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Simon's Rock Alum Chazlee Myers '12 Awarded Fulbright to Teach English in Italy

GREAT BARRINGTON—Simon's Rock alum Chazlee Myers '12 was awarded an [English Teaching Assistant \(ETA\) grant by the US-Italy Fulbright Commission](#) to provide assistance to local English teachers in Italy and act as a cultural ambassador for the U.S from October 2022 to June 2023. Myers is one of only ten ETA grant awardees for Italy.

Myers majored in German Studies and Photography at Simon's Rock and studied abroad in Germany at the University of Marburg. While there, she found that German schools already emphasize teaching English as a second language, whereas the emphasis is different in Italy, hence why she selected Italy for her Fulbright.

When Myers begins her position in southern Italy in October 2022, her focus will be on working with at-risk populations, especially young African women and young refugees. Two organizations that she plans to partner with are [Donne di Benin City Palermo](#) and [Refugees Welcome Italia](#). At these organizations, Myers plans to lead events and workshops connected to her other major, photography, so that the people she works with will gain valuable skills for future events. She also plans to host language lessons in the town where she'll teach, as she feels language is one thing we can take with us wherever we go and it invites others to understand who we are and how we think. She is excited to work with these two organizations and help in these important ways.

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