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International Activities at SUNY Cortland

Democratization in Eastern Europe and Central Asia 25 Years On

Lecture by Vera Axyonova, PhD, Fulda University

Organized by: Clark Center for International Education, International Studies Program, Project on Eastern and Central Europe, Department of Political Science, International Programs Office, Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Committee, Center for Gender and Intercultural Studies, Political Science Student Association

Event funded by a generous grant from the Campus Artist and Lecture Series Committee



Date: March 4th @ 4:30PM
Location: Moffett 2125

Dr. Vera Axyonova is a researcher at Fulda University's Centre for Intercultural and European Studies as well as Brussels-based Europe-Central Asia Monitoring Program. Her talk will explore the process of democratization in Central and Eastern European countries, as well as in Central Asian countries in the aftermath of the fall of Communism in 1989 and the disintegration of the Soviet Union in 1991.

Studying Abroad in Germany

Undergraduate Study Abroad and Graduate Opportunities (MA, PhD) in Germany

Presentation by Vera Axyonova, Fulda University & Hugh Anderson, International Programs Office, SUNY Cortland

Organized by: Clark Center for International Education, International Studies Program, Project on Eastern and Central Europe, Department of Political Science, International Programs Office, Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Committee, Center for Gender and Intercultural Studies, Political Science Student Association

Are you an undergraduate or graduate student who is curious about studying abroad? Would you like to learn more about German culture, language, and customs? Well here is your chance to hear about SUNY Cortland's partnership with Fulda University directly from a Fulda representative visiting our campus. Come to this talk to get a sense of what this opportunity would mean for you financially, educationally and otherwise!



Date: March 4th, 11:30-12:30
Location: Old Main Colloquium

This talk showcases the strong bond that SUNY Cortland maintains with its partners abroad. Vera Axyonova will be on hand, along with Cortland Study Abroad Advisor Hugh Anderson, to highlight what studying at Fulda and graduate studies (MA, PhD) in Germany have to offer to you. This opportunity to discuss a program directly with a representative of that campus is a rare chance students should take advantage of!

Cross-Cultural Miscommunication Panel Discussion

This event is comprised of six panelists, including four international students, who will describe first-hand accounts of cross-cultural misunderstandings

Organized by: the Institute for Civic Engagement, the International Programs Office, and the Clark Center for International Education

The discussion is intended to help identify different ways in which culture complicates communication. As business, sports and education spheres are becoming increasingly globalized, such considerations to communication are increasingly important.

Previous discussions have identified sources of misunderstandings that resulted from contrasting concepts of time, differing understandings of historical events, protocol customs, and various meanings of the same words – in countries that speak the same language.



Date: March 5th@ 4:30pm
Location: Moffett 2125

Moderator:

Dr. John Suarez, Coordinator, Office of Service-Learning

Panelists:

Alexandru Balas is Director of the Clark Center for International Education

Banu Bozkurt (Turkey) is majoring in Business Economics

Camila Silva Caldas (Brazil) is majoring in Physics

Chunyu Fu (China) is a graduate student majoring in English Education

Ludmila Guedes Almeida (Brazil) is a Chemistry major

David Paulino is an International Studies major

Cortland Study Abroad Promoters (CSAP)

Give 5 minutes of class time for a Study Abroad presentation

The CSAP program is built around promoting and educating students of Study Abroad programs, not only those here in Cortland but also the many opportunities via other SUNY schools and institutions. One of the many ways we promote

study abroad is by visiting classrooms and presenting our own study abroad experiences and discussing with students the many options and opportunities there are to study abroad. Please consider donating a short period of your class time and have a returned study abroad student describe the amazing opportunities and benefits that studying abroad can offer.

Please contact Melanie Figueroa at Melanie.figueroa@cortland.edu to schedule a CSAP presenter for your class!

Study Abroad in Ghana this Summer

Program Faculty-led by Dr. Seth Asumah

This once-in-a-lifetime educational opportunity will consist of participation in a tour of cultural, economic, historical and educational locations while in Ghana. The Program involves the creation of a log and journal during the trip that is used for the completion of a reflection/term paper about the experience upon return to the US. Students earn six credits towards graduation as well as the chance to gain the valuable experience of being a world traveler.

For more information about the program requirements, application components and costs, please make an appointment in the International Programs Office or visit their website.

International Activities in the Area

"The Israeli-Palestinian Peace Process: More of the Same or is there Reason for Hope?"

Lecture by Dr. Gershon Baskin

Organized by: The Maxwell School, Syracuse University



Dr. Baskin is a leading authority on Jewish-Arab relations. He served as Co-director and founder of the Israel/Palestine Center for Research and Information (IPCRI) and was the person responsible for the secret back channel negotiations between Israel and Hamas that resulted in the release of abducted Israeli soldier Gilad Schalit as well as Palestinian prisoners. The lecture will be followed by a Q & A session.

Date: March 4th from 7-9PM

Location: 304 Shine Hall - Syracuse University Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs

"America: Empire or Umpire, and At What Cost?"

Lecture by Dr. Elizabeth Cobbs Hoffman

Sponsored by the Einaudi Center for International Studies



Professor Elizabeth Cobbs Hoffman currently holds the Dwight E. Stanford Chair in U.S. Foreign Relations at San Diego State University. Her research interests include U.S., European, Third World, and

Date: March 6th @ 4:30 pm

Location: Lewis Auditorium
Goldwin Smith Hall -
Cornell University

Latin American history. In 2012-2013, Professor Cobbs Hoffman held her third fellowship at Stanford's Hoover Institution for War, Revolution, and Peace, where she completed a new history of American foreign relations entitled *American Umpire*. In it she questions the idea that the United States is an empire, and argues instead that America has more often played the role of umpire since 1776.

Call for Conference Presenters

Intercultural Horizons 2014: Currents in Community Development, Civic Engagement, and Intercultural Competence

Sponsored by: SUNY Geneseo and Siena Italian Studies

Session Proposal Due Date: May 31, 2014

The conference committee is requesting sessions that will offer diverse, engaging experiences as well as resources for academics and professionals interested in advancing intercultural competence in their institutions and beyond.

An opportunity for an exchange of best practices and creative ideas, this conference provides direct networking with influential individuals representing a wide range of organizations, including international educators, leaders in community development, and global partners in civic engagement in the public and private sector.

To read the full Call for Proposals and learn more about the conference, please visit: www.interculturalhorizons.com

Download the full Call for Proposals:
http://www.geneseo.edu/webfm_send/8897

Internships, Grants & Fellowship Announcements

International Development Internship – Women's Empowerment and Youth Development

Summer 2014 Internship Opportunity in Middle East

Deadline: March 13, 2014

Do you have a desire to gain professional experience abroad? Would a summer placement in Palestine working with a non-profit NGO suit your area of interest? If so, Tomorrow's Youth Organization is recruiting highly qualified and motivated interns with an aptitude for community development, women's empowerment through education, and youth programming.

Tomorrow's Youth
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TYO interns will work full-time with local and international staff. Interns will implement programs for women entrepreneurs, university students and youth from refugee camps and other marginalized areas of the Nablus community. Each intern will develop and implement their own creative lesson plans through the session

What are the benefits?

- Interns receive the on-the-ground experience of working in Palestine
- A chance to develop professional experience work in the non-profit sector with a reputable American NGO
- Interns will develop Monitoring and Evaluation plans for the class as well as learn valuable reporting and blog-writing techniques

Who should apply?

- Native English speaker ***(Applicants who are not native English speakers will not be considered)***
- Proven ability to work

as well as informally acting as a liaison between TYO and the local community.

For more information about this exciting opportunity, please visit the International Development Internship listing

independently as well as perform as a member of a team

- Commitment to TYO's non-political, non-religious approach
- Creativity and positive energy for making a difference.
- Excellent communication and interpersonal skills
- Maturity, flexibility, initiative, perseverance and a good sense of humor given the challenging nature of daily life in Nablus

Peacebuilders Fellowship

The Center for Conflict Studies is calling for graduate students seeking experience in water conflict regions

Deadline: March 15, 2014

In keeping with the mission of the Center, the goal of the Peacebuilders Fellowship is to give a voice to the voiceless. Fellows will spend around **2 months in a conflict zone and collect stories of people who have experienced conflict**. The hope is that the individual stories will give a face to a "distant" conflict, providing

empirical knowledge which in turn will empower people to act.

For more information, visit the Center for Conflict Studies' website.

For the year 2014, CCS will be focusing on water conflicts and the Peacebuilders Fellowship will emphasize the gathering of stories of individuals who are stakeholders in a water conflict. The four countries for study are:

1) Burma
2) Mexico
3) Ethiopia
4) Palestine (West Bank)

Fellows are expected to be in the field for 8-10 weeks in the period between June 1 and August 15.

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK)

Graduate Scholarship Program for International Students

Deadline: April 12, 2014

TUBITAK grants scholarships for international students seeking to pursue a graduate degree in Turkey. The scholarship covers fields of Natural Sciences, Engineering and Technological Sciences, Medical Sciences, Agricultural Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities.

Eligibility Information for TUBITAK can be found here

The scholarship will consist of:

- A monthly stipend of 1.500 Turkish Liras (TL) for MSc/MA students
- A monthly stipend of 1.800 Turkish Liras (TL) for PhD students
- Tuition Fee (up to 2.000 Turkish Liras)
- A monthly allowance for health insurance coverage for the award holder only.
- Maximum duration for the scholarship is 2 years for the Masters and 4 years for the PhD program.
- All scholarship awardees that successfully complete a Master's program will be rewarded scholarship for a PhD program on the condition that they are admitted to a program at a Turkish University.

TUBITAK Fellowships for visiting scholars and academic staff on sabbatical

Take advantage of a TUBITAK Fellowship and spend your sabbatical at one of SUNY Cortland's Turkish partners: Anadolu University or Izmir University of Economics

Deadline: Ongoing (last working day of each month)

Target group: Scholars and academic staff who wish to research or teach in Turkey. Benefits include a monthly stipend of up to $3500 U.S., travel costs, and health insurance. The maximum duration for the fellowship is 12 months.
For more information about TUBITAK scholarships click here.

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