Enabling WIL through International Intensive Units

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In June 2014 a study tour (two week intensive unit) will run in New York City. The tour is for postgraduate communication students and forms the assessment for their work integrated learning (WIL) unit – Professional Practice. The students will be immersed in the New York startup scene while they are working on their projects, ‘a documentary of the new’.

A pilot program will run alongside the study tour. A Diploma of Photoimaging student will accompany the tour as a documentary photographer. The work that they do on the tour is an assessable WIL component of their program. If successful the pilot program will be expanded across RMIT.

This presentation will showcase:
- The highlights of the student projects and experience
- Presentation of student perception: before, during and after the tour
- A commentary on how to provide work integrated learning opportunities to students across different education levels
- The value of providing an international WIL experience through intensive programs
- A discussion about the delivery of an integrated international and WIL experience
- Preparing students to communicate the value of their experience