

## **MEDIA-SAVVY 22-YEAR-OLD BEATS 7,000 COMPETITION ENTRANTS TO WIN TWO-MONTH TRIP OF A LIFETIME**

**London, 16 June 2015:** Elena Hunt, aged 22, from Oxford, will be heading off to the USA, Canada and Ecuador for two months this summer, having been announced the lucky winner of a [travel internship competition](#) organised by BUNAC, the working holiday specialist.

Elena, who is currently working as a freelance copywriter and part-time Teaching Assistant, graduated in 2014 with a First Class Honours degree in Drama and Creative Writing from the University of the West of England, and is now back at her family home in Oxford. Elena completed an on-line travel questionnaire and submitted a catchy poem and [video](#), beating around 7,000 entrants to become one of 10 competition finalists.

Following an interview with a panel of judges, Elena was stunned and delighted to be selected as winner of the Global Internship prize.

She says: “After falling in love with the USA the previous summer, I was looking at BUNAC's different programmes and speculating on which one I would apply for if I had the resources. I then spotted the competition and knew immediately I wanted to apply as the prize offered so many different experiences and truly sounded like the summer of a lifetime.”

The exciting eight-week trip will involve Elena visiting and reporting back on BUNACers who are teaching children on American summer camps, working in resorts across the USA and in the stunning mountains of Canada, and volunteering on community and conservation projects in Ecuador.

She continues: “My main creative passion is writing so I am very excited at the prospect of producing professional standard pieces based around something I am interested in and sharing my experience with prospective travellers. I also love collating visual work so editing and recording footage will hopefully serve as a beautiful reminder of my travels and is a big step up from editing my home movies of my family eating Christmas dinner.

“Ultimately I want to do what every other young traveller wants, to meet new people, discover new landscapes and be reminded that there's a whole planet beyond your doorstep“, she concludes.

BUNAC will provide Elena with a video camera to document every step of her adventure, allowing her to blog, vlog and network her way across the continent.

The trip, courtesy of the Howard Crew Scholarship Fund, includes all flights and accommodation, a seven-day tour with [Trek America](#) from Los Angeles to San Francisco, taking in the Yosemite and Grand Canyon National Parks, Hollywood and

Route 66, plus a marketing internship in BUNAC's London office afterwards to write up the trip.

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Note to Editors: BUNAC are well-established experts in work and travel adventures worldwide, with over 50 years' experience. Programmes range from working holidays in the USA, Canada, Australia and New Zealand to summer camps, volunteer projects and internships in some of the world's most exciting locations.