



# Study Abroad Spotlight

## *Opera Edition*



### **Jessica Perez**

Study Abroad Program:

Canta in Italia (Lucca, Italy)

*Major: Music Performance- Voice*

Semester Abroad: Summer 2015

**Q: What did you gain from your study abroad experience?**

*A: I met extraordinary musicians, teachers and other music students that contributed tremendously to my development as a professional. But I also gained personal growth. Having the opportunity to visit Italy for a month gave me a wide perspective of the culture and its people.*

**Q: How do you think that program will benefit you later in life?**

*A: It has already had a great impact in my life. I have made connections and friendships that could be crucial for my professional career in the future. Also, the knowledge I have absorbed in Italy cannot compare to what I could normally absorb in the regular classroom here in Kansas, I think my brain will retain concepts more easily by relating it to extraordinary experiences. Furthermore, thanks to this program, I have been seriously considering to pursue a master degree outside the U.S.*

