

On Friday, July 7, 2017, 50 high school sophomores and staff members from three Assumptionist institutions in South America arrived on the Assumption College campus for a month's immersion program. They hale from Buenos Aires, Argentina Instituto San Roman, Colegio Nuestra Senora de Lourdes), and Bogota, Colombia (Colegio Emmanuel d'Alzon). In addition to daily English classes, the students have an opportunity to visit a number of sites (Boston, several times; NYC; Old Sturbridge Village; Newport, Rhode Island, among others) as well engage in lots of American "things" (shopping, cookouts, a professional baseball game, learning how to make and eat 'smores, etc.).

The exchange program has been expanded to give Assumption College education majors an opportunity to spend time at these schools to hone their teaching skills, especially those interested in teaching Spanish. The program has grown significantly over the years and there is hope of expanding it to other high schools of the Assumption Family in Europe and elsewhere in the world. Students from a high school run by the Religious Sisters of the Assumption in Osaka, Japan, have recently revived their annual summer visits as well.