



Trente-huit jours au Maroc

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Background

- I came to UNCW in the fall of 2017. At that time, I was enlisted in the Army National Guard.
- I chose to major based on my international background, and goals of working in a global community.
- Thanks to this department, I have interned at with the United Nations Assoc., represented UNCW at the UN General Assembly, & represented UNCW/SVA at several military-affiliated student events.





Pourquoi Maroc?

- I knew very little about Morocco, but I knew that the Maghreb region had undergone a major political and social transition.
- I wanted the opportunity to live with a host family, to immerse myself in the culture and quotidian of Moroccan people.
- To study polyglossia and cultural significance of language in a society that is French, Spanish, Arab, and Berber cultures.
- To gain a better understanding of how human rights, women's rights, religious freedom, and immigration are handled in Morocco.

Pendant mon séjour



- I lived in the heart of Rabat, Quartier l'ocean with a family of 6.
- I studied at the Université Internationale de Rabat.
- 9 municipalities, 3 regions, 5 languages, AMAZING FOOD!
- Research studies on gender roles and human rights.



The outcomes

- I gained a new family.
- I was able to prove and disprove certain ideas, stereotypes, and biases about Morocco.
- I collected valuable data for my current research project and for future projects.





Continuing my research

- Directed Independent Study with Dr. Greta Bliss, UNCW-World Languages & Cultures.
- A study of feminism in the Maghreb through film and literature.
- A study of feminism in Morocco; a modern perspective on the fight for equal rights post-Arab Spring.
- A study of the ethnic division in Morocco.
- Reversing the brain drain of the Maghreb.

Questions?

