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Friday, April 15th

For application information, please contact Ms. Rebecca Pugh, OIP Program Assistant, at rjpugh@noctrl.edu.

NCC Welcomes Back Intercultural Learning Expert

On April 18 and 19, North Central College will welcome back to campus Mr. Arnd Wächter, Founder and Managing Director of Crossing Borders Education, Crossing Borders Films and Morocco Exchange. In response to 9/11, Mr. Wachter started creating immersion programs in Morocco, going on to direct a trilogy of films that has won several awards. The third film in the trilogy will be screened Monday, April 18 (see details below).

Mr. Wächter has been working with European and American universities to set up programs and courses designed to develop and improve cross-cultural and inter-racial dialogue. He will be meeting with faculty, staff and students during his two-day visit. A complete schedule will be published in Week Three; for more details, please contact Jack Shindler at jhshindler@noctrl.edu or at 630-637-5287.

Globalization Focus: Spring Term 2015 Events

The Office of International Programs is pleased to announce the spring events for the second year of our Globalization focus.

American Textures: A Documentary

Monday, April 18, 7:00-9:00pm in Smith Hall, Old Main

Arnd Wächter, film director and founder of Crossing Borders, returns to campus to show and discuss this third film in his trilogy. The film follows the journey of six students of black, white, and Latino origins, as they confront issues of discrimination in the USA.



Surahbi: An Evening of World Fusion Music

Wednesday, April 27, 6:30-8:30pm in Meiley-Swallow Theatre

Surabhi is a world fusion ensemble with Indian, African, Arabic, and Spanish flamenco influences, creating new music and dance groove pieces as well as performing traditional materials. The evening will include flamenco music and Afro rhythms woven into the rich sounds of Indian classical ragas embellished with blues and folk melodies.

Globalization: A Colloquium

Thursday, May 5, 6:30-8:45pm in upper WAC This annual culminating event for each year of our globalization series will feature an opening talk by Fulbright Scholar-in-Residence, Dr. Maha Mourad, from the American University in Cairo. The evening will continue with several break-out sessions led by international students, faculty, and other students who have engaged in research on globalization in various classes. Participants will choose from among three different sessions presented at half-hour intervals from 7 until 8:45 pm.

Experiencing Middle Eastern Cultures in Chicago

Saturday, May 14, 9:00am-5:00pm (students meet at train station at 9:00am)

This special Verandah experience will take students to Chicago's Hyde Park neighborhood to visit the Oriental Institute, enjoy a Lebanese lunch, and visit a mosque. Professors Esra Tasdelen and Jack Shindler will be leading the group, and interested students should e-mail one of them to enroll.

Altars By the Lake: A Documentary Film

Monday, May 23, 7:00-9:00pm in Smith Hall, Old Main

Co-sponsored by the department of sociology and anthropology, this evening features a docuentary that examines religious continuity and change in San Lucas Tolimán, Guatemala. Kaqchikel Maya practitioners and cultural activists discuss the history and meaning of two sacred spaces in their community. This screening is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Donald McVicker, professor emeritus of anthropology, who taught at North Central College from 1973 to 1999.

Pancakes Around the World Brunch April 17

This year marks the 18th anniversary of international students and International Club members serving pancakes from around the world to the Naperville community. This year's pancakes include Vietnamese, Kenyan, Korean, Swedish, Turkish, Japanese, French, German, American and many more varieties. All proceeds of this event go directly to international

student and study abroad scholarships.

Location

We hope you will join us this year on Sunday, April 17th, from 12-1:30 pm, at Community United Methodist Church, 20 N. Center St., Naperville, IL 60540.

Tickets

Children under the age of three eat free! Tickets for other attendees cost \$7 or \$3 for NCC students.. Tickets are now being sold around campus by members of the International Club, and are also available in the Office of International Programs (Abe House). For more information contact OIP at (630) 637-5132.

Study Abroad Update

Applications for 2016-17 NCC Study Abroad programs are in, and we are pleased to announce that we have 103 outstanding students enrolled in 25 programs this coming fall.

Applications for SIROL programs are still being accepted, but here is where our students are going:

NCC-in-China/Japan: with Prof. Jason Rice

NCC-in-Costa Rica: with Prof. Elizabeth Bracken

NCC-in-England: Canterbury Christ Church University

Australia: La Trobe University, Macquarie University

Chile: Universidad Viña del Mar

China: Beijing Language and Culture University, Shanghai University of Finance & **Economics**

England: University of Birmingham, University of Leicester, University of Sunderland

France: Université Catholique de l'Ouest

Germany: Universität Heidelberg

Ghana: University of Ghana

Greece: DEREE, The American College of

Greece

Ireland: University of Limerick

Italy: Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore

2016-2017 at a glance! 103 students 25 programs 18 countries

Japan: Aoyama Gakuin University, Iwate University, Kanda University of International Studies, Kyoto Gakuen University, Nagoya Gakuin University

Scotland: University of Dundee,

University of Glasgow

Spain: Universidad Pablo de Olavide

Sweden: Linnaeus University

Taiwan: Tunghai University

Thank you for supporting our students as they prepare to study abroad!

Welcome!

North Central College welcomes one new international students to campus

Ms. Paraskevi Tsapara (Greece)

and four students have matriculated from the ELI

Mr. Jinyu Guo (China) Mr. Kotaro Komori (Japan) Mr. Petro Gonzaga Mithuzi (Malawi) Mr. Badr Osaylan (Saudi Arabia)

Thursday, June 2: International Student Farewell Party (BBQ), 5pm at Abe House

For further details on club meetings and events, please contact Jesús Velasco, International Student Advisor (x5299), or either club Co-President: Marie Butnariu and Enrique Velasco-Sanchez.



International Club Update

International Club is not a club for only international students; all NCC students are encouraged to join!

International Club meeting dates for spring term are as follows:

Meeting 1: Thursday, April 7th Meeting 2: Thursday, April 21st Meeting 3: Thursday, May 5th Meeting 4: Thursday, May 19th Meeting 5: Thursday, June 2nd

Meetings are held in upper WAC from 5:30-6:30 pm.

Spring 2016 International Club Events

Sunday, April 17: International Pancake Brunch, 12-1:30 pm, Community United Methodist Church, 20 N. Center St., Naperville

Tuesday, May 10: International Lunch at Tabor Hills, 9am-2pm, Tabor Hills Retirement Community (Community Service) Thursday, May 19: Irish Fest: Celebrating Irish Culture, 6-8 pm, upper WAC

Sunday, May 22: Six Flags Great America, 9 am-6 pm, depart from Abe House

D-Term Study Abroad 2016: Courses, Deposits, Deadlines

The College is offering 11 courses during December Term 2016. Three of these courses fulfill the All-College Requirement for intercultural study (designation GLS 362). Most courses will remain open until May 15; others will remain open through August.

China

(GLS 260-D3, 3.0 credits)
A Journey to the Great Wall
Profs. B. Hoffert & J. Sun

France

(GLS 160-D1, 3.0 credits)

A Journey Through the History of France
Prof. N. Bard

Germany

(GLS 362-D1, 3.0 credits, ACR-Intercultural)

Castles, Cathedrals and Culture: A Tour through Luther's Germany

Prof. G. Wolf



Deposits for all D-term courses abroad due:

Monday, April 8th

Greece & Italy—Business

(GLS 362-D2, 3.0 credits, ACR-Intercultural Greece, Italy, and the European Union Prof. R. Moussetis

Greece & Italy—Theatre

(GLS 260-D5, 3.0 credits)

Ancient Roman and Greek Drama

Prof. C. Silkaitis

Italy

(GLS 362-D3, 3.0 credits, ACR-Intercultural)

Art and Memory in Italy: Classical Antiquity to the Present

Profs. M. de Brauw & C. Rabenold

Japan

(GLS 260-D4, 3.0 credits)

Super Express: Japanese History, Society, and
Culture

Prof. F. Matsubara

Photo (left): North Central students on a d-term course abroad in Spain with Prof. Jelena Sanchez and Jesús Velasco, International Student Advisor.

London

(GLS 260-D2, 3.0 credits)

Pestilence, Plague, and Fountain of Youth

Prof. M. Gill

Morocco

(GLS 260-D1, 3.0 credits)

Morocco: Transformation and Tradition

Profs. M. Berkland & S. Hand

Spain

(GLS 160-D2, 3.0 credits)

Discovering Historical and Cultural Treasures

Prof. J. Sanchez

Ireland

(MGT 690-D1, 3.0 credits, graduate students only)

Graduate Study in Ireland

Prof. V. Vracheva

Need more information?

Please, contact the faculty member(s) listed for each course. For more information on all D-Term options and to register, please contact Ms. Rebecca Pugh at rjpugh@noctrl.edu or call (630) 637-5132.

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English Language Institute

The ELI matriculated four students into undergraduate coursework for the spring 2016 term and welcomed seven new students. Currently, the ELI is serving 11 full-time and three part-time students from seven different countries: Saudi Arabia, Vietnam, China, Taiwan, Lithuania, Ecuador, and India.

Peer Mentoring Program

The ELI is excited to launch a Swing Grant funded peer mentoring program in spring 2016 that will connect ELI students with NCC students and the community to foster relationships among students and promote intercultural communication.

Summer at the ELI

ELI staff members are already preparing for summer programming. The ELI will run an eight-week academic term in July and August, a three-week Summer Language Academy for high school students, and a three-week immersion experience in August.

The ELI will be looking to hire NCC students who have strong leadership skills, second language abilities, and experience living abroad to serve as counselors during the summer. The position is already posted on the NCC student employment site.

Welcome!

North Central College welcomes seven new ELI students to campus:

Ms. Manal Aldossari (Saudi Arabia)
Ms. Shrouq Alshamrani (Saudi Arabia)
Mr. Abdulelah Jabarti (Saudi Arabia)
Ms. Khanh Le (Vietnam)
Mr. Joseph Rizzo Sierra (Ecuador)
Mr. Wenxuan Yao (China)

Interested students should contact Kate Pope, ELI Director, at (630) 637-5271.

Winners: Study Abroad Photo Contest 2015-2016

This year's first, second, and third place winners for the *People* and *Places* categories for the Study Abroad Photo Contest go to:

Thank you to art faculty and staff for judging this contest. To see winners of previous years, please visit https://northcentralcollege.edu/academics/international-programs/photo-contest.

1st Place *People* Category *A Tibetan Nomad* by Anna Mancl, who studied at Beijing Language and Culture University in Beijing, China.



1st Place *Places* Category *Fountaines de la Concorde* by Xanic Lopez, who studied at University of Sunderland in Sunderland, England.



2nd Place *People* Category *Isravele:* L'*ermita della chiesa* by Haley Rhew, who studied at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore in Milan, Italy.



2nd Place Places Category

Sunset on the Marina, Pacific

Ocean by Marcel Mundt, who
studied on the NCC-in-Costa
Rica program.



3rd Place *People* Category *Jordanian Relics*by Hayley Cloyd, who studied at Qasid Arabic Institute in Amman, Jordan.



3rd Place *Places* Category *City of Light—Brussels* by

Daniel Rotolo, who studied at

Universität Heidelberg in

Heidelberg, German.

