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Hello Friend,

Congratulations on your acceptance to Carleton! I am delighted to introduce you to the College's program in Cross-Cultural Studies. Never heard of that before? Don't worry—vou're not the only one! At Carleton, the Cross-Cultural Studies program focuses on these topics:

- > How larger cultural communities **engage** with difference from within and without;
- > How substantially diverse communities **interact**; and
- ➤ How they **comprehend** one another.

The Cross-Cultural Studies minor brings together international students and domestic students from the U.S. who have cross-cultural experiences (including intersections of religion, race, ethnicity, gender, and more). We work to address and explore regional and global issues in team-taught, interdisciplinary seminars in a comparative framework.

"CCST" is designed to help students who are studying a particular area of the world or a discipline with an international focus (e.g., majors in area studies, languages, history, economics, political science, literature, anthropology, religion, etc.) to place that area or discipline in a broader, cross-cultural context by seeing how it participates in and is influenced by trans-national, sometimes global dynamics and problems.

We offer some of our own courses (for example, "Growing Up Cross-Culturally," "The Art of Translation in the Age of the Machine," "Creative Travel Writing," "I'm a Stranger Here Myself," "Global Contexts of Migration and Immigration"), but we also connect with many other departments and programs. Of course, our students are often very involved in off-campus study. There's even an off-campus studies program focused on cross-cultural psychology!

You can take these courses whether you minor in Cross-Cultural Studies or not. Learn more about our courses here.

Cross-Cultural Studies is a new area for most students, so it's normal to have questions. Please feel free to send me an email at eposfay@carleton.edu.

I'm looking forward to working with you in the very near future!

With best wishes,

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