Directed Studies Provides a Foundation for Higher Learning

Saybrook College student, Jeania Ree Moore ’12 came to Yale from Pasadena, California. During her freshman year, she participated in Directed Studies, a selective program for first-year Elis focused on the central texts of the Western tradition. “Directed Studies opened my mind to new ways of thinking about the world,” she said. “And it was extremely valuable in terms of exposing me to authors and texts to read for general knowledge.” She says it has already been a big help as she explores her intended major, Humanities, and in her Faith and Globalization seminar.

Jeania Ree writes for the *Yale Globalist*, an undergraduate student-run international affairs magazine and Web site. She is a member of the Yale Democrats and the Yale Christian Fellowship and sings in the Yale Gospel Choir. Last spring, she traveled with the group to Cincinnati and Chicago and performed at schools, churches, and homes for the elderly. They also spent a day volunteering at a local food bank. She said, “The choir is a great group of people, and I enjoy the combination of performance and community service.”

After graduation, Jeania Ree says she hopes to continue her education and enter a graduate program to earn a master’s degree or a Ph.D. She is considering attending the Divinity School or pursuing international affairs. First, however, she says she is looking forward to traveling abroad. “I hope to spend time in a Spanish-speaking country where I can further develop my language skills,” she said.

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