Undergraduate Spotlight

Freshmen design major, Lily Kim, joined the Children’s School as a classroom assistant last fall. Lily, who wants to work with children in the future, enjoys being in our creative atmosphere. Whether it is working hands on with the students or in the office, she thinks every week at the Children’s School brings new learning opportunities. When she observes the students’ imaginations and the ways in which the teachers try to encourage their curiosity, she feels inspired to think and see things in different ways. Before coming to Carnegie Mellon, Lily interned at her elementary school back at home as an art teacher’s assistant. She has worked in both accelerated learner programs and special needs programs during her time there and loves the fact that she can continue furthering her experiences by working with children at college as well.

Winter Break Interns

When Carnegie Mellon students leave for winter break, we hire recent student teachers and students who are pursuing psychology or education degrees at other universities. In January, Renee Tillman and Amy Cascardo supported our teaching team for the first week of the semester. Renee was a preschool intern here during high school, and she is now a freshman psychology major at Penn State. Amy is a senior early childhood and special education major at the University of Hartford. We appreciate these talented students sharing themselves with us!

4th International Practicum Experience

For the past two weeks, we hosted four early childhood education students from Duksung Women’s University in Seoul, South Korea. Eight other students engaged in practicum experiences at the Carlow University Campus School, the Falk School, or the University Child Development Center. In addition to touring Pittsburgh, visiting diverse centers, planning with our educators, and teaching in our classrooms, the students joined us for our Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration, talked with a parent and an undergrad with South Korean roots, explored the Children’s Museum, visited the Fred Rogers Center, learned about professionalism at PAEYC, attended Dr. Carver’s Child Development class, observed a parent seminar, heard a research talk, etc. They bravely practiced their English and boldly faced the challenge of our cold, snowy weather. They also enjoyed the comfort and companionship of their hosts – the Aronson family and the Landau-Comings family. Thanks to everyone who helped make their Pittsburgh experience so positive, productive, and memorable! We also appreciate the ways that the Duksung students’ involvement with our educators and Carnegie Mellon students enriched our learning experiences in January!