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Pitt State Receives Four Students for MBA Dual Degree Program

Pittsburg State University has an agreement with three partner universities to offer an MBA Dual Degree Program. Students in the program divide up their studies and complete one year at their home institution, then complete their last year at Pittsburg State University to earn two degrees- one from each institution. Pitt State both sends and receives students for the program.



Maxime Gelly (top middle), Thomas Detony (top right), and Netty Bathily (bottom right) are all in the MBA Dual Degree Program.

This semester, PSU received four students from each partner university as part of MBA Dual Degree Programs. Netty Bathily and Thomas Detony have come from La Rochelle International Business School in La Rochelle, France; Maxime Gelly has come from Montpellier Business School in Montpellier, France; and Hsiang-Tzu Wang has come from National Taipei University of Business in Taipei, Taiwan.

"I heard about the dual program thanks to the head of international exchange programs for Montpellier Business School..," Gelly said. "The fact that made me want to join it was the opportunity to live the American experience while following a program that would allow me to obtain an additional degree."

Participating in a Dual Degree program has many benefits for students.

"A program like this allows you to first develop your English skills, get an international degree, or even the opportunity to work in the United States," Gelly said.

Detony was attracted to the program by possible benefits and applied to be one of two students picked to participate in the program.

"There are only two students who can do it every year (from La Rochelle) so I was really thankful I was picked," Detony said. "As I want to stay in the U.S. after I graduate, this was the best deal for me."

Having partnerships that allow for these types of programs are not only beneficial for the students involved, but also for the institutions participating in the program.

"I think this is also beneficial for PSU," Gelly said. "International students bring their own experiences and perspectives that are sometimes different from the American culture."



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So far, the students are enjoying their life at Pittsburg State University.

"I really enjoy PSU..," Detony said. "The campus is great and there is always stuff to do around... (and) I love going to the football games and the tailgate on saturdays. I also like my classes so far..."