



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10007

July 10, 2015

Dear Friends:

It is a pleasure to welcome everyone to the Cross Cultural Internship Program's Recognition Ceremony.

As a global city at the center of innovation, New York attracts young people from around the world with its countless opportunities to experience firsthand the unmatched cultural energy that unites and strengthens our communities. Since 2008, the Cross Cultural Internship Program has proudly welcomed international university students to the five boroughs for summer internships at local organizations, preparing them to be leaders in shaping the 21<sup>st</sup> century economy and giving them valuable work-based experience they can use to launch careers. Through a variety of activities, volunteer opportunities, and special visits to some of our most iconic cultural institutions, businesses, and venues, CCIP has fostered the growth of young professionals and empowered them to succeed. I applaud FUSIA Communications for continuing to lead this outstanding program, and I look forward to the ways its participants will promote cross-cultural exchange throughout our global community in the years ahead.

On behalf of the City of New York, please accept my best wishes for a wonderful evening and continued success.

Sincerely,

Bill de Blasio  
Mayor