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A NOTE FROM THE DEAN

Welcome to the premiere edition of the UF International Center Newsletter! We will periodically issue this electronic publication to highlight current international activities on the campus. We will also use this newsletter as a vehicle for spotlighting the significant contributions of units across the campus to the internationalization agenda of the University. In this premiere edition, we feature the full spectrum of activities planned to celebrate International Education Week, November 14 to 19.

The University of Florida International Center (UFIC) is the lead interface for a broad array of activities that link the University of Florida to the world outside of the UF campus. The UFIC staff is positioned to support the full array of core missions of the university, including internationalization of the educational mission, globalization of the research/discovery mission, and stretching the outreach/service mission to the world beyond the state and nation. Many legal, immigration, and visa support services essential for the presence of international individuals on this campus would not happen without UFIC. In the globalized environment in which we reside, a world class institution such as the University of Florida is necessarily and proactively tied to the outside world. UFIC helps assure that this tie to the world beyond our borders happens, working hand in hand with faculty, students, and staff across the campus. In a very real sense this is YOUR newsletter!

David J. Sammons, Dean UF International Center

ABOUT INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

International Education Week (IEW) was established by the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education to promote awareness and visibility for the growing global context of higher education in the United States. The University of Florida is proud to be a part of this event, taking place this year during the period November 15-19. With almost 5,000 international students from over 100 different countries, nearly 2000 international scholars and faculty on campus, and over 2,000 students who study abroad in over 50 countries, UF is a proud promoter of international education, scholarship and understanding.

The University of Florida International Center (UFIC) will be leading the campus celebration of International Education Week during the period November 14 to 19. This year's theme, "Making Global Connections," will feature a wide array of activities for the UF community to participate in, enjoy, and learn. The goal of this year's celebration is to highlight the many existing opportunities available for international engagement on campus and around the world, and to create a better sense of understanding in our global community.

ON-GOING EVENTS

October 4 - November 19 Edgar Heap of Birds Exhibit at University Gallery

October 25 - December 3 National Library of Medicine's traveling exhibit: "Rewriting the Book of Nature: Charles Darwin and the Rise of Evolutionary Theory" at Health Science Center Library

November 15 - 19 Global Art K-12 Exhibition at Education Library, Marston Science Library, Criser Cancer Resource Center in the Shands Center Hospital, Tigert Hall (2nd Floor)

November 15 - 19 Display of award winning foreign authors' books at Library West, 3rd Floor

November 15 - December 3 Global Photo Competition Exhibit at Grinter Gallery

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK HIGHLIGHTS

International Week 2010 Kick Off A brief opening ceremony to highlight IEW activities and opportunities, featuring a Mini-Concert by the Africa Choir in the Hub Lobby.

Global Connections Raffle

International Educator of the Year Award Ceremony This event will recognize the faculty who have gone above and beyond in their efforts to bring a global perspective onto campus. Join us in Keene Faculty Center, Dauer Hall.

Twice a day, 5 tickets will be chosen to win various prizes in the International Center Lobby! They will also be entered in the grand finale raffle at the end of the week where two students will win a \$150 voucher good for study abroad programs!

ISS Awards Ceremony

"University of Florida's NGO/PVO Day: Extending International Collaboration and Networking" This event will take place in the Reitz Union

Grand Ballroom to recognize international students who excel in their academic performance, research and community involvement.

This event is an opportunity to increase UF faculty and students' awareness of non-profits and private voluntary organizations in the international development field. The event is featured with expert panels on current topics of international importance, networking sessions for faculty and career information fair for students. The event anticipates +20 national and international non-profit and for-profit organizations visiting UF campus. Join us all day on Friday, November 19 in the Reitz Union, Auditorium and Grand Ballroom Salon A and E.



IEW CALENDAR OF EVENTS

EVERYDAY

10:30 am Coffee & UF Around the World at The Hub Lobby

12:00 pm & 4:30 pm Global Connections Raffle at the International Center lobby

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14

10:00 am - 3:00pm VISA World Cup Soccer Tournament at Flavet Field

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15

10:15 am Kick Off & Mini-Concert featuring Africa Choir at the Hub Lobby

12:30 pm - 4:15 pm
"Transforming Education
through Global Engagement"
(College of Education)
at Terrace Room, Norman Hall

3:00 pm Global Photo Competition Reception at UF Grinter Gallery

3:00 pm From 'Commune' to International Community at UF Library East 1A

7:00 pm VISA Meeting & Game Night



TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16

1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Making it Global: Students Discuss Outreach Trips at Health Science Center Library, Room C2-41a

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
"Reading Around the World"
at Plaza of the Americas

3:30 pm International Educator of the Year Award Ceremony at Keene Faculty Center, Dauer Hall

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm VISA Bowling Tournament at the Reitz Union Game Room

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17

10:00 am - 2:00 pm International Fair at Plaza of the Americas

11:00 am - 12:00 pm Galapagos Travelogue at Health Science Center Library, Room C2-41a

11:45 am - 12:45 pm Through their Eyes: Perspectives Across Cultural Boundaries at the International Center, Room 145

2:00 pm - 4:00 pm Film: "A day without a Mexican" at Library East - Latin American Collections (LAC) – 4th Floor

3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Panel on International Education at Reitz Union, Room 282 Lecture Hall

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm VISA Potluck at Weaver Beach

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18

10:00 am - 12:00 pm Study Abroad and Peace Corps Mini Fair at the Hub Lobby

1:55 pm - 2:45 pm Peace Corps Info Session at International Center, Room 145

3:45 pm - 4:55 pm Study Abroad Info Session at International Center, Room 145

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Fulbright Program Info Session for Students at Marston Science Library, Room 107

5:30 pm ISS Awards Ceremony at Grand Ballroom, Reitz Union

7:30 pm Lecture: Collecting and Reading in the Early Chinese Print Age at Smathers Library, Room 1A

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 19

9:00 am - 5:00 pm
"University of Florida's
NGO/PVO Day: Extending
International Collaboration
and Networking"
at the Reitz Union, Auditorium
and Grand Ballroom Salon A
& E

7:00 pm - 11:00 pm VISA Poker Night at Tanglewood Apartments

For a detailed calendar of events, visit www.ufic.ufl.edu