



2014 Class Notes Archives

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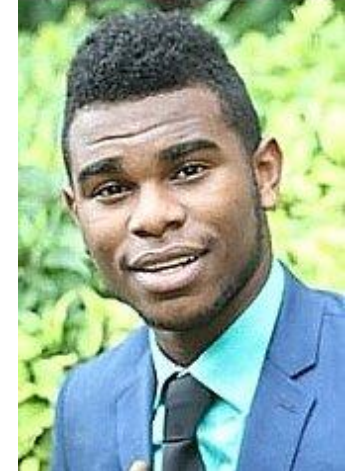
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BOTTOM: Andrea Moneton ('14)

● **Camille Girard** (*LSY: 7eme/CM2 in 2007*) wrote: "Ten years later: After a short stint at LFNY from 2006-2007 for my CM2 year, I returned to France and successfully passed my High School Diploma Baccalaureat ES in 2014. Afterwards I wanted to approach and validate my academic work in steps so I first sought and obtained a DUT (Associated Degree) in Sales and Marketing Techniques in my hometown of Valence. With that diploma I was able to integrate mid-course the ESDES Business School in Lyon last year. After having successfully passed my 3rd year I am now working towards my Master in Marketing & Digital Business and I am currently seeking an alternating life-school position for the next 2 years near Lyon where the school is based."

● **Améline France Sluka** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*) is studying Illustration at the Savannah College of Art and Design and expects to graduate in 2018.

● **Gaetan Martelly** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*) is studying Business Economics at the University of Connecticut and expects to graduate in 2018. "I'm an American citizen with Haitian and Italian heritage. I grew up in Port-Au-Prince, Haiti until the earthquake struck in 2010. Since then I resumed my academic experience in a French-American International School in New York City.....Now, I am a student at the University of Connecticut studying Business Economics with interest in Finance, Company Trade Relations, and sales efficiency. I believe there's always ways to improve companies and people's lives as long as you stay positive and work together." (<https://www.linkedin.com/in/gaetan-martelly-a2b6b1133>)

● **Lucien Christie Dervaux** (*LSY: 3eme in 2011*) is studying computer science at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and expects to graduate in 2018. After he left the LFNY, he completed his High School studies at Mary McDowell Friends High School.



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● **Maud Roux** (*LSY: 2nde in 2012*) is a student at ESSEC Business School and expects to graduate in 2018.

● **Siham Besnier** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*): "As a third year Cultural Studies and History student at McGill University, I seek to complete my Bachelor of Art by mid-2017. Born and raised in a culturally diverse environment, I was fortunate enough to receive a great education, both at home and at school. I obtained my French Baccalauréat (secondary high school diploma) in sciences, at the Lycée Français de New York. My countless hobbies constantly keep my brain and my body active and productive. Skateboarding, dancing, and running taught me the importance of keeping up with a good endurance, may it be physically or intellectually. As for the value of nurturing both my mind and my knowledge, I owe its enrichment to my passion for reading, writing, composing, and filming. Through the past and coming years, I intend to build myself a career in tight connection with my keen interests in French and English literature, world history, cinema, music, philosophy, theatre, and many other creative fields."

(<https://ca.linkedin.com/in/siham-besnier-713724ab/en>)

● **Anthony Marshi** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*) is currently studying at Georgetown University (expecting to graduate in 2018) and was featured in a September 2016 article of the university's student newspaper -- The Hoya. The article is about his co-founding "NewsRoom -- a social networking news mobile app [which] allows its users to create profiles on which they seek out, post, react to and comment specifically on news articles alongside their peers." (To read the full article, click [HERE](#))

● **Alexander Edye** (*LSY: mid-1ere in 2012*) shared this with us: "I left the Lycée in December of 2012 after having spent much of my childhood there (13 years!). My dad had been offered a new surgical teaching role in his hometown of Sydney, Australia.

I've always retained fond memories of the class of 2014. Having grown up with a large portion of that year group, much of my upbringing was linked to theirs.

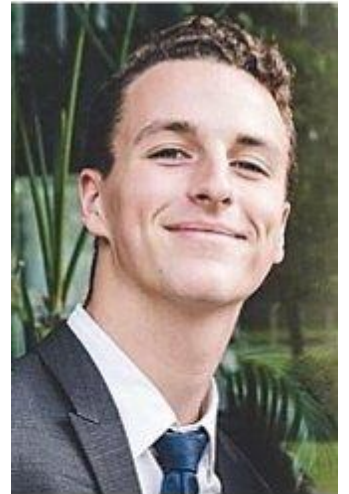
I think the problem with leaving a school at the age of 15 or 16 knowing that you will be finishing high school in a another country and mostly likely attending university there is that you easily loose contact with people. Despite having practically grown up with of the students, many friendships unfortunately fizzled out. But I don't think the Lycée's influence ever disappeared. In Sydney, I attended an elite all-boy Anglican high school for two years before pursuing my undergraduate degree in law and political science. In such an Anglo-Saxon environment, I held tightly to my Lycée roots, reminding others and myself why I was proud to be 'internationally French.'

The thing about the Lycée is that in all its purported 'French-ness', it is first and foremost 'internationally French.' What I mean is that it presents its students with an outlook on the world that many schools I have come across cannot do.

Many of my comrades from class of 2014 have gone on to study in foreign countries, bringing their bright



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minds and innovative ideas to different countries. They attend some of the best Universities in the United States and in the world and are destined for great things. They travel, create and share their world view to others around them.

In our current times of socio-political turmoil when discourses of division and hatred are touted in America, France, and other countries alike, it is important not to forget the 'international.' The Lycée, to me, represents a part of the most important development society has built up to over centuries: creating a welcoming and international environment fostering openness, ideas and compassion.

It was a privilege attending such an institution alongside such bright peers and I believe that most, if not all, will look back on their years at the Lycée with fondness. I regret not having maintained stronger connections with more of them but I think there will always remain a connectedness with Lycée Alumni specifically because of our 'international French-ness.' "



TOP: Camille Girard ('14);
MIDDLE: Natasha Voake ('14);
BOTTOM: Charlotte Watiez ('14)

● **Natasha Voake** (*LSY : 3eme in 2011*) "is a third-year linguist at Peterhouse (Cambridge University) and Vice-president of the Cambridge University American Society (CUAS). Outside of CUAS, she enjoys quizzing as part of CUQS. Originally from New York, she looks forward to expanding the society further." (<https://cambridgeuniversityamericansociety.wordpress.com/about/>)

● **Rebecca Ausseil** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*) is studying Comparative Literature, Psychology, and Translation Studies at Barnard College. She is also the Managing Editor of the weekly publication 'The Eye' (Columbia Daily Spectator) where she manages "a team of 30 staff members to pitch, report, edit, and write eight to ten 2,500-4,000 worded pieces of investigative, narrative journalism." (<https://www.linkedin.com/in/r%C3%A9becca-ausseil-4a4b6083/>) (Click [HERE](#) to read her articles.)

● **Amélie Clémot** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*) "is a student at Wesleyan University, where she is majoring in Government and Hispanic Literature. She recently returned from a semester in Chile, where she interned for SERPAJ – Carmela Jeria branch, an organization dedicated to helping vulnerable children and families. She is currently the president of Wesleyan's American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Connecticut chapter." (<http://www.acluct.org/our-board/>)

● **Andrea Moneton** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*) "is an undergraduate student in the School of Foreign Service [Georgetown University], class of 2018, studying international politics with a minor in Chinese and a certificate in Jewish civilization. She lives in New York City and hails from a French-American background, but China has captured her interests since she started learning Chinese in 2006. She is spending spring 2017 studying abroad in Beijing, China through the ACC-Hamilton program at Minzu University. On campus, Andrea works at Uncommon Grounds. She also spent 2016 serving as the editor-in-chief of the Caravel, Georgetown's weekly international news publication. She has been looking forward to studying abroad in China since before she even applied to college and is most excited to experience Chinese New Year traditions firsthand." (<https://berkeleycenter.georgetown.edu/people/andrea-moneton>)



Paul Le Gloan ('14)

● **Selin Yurtsever** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*) is pursuing a Bachelor's Degree at NYU and expects to graduate in 2018. She was interviewed by the Washington Square News (NYU's student newspaper) in April 2016, about her views on the crisis in Syris, having lived there herself. (Click [HERE](#) to read the interview)

● **Charlotte Watiez** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*) is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology, Spanish and Political Science at The George Washington University where she was, until May 2017, a "Cultural Ambassador for Latin America" for the Focus on Fall Abroad Community (FOFAC). "I studied abroad in Buenos Aires, Argentina with the IES Abroad Latin American Societies and Cultures program during the Fall 2016 semester! I'm a junior from New York, NY in the Columbian College majoring in Anthropology and double minoring in Spanish and Political Science. One of the highlights of my semester abroad was traveling to El Calafate in Argentine Patagonia and getting to hike the Perito Moreno glacier....." (<https://studyabroad.gwu.edu/fofac-cultural-ambassadors>)



**TOP: Juliette Petit ('14);
BOTTOM: Marianne Ruelle ('14)**

● **Théo Le Sourd** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*): "After moving in New York City when he was twelve years old, Theo began exploring the city with his photo camera. Witnessing New York with a set of a foreigner's eye helped Theo shape his desire to tell stories. Shortly after, he began making short stop-motion films in his room, animating food, shoes and even pasta. Working as a Junior Video Editor for the Metropolitan Museum's exhibit: "China: Through the Looking Glass", and following the acclaimed film director Wong Kar-Wai during the finalization of the exposition, Theo started directing live action short films and commercials. Throughout the year, Theo worked as a Production Assistant in the highly anticipated Sofia Coppola adaptation of *The Beguiled*. In the next few months, he is currently directing and producing several short films and has recently started the development of his first feature film. He always strives to tell a unique story, both personal and universal, often transcending in time. Theo is currently pursuing his BFA in Film Directing at the School of Visual Arts." (<https://theo-lesourd-cc9t.squarespace.com/about-1/>)

● **Thomas Cullen Palicka** (*LSY: 4eme in 2010*): "Tucked away under the Throgs Neck Bridge in the Bronx is the often overlooked State University of New York Maritime College, which has become known for its strong engineering and marine transportation programs..... The college is an unusual blend of engineering school and military academy; a majority of the students train to be merchant mariners..... A typical cadet is Cullen Palicka, a 20-year-old junior who was raised in Manhattan and attended the Harbor School, a maritime-themed high school on Governors Island, which provided his first taste of life at sea. For Mr. Palicka, sailing on the Training Ship Empire State VI is what sets Maritime College apart from the typical college..... [The ship] serves as a traveling lab, replete with pumps and motors. "You're no longer in a classroom, with a desk, chair and whiteboard," Mr. Palicka said. "That's our classroom." He said he would never forget departure day. "You're with your friends; you see everything in motion," he said. And for an 18-year-old raised in the Murray Hill neighborhood, sailing through the Narrows into the Atlantic was unforgettable..... But it was hardly a pleasure cruise; the days on the ship were highly structured. "You know what you're doing every hour," Mr. Palicka said. " (<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/03/16/nyregion/suny-maritime-college.html>)



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BOTTOM: Chiara Rachmanis ('14)**



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Fiona Piccoli ('14)

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet:

- [Baptiste Germano](#) sur son expérience en école préparatoire

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- **Juliette Petit** (*LSY: 3eme in 2011*) a obtenu son Baccalauréat Scientifique (Spécialité Mathématiques, mention Très Bien) au Lycée Institution Saint Malo La Providence en 2014. Elle est étudiante en classe préparatoire Ciné-Sup (section son --classe préparatoire aux grandes écoles de cinéma et de son) au Lycée Gabriel Guist'hau (<https://fr.linkedin.com/pub/juliette-petit/ba/371/842>)

- **Marianne Ruelle** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*) is an undergraduate student at McGill University and is pursuing a B.Sc. in Anatomy and Cell Biology, with a minor concentration in East Asian Language (Mandarin). She expects to graduate in 2017. (<https://ca.linkedin.com/in/marianne-ruelle-26bb84b0>)

- **Paul Le Gloan** (*LSY: Terminale in 2014*) is studying Economics and Philosophy at University College London where he expects to graduate in 2018. He is also writes reviews for the online jazz (and other music) magazine Djam. (Click [HERE](#) to read some of his articles)

- **Cecile Pin** (*LSY: 5eme in 2009*) obtained her French Baccalaureate (Literary Section) at the Institut Sainte Geneviève in 2014. She is currently a student at University College London where she expects to obtain a Bachelor's Degree in Philosophy in 2017. She does occasional volunteer work for the Orangutan Foundation ("the foremost orangutan conservation organization.....protecting their tropical forest habitat, working with local communities and promoting research and education"). (<https://uk.linkedin.com/in/cecile-pin-019374101>)

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- **Lauren Benson-Armer** is a student at McGill University
- **Chloe Bousquet-Chavanne** is a student at the University of Pennsylvania (Bachelor's Degree, expected 2018)
- **Laurena Dehlouz** is a student at Goldsmiths, University of London
- **Jeffrey Dewu** left the LFNY after 4eme, attended the Lycée Français de Los Angeles (2011-2014), and is currently a student at the University of California, Los Angeles (Bachelor's Degree, Mathematics/Economics, expected 2018)
- **Fiona Piccoli** is a student at the Fashion Institute of Technology (Fashion Merchandising and Marketing) and



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is the CEO of Sugar Tops ([click here](#) to access her website)

- **Tristan van Biema** is a student at Columbia University
- **Homer Vergniaud** is a student at the University of Virginia

Videos of LFNY alumni on the internet:

- [Fiona Piccoli](#) on "How to start your own Clothing Line/ Business!"