!! I loved everything about Peru, and I can't wait to go back one day!!!!