

A young man with dark hair and a bright smile is taking a selfie. He is wearing a light blue shirt and a grey backpack. His sunglasses are perched on his head. The background is a vibrant, sunlit landscape with a winding dirt path that leads into a dense forest of green trees and bushes. In the distance, a rocky cliff face is visible under a blue sky with scattered white clouds.

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**Krishna Thenappan** '16, shown high above the treetops, joined 25 Austin College students and Professor Patrick Duffey for study in the Dominican Republic in January Term 2015. The class members were totally immersed in culture—exploring food, dance, music, and everyday life in addition to daily language studies in Spanish through Ibero-American University in Santo Domingo. Students lived with host families in Santo Domingo and Punta Cana, gaining further awareness of daily life. During afternoon and weekend excursions, they explored more about the nation and visited many points of interest, including a sugar cane plantation, the Church of San Dionisio, the Basilica Museum, and the dunes at Bani.

Krishna is majoring in economics with a minor in biology and leadership studies, with a pre-medical focus. The 2015 student body president, Krishna is active in many campus organizations and has participated in Alternative Spring Break and other volunteer programs of the campus Service Station. This summer, he received an Austin College Global Outreach Fellowship that allowed him to serve and learn in a medical clinic in Thailand. Krishna plans to become a family practice physician and to start a rural medical camp in honor of his grandfather in the village his family is from in India.

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