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Demetriouse Russell, Edinburgh 1987

Profile: Demetriouse Russell

Luard Fellow 1987-1988, Demetriouse Russell is Director, Corporate Relations & Market Development for Harvard Business School Executive Education. He majored in History at Morehouse College, graduating *Phi Beta Kappa* and attended the London School of Economics (LSE) during his Luard year. Demetriouse received an MBA from Harvard Business School and after 20 years in the financial services industry, has returned to his alma mater in his current capacity. Demetriouse is active in numerous community service activities and has received various awards including serving as an Olympic Torch Bearer in 1998. (Continued on Page 2)



Harvard Business School 2011



Left: Voncella McIntosh and Euzahn Collins, Stonehenge 2011

My Junior Year Abroad ESU Luard Scholar 2010-2011 Kings College, London Euzahn Collins

I have a feeling the ESU Luard types I had embraced in the United States. I found the people approachable and interested in my journey. Interacting with the considerable number of study-abroad students, too, added to my understanding of people from countries often glamorized or defamed.

Of course, I was wildly excited to come home to the United States. I am an American and the study-abroad experience enhanced my pride. After living in London though, I see life in America more critically. I am tuned-in to world events and am conscious of how a choice one country makes may affect others. I now see countries for what they truly are: geographical locales; home to unique and valuable people.

My junior year of college was more than I ever expected. Sometimes filled with wonder and excitement and other times stressful and challenging. Days at Kings College opened a world that would have been out of reach without the help of the English Speaking Union. In this new world I, literally, began to see the world. Living and studying with British students corrected stereo-

Euzahn has returned to Howard University and is completing her Senior Year.

Reflections on The Road to the Luard Scholarship By Demetriouse Russell

“Dear Demetriouse, you have been selected as a Finalist ...” — it was promising news. . . . I showed up for my interview in a blue, pin-striped suit that I had bought at a second-hand store for 10 cents. The pants were a little short, but the jacket was a good fit . . . I steeled my nerves and thought of Coach Killilea teaching me how to be calm under pressure. He put our team through drills that the Navy Seals would envy. Now it was my turn to be interviewed, I figured that I had nothing to lose — it was quite an honor just to be chosen as a finalist. I walked into my interview feeling like I was wearing a \$1,000 Brooks Brothers suit. I was relaxed and the ESU Luard Scholarship Committee was warm and inviting...After we had dinner it was time

to announce the winners. I was holding my breath...“Demetriouse Russell.” I couldn't believe it. I don't even remember exhaling. I felt like I was floating. My childhood desire to see the world would finally be fulfilled...After much thoughtful deliberation, I decided to attend the London School of Economics where I studied International History, was captain of the LSE National British Universities and Colleges Basketball Championship team, traveled throughout Europe and set foot on the African continent and kissed the ground, fell in love with Betty Carter at Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club, joined a few clubs, made lasting friendships with other students from around the world, developed a wonderful relationship with Mrs. Yvonne Theobald

who taught me about British culture. But most of all, through the Luard Scholarship and the generosity of the ESU, I was able to fulfill a childhood desire to see the world which has led me to try and give it all back to those who look at a picture book and dream. Thank you! To Read More about Demetriouse's Reflections go to the Luard Scholar Alumni Page on the ESU website. www.esuus.org

PROFILE (Cont. from Page 1) He is a Life Member of the Morehouse College Alumni Association and a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., the American Friends & Alumni Association of the LSE & the British American Business Council of New England. He recently returned from a 2 week study-tour to Israel sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council and Boston Center for Community and Justice.

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