Dr. Rand German, Associate Dean, says he’s “travelled out.” That’s because in 2010 he travelled extensively, in some months averaging a trip a week! He receives invitations from all corners of the world to speak and to consult – often many more than he could possibly accommodate. In the Spring 2010 semester he represented SDSU in Egypt on an NSF grant to collaborate on a project in Cairo, was awarded Honorary Membership in the Korean Powder Metallurgy Institute in Korea, and had a Chinese company pay for him to travel to and give a seminar in China. During the Fall semester he travelled to Florence, Italy to give a talk at an International Congress, to South Africa to lecture on sintering and witness sintering of diamond, and to the Galapagos Islands in Ecuador for a personal vacation. In addition, he has made numerous trips to various U.S. and Canadian destinations.

Dr. German is a world-renowned expert in sintering concepts with 999 lifetime publications, and about 75 since joining SDSU in 2008. As such, his expertise is sought by colleagues and professionals worldwide. His best piece of travel advice - always try the local cuisine!