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Message from the Director

Hello everyone and welcome to the Spring 2015 semester!

This semester the Clark Center for International Education and other internationalization initiatives on campus have prepared a large number of international events. For example, there will be a panel discussing the Islamic State, a film series about post-World War II, a cultural miscommunication panel, and many-many other events that we hope you'll attend. Please follow the International Education Newsletter and the Facebook page of the Clark Center for International Education to find out about these events.

Starting with this issue of the International Education Newsletter, we will also feature short reviews of foreign films that are available through the Memorial Library at SUNY Cortland. There are approximately 160 foreign films in the library from about 50 countries. Everyone on campus has access to these films. We would like to encourage everyone to expand their cinematic experience by watching films from different parts of the world.

Have a great semester,
Alexandru Balas
Director, Clark Center for International Education

International Events at SUNY Cortland

“Becoming a Conscious Community: Columbus Day #howisthisathing"

Sponsored by: La Familia Latina



Date: February 9th @ 9:30 a.m.-2:50 p.m.

Location: Next to The Bookmark in Memorial Library, SUNY Cortland

For more information about the event “Becoming a Conscious Community” please go here.

“A group of SUNY Cortland students and faculty will hold a “teach-in” about the historical legacy of Christopher Columbus next to The Bookmark in Memorial Library from 9 a.m. to 2:50 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 9.

“Becoming Conscious Community: Columbus Day #HowIsThisAThing” was organized by La Familia Latina, a Latino cultural student organization, in response to a mural painted on the windows of The Bookmark last fall in celebration of Columbus Day. The painting mistakenly combined images of Columbus’ ships with traditional Thanksgiving sentiments in what some students felt was symptomatic of widespread misunderstanding about Columbus.

Although Columbus is celebrated as the first European to “discover” the New World in 1492, Vikings from Iceland actually traveled to North America hundreds of

years earlier. Columbus' first expedition to the Caribbean is enshrined as a federal holiday in the United States, yet his journeys were marked by violence, exploitation and the enslavement of native populations." (SUNY Cortland)

Germany Year Zero (1948), "Rubble Films: Classics of Post-1945 European Cinema. A 2014-2015 Film Series"

Sponsored by: The Department of History and the Project on Eastern and Central Europe



Date: Tuesday, February 10 @ 7pm

Location: Sperry Room 104

Germany Year Zero (1948) is the concluding chapter of Robert Rossellini's New-Realist War Trilogy and is the most devastating: it is a portrait of an obliterated Berlin, seen through the eyes of a twelve-year-old-boy. Living in a bombed-out apartment building with his sick father and two older siblings, young Edmund is mostly left to wander unsupervised, getting ensnared in the black-market schemes of a group of teenagers and coming under the nefarious influence of a Nazi-sympathizing ex-teacher. *Germany Year Zero* (Deutschland im Jahre Null) is a daring, gut-wrenching look at the consequences of fascism, for

society and the individual. *(Description from Criterion website)*

"Food Fight! When Genetic Engineering Makes Sense for Agricultural Sustainability"

Lecture by Dr. Steven Broyes, Professor of Biological Sciences, Department Chair of the Biological Sciences Department, SUNY Cortland

Part of the Brooks Museum 2014-2015 Lecture Series: Culture, Technology, and Sustainability

The Brooks Museum Lecture Series is sponsored by a grant from ASC and the Cortland College Foundation



Date: February 11th@4:30 p.m.

During this upcoming Brooks Museum Lecture, Dr. Broyles will be discussing about the issues that are associated with the production of genetically modified food. This lecture will explore the scientific evidence regarding the safety of genetically modified foods and the arguments for their role in the sustainability of global food provision.

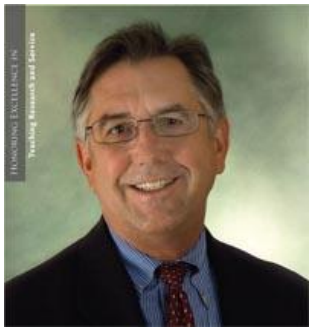
Location: Moffett 2125

Morocco in the 21st Century: One Person's Perspective

Lecture by Richard Kendrick, Director Institute for Civic Engagement; Professor, Department of Sociology-Anthropology, SUNY Cortland

Event part of the Black History Month 2015

Sponsored by: Affirmative Action Committee, Office of the Provost, Office of the President, Office of the Dean of Arts & Sciences, Vice President for Student Affairs, Multicultural Life, Health Promotion Office, Health Department, Center for Gender & Intercultural Studies, Sociology-Anthropology Department, Sport Management Department, Black Student Union, Department of Political Science, CALS, Communication Studies Department, and the Department of Africana Studies.



Date: February 11th @ 12:30 p.m.

Location: Brockway Hall, Jacobus Lounge

Cross-Cultural Miscommunication: A Panel and Audience Discussion

Sponsored by: SUNY Cortland's Institute for Civic Engagement, Clark Center for International Education, and International Programs Office



Date: February 18@4-5:30 P.M.

Location: Corey Union Exhibition Lounge

For more information about the Cross-Cultural Miscommunication please click here.

Michaela Auer, a childhood/early childhood education major and former volunteer tutor in the Costa Rica winter immersion program

Michelle Boulbol, a childhood/early childhood education major and volunteer tutor in the Costa Rica winter immersion program

Mona Ivey-Soto, a SUNY Cortland assistant professor of childhood/early childhood education

Marilyn Mayer, a fifth-grade teacher in the Ithaca City School District

Ashley Miller, a teaching English as a second language major and tutor in

multicultural classrooms in the Syracuse City School District

Peter Reyes, principal of Barry Elementary School in Cortland

Amoreena Telleache, a fifth-grade teacher at Virgil Elementary School, and a partner in the Childhood/Early Childhood Education Department's "Flourishing Teachers; Flourishing Students" service-learning community.

International Activities in the SUNY Cortland Area

"Health and Social Activism of Self-Identified Gay Men in Postsocialist China"

Lecture by: Tiantian Zheng, Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology; Coordinator, Asian/Middle Eastern Studies, SUNY Cortland

Sponsored: East Asia Program, Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University

Professor Zheng will be presenting her research discussing gay men in Northeast China. Professor Zheng



says her paper will address "the ways in which these self-identified gay men cope with the hostile social environment through consciously shifting identities between the public and the private."

Date: February 23rd @ 4:30 p.m.

Location: Cornell University, Rockefeller 115

Fellowship, Grant, Scholarship & Internship Announcements

Hansen Summer Institute on Leadership and International Cooperation

The Hansen Summer Institute on Leadership and International Cooperation will be taking place from June 29th through July 20th 2015 at the University of San Diego. This exciting program will host applicants from all over the world to form an international community of young scholars in an effort to obtain a common and practical understanding of a more peaceful future. The application deadline for this program is February 16th. To learn more about this exciting opportunity please click here

Intern in a Laboratory or Study in Germany!

Scholarships Available!
Deadlines: February 15th for Fall 2015

Selected students will receive a scholarship from the German government to study at a UAS7 Germany university of Applied Sciences for a semester, intern in a laboratory for 2-6 months, or do both. Activities are conducted in English, and previous German language study is not required; however, participants will have the opportunity to study German during their program session.

The application deadline for Fall 2015 will be February 15, 2015. For more information, please visit http://www.uas7.org/scholarships.html , or contact Mary Schlarb in the International Programs Office (Tel: 753-2209).

Foundation for Sustainable Development Abroad

Deadline: Rolling

The Foundation for Sustainable Development Abroad is an internship program that allows students and young adults to gain experience in international development training. The length of the internship is flexible and can be as little as 9 weeks and as long as a full year. FSD has internship opportunities in 10 sites over 6 countries! There are 7 available internship focuses at each site. These focuses

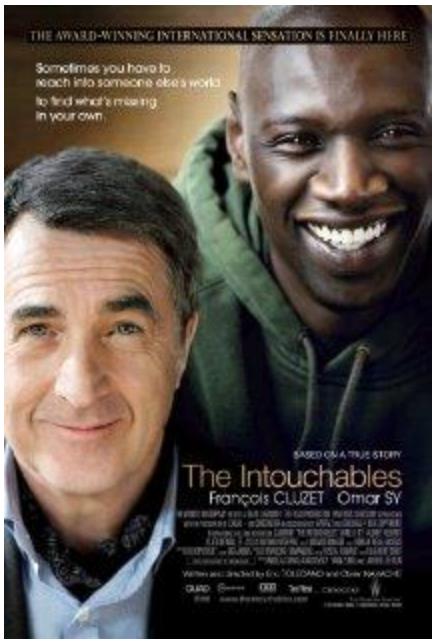
are: Gender Equity, Equal Rights, Youth Development, Economic Development, Community Development, Health, and Environmental Sustainability. For more information about the Foundation for Sustainable Development Network please click here.

Foreign Films @ SUNY Cortland

In this new section, every issue we will recommend a foreign film from the list of foreign films available online through the Memorial Library's portal. There are approximately 160 foreign films in the library from about 50 countries. Everyone on campus has access to these films. We would like to encourage everyone to expand their cinematic experience by watching films from different parts of the world.

The Intouchables (France, 2011)

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To get us started, we have chosen the film ‘The Intouchables”, a blockbuster comedy from France that touches upon issues of race and disability.

“It's the surprise French box office hit of the year: a caustic comedy about a quadriplegic aristocrat and his awkward, black home-help from one of Paris's poor, suburban high-rise ghettoes. Intouchables – or the Untouchables – has confounded French critics who dreaded the possibility of a cliche-ridden, ham-fisted take on the poor suburban "banlieue", race and disability. Instead, the film has been hailed as a masterpiece, and the comedy of the year. It sold 2m tickets in under a week. Paris crowds are queueing around the block and pre-booking tickets. […] After less than a week on cinema screens, the film is already being saluted for revolutionizing how French society views itself. Five years after riots ravaged the high-rise ghettoes and led to a state of national emergency, little has been done to assuage the hopelessness of a generation of young French people ghettoized and marginalized because of their skin

colour or parent's immigrant origins." (The Guardian, 2011)

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