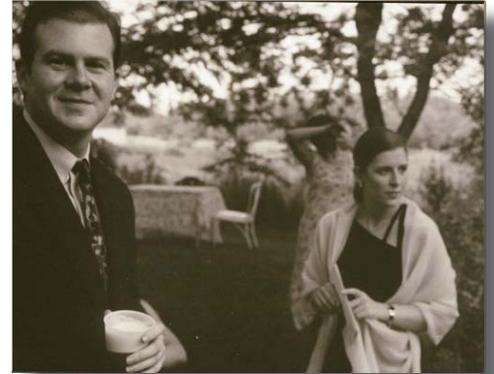


Andrew Roccella Memorial Scholarship

Through the generosity of Dr. Edward J. and Mrs. Eileen M. Roccella and their relatives and friends, the Purdue University Office of Programs for Study Abroad has received an endowment to establish the Andrew Roccella Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship celebrates the life of the Roccella's son, Andrew M. Roccella.

About Andrew Roccella

Andrew was a 1999 Purdue University honors graduate of the professional writing program and member of the Lacrosse team. In 1998 he studied in Milan and Florence, Italy and traveled throughout Europe. While in Florence, Andrew met Corinne Schillings who was in the Italian Studies Program. Their friendship grew into deep love for one another. On March 6, 2004, the day he was to propose marriage to Corinne, both tragically died when a storm overturned their water taxi in the Baltimore harbor.



About the Scholarship

To honor him, the Roccella family and friends have provided this scholarship which supports deserving students who wish to learn from and contribute to other cultures, by living and studying abroad. The scholarship has already been awarded to students for study in Germany and France. Awards will soon be made to students who wish to study cultures and languages in other countries. Ed and Eileen Roccella recall, "Andrew's study abroad experience enhanced his natural gift of embracing friends from diverse backgrounds, cultures and religions. He found beauty and strength in all of them. In his quiet, good humored way, he worked to be sure that all were heard, no one felt left out, and no one left behind. Everything he touched he made better and this scholarship fosters his spirit."

Upcoming Events

This year's Andrew Roccella Memorial Scholarship winners will be announced at the Fall Welcome Reception on Wednesday, August 24 from 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. in the Purdue Memorial Union South Ballroom. To view recipient winners log onto the website the following day.
www.studyabroad.purdue.edu/roccella

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Giving Opportunities

This is the first-ever endowed scholarship fund for study abroad in Purdue's history. To date, Scholarship donors like you have contributed over \$43,000 to the Fund. You can help keep the memory of Andrew alive, while providing a life-changing opportunity for current Purdue students, through support of this scholarship fund.

You Can Make a Difference! Matching Fund Campaign

Ed and Eileen Roccella have begun a matching fund campaign, providing up to \$25,000 in matching funds. If this matching fund is met, they will continue to provide matching funds in increments of \$25,000, up to \$100,000.

Don't miss this opportunity to help provide these important scholarships for Purdue students.

For more information please visit the website: www.studyabroad.purdue.edu/roccella

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