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MATTHIAS STEPHENS

GISS 2006, USA

I wasn't one hundred percent confident about my application, so when I was accepted, I felt extremely surprised and excited about my summer. I couldn't stop anticipating my trip, so when it came time for me to get off the plane in Scotland, it felt extremely surreal.

I greatly appreciate the opportunity which was provided to me, because it not only allowed me to experience a different country, but also meet new friends from various different cultures and ethnicities I'd never imagine meeting. During my time at Gordonstoun, I endured many adventures, big and small, which expanded my experience, built my character and even crossed some things off my bucket list. All classes provided were spectacular, and I learned a lot about multiple different subjects.

This was a great way to spend three weeks of my summer and I would definitely recommend it to anyone looking for an educational, yet very fun and interesting, experience.

Thank you so much for accepting my scholarship application, I will forever be thankful for the gift of and opportunity of a lifetime.

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SKYE MACKAY PERKO

GISS 2009, USA

I can't thank you enough for giving me the opportunity to have such a life changing experience at GISS 2009. It was better than anything I could have imagined. I grew so much in just those 3 ½ weeks. I had the best time learning about all the different cultures, and how people from other countries interact in the world. I came to the realization that there's a whole other world out there, and I don't think there was any better way to learn that, than at GISS.

And on yet another personal level, while at GISS I was able to learn more about my heritage, for you see, my mother was born and raised in the Scottish Highlands and she always tells me and my brother about the grandness of the Highlands and its famous citizens.

It was one of the most amazing things I will ever experience in my life, and I say that with the deepest of sincerity. The things I learned at GISS are irreplaceable and invaluable, and I will never forget my time at the Gordonstoun International Summer School.

Because of you, my life has been forever changed, and I can't say thank you enough for giving me the opportunity to fulfill my dream of such a prestigious school.

