## **COMING TO YOU LIVE FROM GUATEMALA! SPRING 2024**

Meet Natalie, an Educational Studies Major who participated in the faculty-led program to Guatemala in January 2024 'I was able to make connections in Guatemala that I wouldn't have been able to make in the US!'



- Why did you choose Guatemala?
- Guatemala was my first opportunity to study abroad.

  Plus, my grandfather is from Guatemala so I wanted to see first-hand the culture he grew up in.
- Biggest cultural difference?

  -The way they drive! The ever curving dirt roads, the tight spaces between houses, and all the horn honking! Also, how connected they are to their heritage, in their daily dress, their religion, and cusine.



- What was volunteering like in Guatemala?
  - -We volunteered at a local school in Chinique and had the opportunity to talk with local teachers and understand the differences in educational systems between Guatemala and the US.

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