

Atlas Week Event Descriptions 2013

Thursday, April 4

7:00 p.m.

Alison Buchanan Sings the Music of Diversity and Social Justice St. Francis Xavier College Church

Acclaimed soprano Ali Buchanan will sing songs of diversity, social justice, and inclusion at a concert in the College Church on Thursday, April 4, marking the 45th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in Memphis, TN. The musical performance will begin at 7 p.m. and is open to the entire SLU and St. Louis communities.

Cosponsors: African American Studies Program, Department of Fine and Performing Arts, College of Arts and Sciences

Saturday, April 6

1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

RIOT: Assembling Medical Kits for Caregivers in Swaziland, and Encouraging Them Along the Way

***R.S.V.P. Required, Refectory Hall, Dubourg 157**

There are thousands of caregivers in Swaziland caring for family members and people in their communities living with AIDS. Often times these caregivers lack basic but necessary items to prolong lives, comfort the sick, protect themselves, and prevent the spread of infection (like gloves, clean water, wash cloths, etc.). This is the gap we're seeking to fill.

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at SLU is partnering with these caregivers in Swaziland, and World Vision – and we want you to join us! We're going to fundraise for as many caregiver kits as we can. And at our event on April 6th, we're going to get together and assemble every last one of the kits we've raised money for. After that we'll send the kits to a World Vision distribution center where they will be prepared for international shipping and sent away to Swaziland.

So join us on April 6th from 1:00PM-3:00PM as we assemble kits and make a difference in the lives of others! We'll also have a brief presentation and discussion on the intersection of faith and social justice. For more information, please visit: <http://aidsriotstl.wix.com/2013>

Individuals must register in advance at <http://aidsriotstl.storenvy.com>

Sponsor: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship

Monday, April 8

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Stand Up for One Billion People Around the World Campaign: Advocating with Habitat for Humanity Busch Student Center, Table in the North Lobby

Habitat for Humanity emphasizes that advocacy is key to ending substandard housing. Although advocacy seems like a hefty time consuming task, it does not have to be. Engaging those within

the SLU community, anyone passing by in the BSC can come by the "Stand Up for 1 Billion People Around the World Campaign" to learn about the Shelter, Land, and Urban Management (SLUM) Act of 2011, and respond to the rapid development of cities. It does not take much time to send an email to your local representative encouraging them to "stand up for 1 billion people around the world." How can this be accomplished at a table in the BSC? Habitat for Humanity provides a simple electronic form for you to fill out that makes this process possible. By supporting the SLUM Assistance Act we, as the SLU community, can take control and "play a key role in making sure U.S. aid policy addresses this issue head-on".

Sponsor: Habitat for Humanity

12:00 p.m.

Dentistry Around the World

Center for Advanced Dental Education, Ringenberg Lecture Hall, 2031

Dr. Narumol Chongthanavanit, second year graduate orthodontic student from Thailand, will give the presentation for ATLAS Week covering geography, culture, and education in Thailand. Faculty, staff, and students bring foods native to their ethnicity or country to share with everyone at our luncheon from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Sponsor: Center for Advanced Dental Education

12:00 - 12:50 p.m.

A Look at Refugee and Immigrant Health Care in St. Louis

Learning Resource Center, Pitlyk Auditorium A

This event will feature various perspectives on refugee and immigrant health care in Saint Louis. Maria Childress and Nadeen Chapman, the social worker and principal at New American Preparatory Academy, will share their personal experiences on working with children who have recently arrived to Saint Louis and the United States. Many of the children were formerly refugees and have not had access to basic forms of health care. Dr. Ladage, a pediatrician at Cardinal Glennon, will also share her experiences working at the International Adoption clinic.

Sponsor: SLUSOM Global Health Learning Community

12:00 - 1:15 p.m.

Being a More Effective Advocate: A Discussion with Paul Dosh

***R.S.V.P. required, McGannon 144**

Paul Dosh is the co-founder and director of Building Dignity (<http://www.buildingdignity.org>), a non-profit organization dedicated to supporting neighborhood-led development projects in Lima, Peru. He is also a Political Science professor at Macalester College in St. Paul, MN. He will be leading a discussion with students about student advocacy, both in the US and abroad. A light lunch will be served and seating is limited, so RSVP is required. Paul will be giving an open talk later in the day (2:10pm) specifically about the Building Dignity project.

Cosponsors: Department of Political Science, Political Science Club, Latin American Studies Program

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Measuring the Impact of Microfinance: Challenges and Opportunities

Busch Student Center 256

Speaker: Chris King, PhD, CSP, CHMM

Assistant Professor of Environmental & Occupational Health; Director, Center for Environmental Education & Training (CEET), Saint Louis University

Microfinance for the poor has become a worldwide phenomenon with seemingly little evidence of its effectiveness as a poverty-alleviation strategy. In 2009 there was a reported 3,589 organizations throughout the world providing some form of microfinance service to more than 190,000 clients, supported by an estimated US \$10-25 billion. Yet evaluating microfinance programs has proven to be very difficult, due in part to the multidimensional nature of poverty. This presentation explores these challenges through an evaluation conducted on a microfinance program in the Dominican Republic, and describes the known benefits of microfinance.

Cosponsors: Department of Environmental & Occupational Health and Center for Environmental Education & Training, College for Public Health and Social Justice

2:10 - 3:25 p.m.

Linking Scholarship, Art, & Engagement: Research & Advocacy in Marginalized Neighborhoods in Peru

Busch Student Center 352/353

Paul Dosh is an activist and academic from St. Paul, MN. He is the co-founder and director of Building Dignity, a community-based, non-profit organization working to promote education and economic development in Lima, Peru. In his talk he will share the research, activism, and art that has come from his work in Peru. More information on Building Dignity is available at its website: <http://www.buildingdignity.org>

Cosponsors: Department of Political Science, Latin American Studies Program, Political Science Club

2:15 p.m.

Film: *Wolf Call*

Busch Student Center 251

It is 1956. The previous year, 14-year old Emmett Till from Chicago had gone missing in Money, Mississippi. Later, the boy's mutilated body was found in a river. William Bradford Huie of Look magazine sits down with the two men acquitted for the boy's murder, Roy Bryant Jr. and J.W. Milam, to discuss the trial. Not a word had been uttered outside a courtroom by them or their kin, until now... WOLF CALL (10 Best Film Awards), is the true-story crafted from public record that became a lightning rod for moral outrage pivotal in inspiring a whole generation to commit to social change in the 1950s. 'His death was a spark that ignited the Civil Rights Movement in America,' Ed Bradley, Emmy Award-winning journalist.

Cosponsors: Film Studies Program and Department of English

3:00 p.m.

Dear Mandela Reality Check: Comparing North St. Louis City with Present Day South Africa

Carlo Auditorium, Tegeler Hall

Frank Kronenberg, Visiting Scholar from Capetown, South Africa and a founder of Occupational Therapy without Borders will be presenting, "Dear Mandela," a documentary film about post apartheid South Africa. Following the showing he will engage participants in a discussion comparing the South African experience with that of African Americans since the Civil War, with a focus on conditions in North St. Louis City.

Cosponsors: Department of Occupational Science & Occupational Therapy, Doisy College of Health Sciences

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Global Perspectives on the Conflict in Mali

Busch Student Center 253B

Dr. Jeanne Rueth (Department of Political Science) and Dr. Joya Uraizee (Department of English), will present a geopolitical perspective on the current events in Mali. They will discuss the conflict from a comparative political point of view, breaking down how the conflict originated, how it has progressed, and the international implications of France's military intervention. Finally, they will examine what can be done to help Mali move forward.

Sponsor: Department of Political Science

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Film: *Lamerica*

Busch Student Center 251

An Italian film about two Italian men who immigrate to Albania. This film is about their lives as racketeers and the changes they go through in these new lives.

Sponsor: Italian Club

4:00-5:00

"Uncapping SLU": Reducing Our Dependence on Disposable Bottled Water

Busch Student Center 253A

Over 90 other colleges and universities have banned or restricted the sale of disposable bottled water on campus. Is SLU ready to follow suit? This presentation will focus on the environmental, economic, and social justice impacts of the multi-billion dollar bottled water industry. Presenters will also help identify what we can do at Saint Louis University to help reduce our dependence on disposable bottled water. The presentation will be student-led, with an opportunity for questions and dialogue to follow. For more information on the cause, please visit bottledwaterfreeslu.tumblr.com.

Cosponsors: Student Government Association, Center for Sustainability, Department of Facilities Services

4:15 p.m.

Putin's New Adoption Law: Politics and Reality

Busch Student Center 256

In a round-table discussion moderated by Dr. Yelena Belyaeva-Standen, Associate Professor of Russian, Modern and Classical Languages Department, the problem of the new Russian Law on adoption will be addressed through its legal, political and social aspects. Two students will give presentations and oral testimonies of American parents who have recently adopted Russian children. The discussion will be followed by a screening of the movie "The Italian" (2007). This film is about a remote Russian orphanage and the adoption drama that happened there.

Cosponsors: Department of Modern & Classical Languages - Russian Division, Department of Political Science, and Center for International Studies

5:00 p.m.

Helping People in a Fragile State: First Hand Public Health Experiences in Afghanistan

Salus Center, Room 1412D

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Cosponsors: College for Public Health and Social Justice

5:00 p.m.

Global Citizenship: Engaging in Cultural Exchange

Busch Student Center 352/353

Students who have previously studied abroad and foreign students who are studying in America will come together to share their experiences interacting with a different culture, and their

development of a global perspective. If you are planning on studying abroad, learning to be a global citizen will enhance your perspective on the world and inspire a passion to travel and raise cultural awareness. If you have already studied abroad, come share your experiences and challenges. A group discussion activity will follow student presentations.

Sponsor: Department of Political Science

5:00 p.m.

Interfaith Prayer Service

St. Francis Xavier College Church

Interfaith Prayer Service is sponsored by SLU's Interfaith Alliance. Our mission is to build bridges across all faith and non-faith traditions by establishing mutually inspiring relationships. We tackle community challenges through service, social justice, initiatives, and create a safe space for interfaith dialogue. The Prayer Service brings together people of faith and non-faith traditions in an afternoon of prayer, music, and reflection. Presentations will be made by the members of the SLU community as well as invited guests. The service will be followed by a banquet to celebrate our common values! Join us as we advocate for interfaith cooperation through prayer and music!

Cosponsors: Interfaith Alliance and Better Together

6:30 p.m.

The Pulsera Project in Nicaragua: Enhancing the Lives of Nicaraguan Communities

Busch Student Center, 251 AB

The Pulsera Project is a non-profit organization that educates, empowers, and connects Nicaraguan youth with students in more than 300 U.S. schools through the sale of colorful, hand-woven bracelets, or "pulseras" in Spanish. The Pulsera Project's unique partnership between Nicaraguan artists and U.S. students enriches many lives in the US and Nicaragua. Project volunteers have raised more than \$700,000 to create sustainable jobs, empower Nicaraguan communities, and provide engaging educational programs both in the U.S. and Nicaragua. Five SLU students, three from Nicaragua and two who are going to spend their summers in Nicaragua, will be giving a brief presentation on Nicaragua and the Pulsera Project to the SLU student community. Pulseras will be sold on campus during Atlas week to raise awareness to this kind of organized activism that brings prosperity to many Nicaraguan communities. Participants are: Daniela Pineda, Jose Esteban, Arguello Ximena Cordon, Erin Twiehaus, and Nate Van Haute.

Cosponsors: Latin American Studies Program and Department of Modern & Classical Languages - Spanish Division

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

PHUSA Presents Global Health Field Experiences

Busch Student Center 256

Engage with students who have traveled domestically and abroad to provide Public Health and Medical service to underserved populations. Several student presenters will share their experiences in places such as Belize, Honduras, and West Virginia. Come to a better

understanding of the unmet health needs of people around the world and learn how SLU students are making a difference.

Cosponsors: Public Health Undergraduate Student Association and College for Public Health and Social Justice

7:30 p.m.

Beads of Privilege: A Real Discussion on Everyday Inequalities

Cross Cultural Center, Busch Student Center

Exactly how privileged are you? This uneasy topic inspires an activity of honest discussion and collaborative activity through creating your own bracelets with "Privilege Beads". These bracelets represent how much students worry about things outside of their control. Participate in an optional discussion after making your bracelet to discuss how social attitudes and circumstances affect your life in a moderated discussion.

Sponsor: Residence Hall Association

Tuesday, April 9

9:00 - 12:50 p.m.

Spanish Film Marathon: Latin American Immigration in Spain and the U.S.

Busch Student Center 251

This Spanish Film Marathon focuses on the topic of Latin American Immigration in Spain and in the United States. Featuring filmmakers from Spain and Mexico, this selection of two films includes the drama "Amador" (Fernando Leon de Aranoa, Spain, 2010), winner of the 2011 CEC Award, and the Mexican documentary "De nadie" (Tim Dirdama, Mexico, 2006), winner of the Audience Award at the 2006 Sundance Film Festival. The screening of the films will be followed by a round table moderated by Dr. Oscar Lopez and Mr. German Lorenzo-Ayala from the Spanish Division of the Department of Modern and Classical Languages.

Sponsor: Department of Modern and Classical Languages - Spanish Division

9:30 - 10:45 a.m.

Film: *Lost Boy Home*

Busch Student Center 253A

Zachariah Char, a Sudanese "Lost Boy" featured in The New York Times, returns to South Sudan and his home village of Duk Padiet to search for his mother and father 24 years after fleeing the country during a brutal civil war. The film's creative team includes those who have worked on projects nominated for the Academy Award five times and have won four Oscars. The soundtrack was composed by a Grammy winner with several #1 Billboard hits. The Director of Photography was involved in one of the most popular documentaries released this year, "The Queen of Versailles". But most importantly, the film's main character's story resonates with everyone who struggles to find and connect with their father and mother and to feel at home in the world.

Cosponsors: Film Studies Program and Department of History

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

**Research Methodologies to Guide Advocacy Efforts in Guatemala
Busch Student Center 253D**

“RESEARCH IN GUATEMALA: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES”

Jorge Luis de Leon. DrSc., MPH. Dr. de Leon is the director of the Research Institute (DIGI) in San Carlos University. He earned his doctorate in science from the Technology and Science Institute in Cuba and Mariano Galvez University in Guatemala. He has attended several courses and seminars related to Methodologies in Research at Johns Hopkins and Harvard University. As a Director of the Research Institute, he is implementing a new model to do research in Guatemala that includes three components: research, development and innovation.

“SOCIO-CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES OF GUATEMALAN SOCIETY”

Twenty-five years of research in Guatemala by Judith Gibbons and her collaborators has revealed the views of Guatemalan youth and adults on issues such as gender roles, machismo, marianismo, intercountry adoption, ethnic attitudes and relations, adolescents' ideals, altruism and helping, faith development, eating disorders, and social remittances. Implications of the research findings for empowerment of Guatemalan academics and other citizens will be addressed

Judith Gibbons, PhD in Psychology. Dr. Gibbons is Professor of Psychology and International Studies and was a Fulbright Scholar during 2011-2012 at the Universidad del Valle de Guatemala. She is currently the President-Elect of the Interamerican Society of Psychology, and the editor of the journal International Perspective in Psychology: Research, Practice, Consultation.

“ADVOCACY EFFORTS: AGING IN GUATEMALA”

Funded by the PRF, this project uses a participatory action research framework and PhotoVoice methodology to collect data on aging in two small Guatemalan towns, use that data in advocacy efforts, and empower local townspeople to continue this process of research and advocacy on their own.

Margaret A. Perkinson, PhD, received her doctoral degree in Human Development and Aging from University of California, San Francisco and is currently Associate Professor, Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy at Saint Louis University. Dr. Perkinson is a medical anthropologist who has conducted gerontological research for over 30 years. She is one of the founding faculty members of the NAPA-OT Field School in Antigua, Guatemala and is the director of its gerontology component. She has conducted research in Guatemala for the past 5 years, and her current work is funded by the President's Research Fund. She serves as editor-in-chief of the Journal of Cross-Cultural Gerontology, chair of the Global Aging Committee of the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, and elected member of the American Anthropological Association's Committee for Human Rights.

David D. Rockemann, MS, has a Master's degree in Community Development from the University of Missouri, Columbia, and over 30 years experience in gerontological health administration and 5 years research experience in Guatemala.

Ellen M. Ziegemeier, MA, Washington University, Brown School of Social Work.

After serving as a Peace Corps volunteer in Honduras, Ms. Ziegemeier earned a Masters in Anthropology from Louisiana State University. She has worked at universities and in private research settings in St. Louis, Chicago, Honduras and Guatemala on qualitative research projects studying aspects of aging, mental health and Alzheimer's disease (AD). She served as an educator on AD to the Latino community in Chicago through a health outreach program at the Mexican Consulate, and while living in Honduras, she worked at the Honduran Alzheimer's Association and coordinated the National Study of the Prevalence of Dementia in Honduras. Currently, Ms. Ziegemeier works at the Center for Violence and Injury Prevention (CVIP) in the Brown School of Social Work on an intervention grant for new mothers with postpartum depression and on a veteran suicide prevention grant with the VA.

"TRAINING AND ADVOCACY FOR CANCER PREVENTION AND CONTROL"

Funded by the NIH/Fogarty International Center, this program aimed to build capacity for cancer prevention and control by training Guatemalan clinicians in public health research methods. Using a bidirectional, interdisciplinary approach, participants gained research skills and developed cancer-related projects responsive to the needs of Guatemala, empowering these clinicians to ask questions and gather information needed to move the country's cancer surveillance, treatment, and policy forward.

Lauren D. Arnold, PhD, MPH, is an Assistant Professor of Epidemiology at the College for Public Health & Social Justice. As a cancer epidemiologist, Dr. Arnold's current work largely focuses on HPV-related cancers. She studies barriers to, knowledge about, and communication issues related to HPV vaccination and cancer prevention among underserved, minority, and college populations. Additionally, she has ongoing projects in cancer disparities and public health genomics, and collaborates on projects in Guatemala. <http://www.slu.edu/x66395.xml>

"GUATEMALA: FUTURE PROJECTS IN CANCER, INCREASING ADVOCACY EFFORTS."

Sarah Patrick, PhD, MPH, is an associate professor in the Department of Epidemiology. She was trained at the World Health Organization Collaborating Center for Diabetes Registries, Research, and Training at the University of Pittsburgh. For over twenty years, she has toggled service as a public health practitioner and as an academician and researcher. In practice, she served as an Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) Officer for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention assigned to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, State Epidemiologist in South Dakota and later in Missouri, and a contract epidemiologist for the Aberdeen Area Indian Health Services and the Training Programs in Epidemiology and Public Health Interventions Network (TEPHINET), working with the field epidemiology training programs in the Middle East and Northern Africa. Academically, she has directed the Institute of Rural Health Studies at Idaho State University and the Center for Rural Health Improvement at the Sanford School of Medicine at the University of South Dakota.

Christian Alvarez Privado, MSPH, is currently a Fulbright scholar from Guatemala who will complete his MPH at Saint Louis University in December 2013. Mr. Alvarez has worked in projects related to HIV and Sexual Transmitted Infections in Female Sex groups and men who have sex with men in Guatemala and Spain. He has also helped develop a surveillance system of HIV patients in Guatemala.

Cosponsors: Department of Epidemiology - College for Public Health and Social Justice, Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy - Doisy College of Health Sciences, Department of Psychology - College of Arts and Sciences

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Casa de la Solidaridad: Learning Solidarity in El Salvador

Busch Student Center 352/353

Students who have studied abroad in El Salvador through the Casa de la Solidaridad program will present on their own experiences as well as various unique features of the program. Important aspects of the program include simple living, accompaniment, and spirituality. Additionally, students will present on the history of El Salvador and share stories of the Salvadorans they met during their time abroad.

Sponsor: International Services - Study Abroad Office

11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

SLU Students' Folk Theories about Language: "Something Magical Happens"

Busch Student Center 253B

Results will be presented from a study done in Fall 2012 with 250 foreign language students from SLU. Participants were asked about their views on what it means to learn a foreign language and how language and thought are connected. We'll look at some of the interesting trends based on participants' gender, level of language proficiency, age, and the languages they have studied. We'll also explore the most interesting similarities and divergences between the students' views and what contemporary linguistic and psycholinguistic theory has to say on these topics. Attendees will be encouraged to share their own views and experiences.

Speaker: Dr. Kara McBride

Kara McBride is an Assistant Professor of Spanish in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages. Her research is in the area of second language acquisition.

Sponsor: Department of Modern and Classical Languages

12:00 - 12:50 p.m.

The Impact of Food Deserts on Health Care

Learning Resource Center, Pitlyk Auditorium A

Access to healthy, affordable food is not guaranteed for the 14.2% of St. Louis residents who live in any one of the 18 food deserts in the city. When faced with this uncertainty, the quality and nutritional value of the food that is available proves to be less of a priority for many. This disparity is unfortunately all too common in the United States and for St. Louis it extends to all parts of the city. These communities are disproportionately poor, majority-minority, and for the families living in them, the impact is marked, manifesting in every form of malnutrition along the spectrum from starvation to morbid obesity. Our panel will discuss this problem in depth and offer opportunities for student to get involved with ongoing efforts to solve it.

Sponsor: SLUSOM Global Health Learning Community

12:00-1:00 pm

“20 Seconds of Time Travel” A Pecha Kucha Presentation

International Student Lounge, Des Peres Hall 108

Come see photos and hear exciting stories from our past study abroad students and get a quick glimpse of what their life was like while studying abroad! These students will have 20 seconds for each photo, so their explanations must be quick! That's the key to Pecha Kucha, presentations that are concise and fast-paced! Check out this new way of presenting while hearing about exciting experiences abroad.

Sponsor: Office of International Services

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Advocating for the Rights of Migrant Farm Workers

Morrissey Hall 109, School of Law

A public interest lawyer with a decade of experience practicing law with the Immigrants and Workers' Rights Practice Group of the Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago, Miguel Keberlein Gutiérrez (M.A., University of Iowa; J.D., University of Wisconsin--Madison) will speak about the advocacy work he and his organization do for migrant farm workers and their families throughout Illinois. Mr. Keberlein's practice focuses in particular on representing clients whose rights under the Migrant and Seasonal Agricultural Worker Protection Act have been violated due to working conditions, housing, field sanitation, or misrepresentations of the working arrangement, and he will begin by generally describing this federal act and his practice. After providing that brief background information, Mr. Keberlein will share specific stories describing the difficult and sometimes painful challenges that his clients face, and he will describe the rewards of this important advocacy work, leaving time for discussion, questions, and answers.

Cosponsors: Center for International and Comparative Law, School of Law

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Understanding the World, One Person at a Time

Busch Student Center 256

How do we, as individuals, begin to not only make sense of the world we live in, but find a way to impact it positively? Answering this question can feel overwhelming. As an avid traveler, I have found that the only way I can begin to make sense of a place or a culture is through people. In this presentation, I will share stories of individuals who I have met through travels on five continents. Through these stories, I will try to show how I became an advocate for them. In sharing their stories, I hope to inspire and inform action in you, to listen to other peoples stories and learn from them. These unique individuals will be the subjects of my stories: Hailu, the guide and local political activist in Lalibela, Ethiopia...Natasa, the Bosnian Serb who was "stateless" during the war in the Balkans...Sunday, the pastor and community advocate in Ekorì, Nigeria...Nadia, the university student leader in Arad, Romania...Ernesto, the 30 something living through the changing times in Havana, Cuba... and finally Salonique, a community leader in Gonaives, Haiti. Speaker: Janet Oberle, Associate Director of Athletics, Avid Traveler, active volunteer for International Assist Medical Missions (www.iammspringfield.com)

Sponsor: Athletics

12:15 - 1:45 p.m.

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Sponsor: College for Public Health and Social Justice

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

**Globalizing the College of Arts & Sciences: A Round Table
Busch Student Center 253C**

The round table discussion welcomes faculty, staff, students, and administrators for a discussion of efforts and initiatives towards globally-oriented teaching, research, and service at SLU in general and within the College of Arts and Sciences in particular. The panel will consist of faculty members leading in these efforts, including:

David Borgmeyer, Ph.D., Director of the Center for International Studies, moderator

Ellen Carnaghan, Ph.D., Professor and Chair of Political Science

Richard Colignon, Ph.D., Professor and Chair of Sociology and Anthropology

Thomas Finan, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of History, Associate Director of the Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies.

Cosponsors: Center for International Studies, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Department of History, Department of Political Science

1:00 - 2:15 p.m.

Why Theology Matters: An Engagement with Contemporary Issues

Busch Student Center 253B

MA students in Theological Studies are presenting academic papers on a variety of themes and topics all sharing a commitment to the public relevance of theology as a participant in the contemporary public/political discourse. Themes include feminism, social justice, and cross-cultural discourse. Students will present their papers, followed by a Q&A session moderated by Dr. Rubén Rosario-Rodríguez.

Sponsor: Department of Theological Studies

2:15 - 3:30 p.m.

Studying in China

Busch Student Center 253D

Asian Studies students who studied in China talk about their experiences there. They will discuss what's fun, what's not so great, what to look for, what the Beijing Center is like, and why it is a great idea to study in China!

Cosponsors: Asian Studies Program, Department of Political Science, Center for International Studies

2:15 - 3:30 p.m.

Film: *Homeland: Refugees*

Busch Student Center 251

The purpose of this event is to hold a screening of PBS's recent documentary entitled "Homeland: Refugees". According to PBS's website, the film is meant to "take viewers to the heart of America's humanitarian position as a refuge for those fleeing violence, disaster, war and persecution around the world. The stories in this hour illustrate the forces and factors that can lead refugees to a life of stability and success or to isolation, welfare and homelessness". The documentary is set in St. Louis, highlighting the struggles of the different refugee communities within our city. Additionally, a panel will accompany the screening, with speakers from the International Institute, Firm Foundations Refugee Tutoring program, the Center for Survivors of Torture and War Trauma, and other organizations involved in refugee resources in St. Louis. The ultimate goal of this event is to bring awareness of the large refugee population in St. Louis, the struggles they face, and ways for people to get involved.

Cosponsors: Political Science Club, Department of Political Science

2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Homelessness: Looking from the Outside In

Busch Student Center 253A

Homelessness touches many lives and affects many aspects of a person's overall health. It impacts people's physical, mental, and emotional health, as well as their environment, education, and financial status. The presentation features a student-made documentary and discussion based on this Public Health student's personal experience and relationships with those who are homeless. Together we will walk the path of homelessness, sharing in these individuals' stories and hearts, struggles and triumphs.

Sponsor: College for Public Health and Social Justice

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Film: *Shokran Toni*

Busch Student Center 253C

In September 2011 the novelist Toni Morrison published a letter as a reflection to a Youtube video of a Sudanese woman being lashed for an unknown moral crime. The director and her friends decided to make this film to thank Toni Morrison, and to bring attention to the violation of Sudanese women by the militant Islamic regime. Due to government restrictions on filming in public places and the security risk for those involved, the film uses both original and stock footage. It is the first film for the director, cast and crew and many professionals donated their time and skills for free.

Cosponsors: Film Studies Program, Women's Studies Program, Department of English

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Bridging Delmar: A Bold Plan to Unite Our City

Busch Student Center 253B

What if people north and south of Delmar stopped saying "they" and started saying "we"? What could Saint Louis look like if we joined together to follow Jesus and serve our city? Come join us and listen as we address one of the oldest conflicts and hindrances in our own backyard of Saint Louis city, rated one of the most dangerous cities in the United States.

Sponsor: Chi Alpha

4:00 p.m.

Culture Alive

AB Auditorium, John Cook School of Business

Culture Alive is held every year to growing crowds of participants. This event provides an interactive means of showing students how cultural issues impact business relationships, business practice, and thus business success! Students studying business at the undergraduate, graduate and doctoral levels join faculty and members of the advisory board of the Boeing Institute of International Business to create a program that may include a culture quiz, skits highlighting how ignorance of a cultural norm can ruin a business interaction, videos, handouts, and more -- plus a closing international reception with food from various countries and an Asian tea ceremony typically conducted at the close of a business deal. Everyone is welcome.

Reservations are not required, but may be made by emailing Karen Carpentier at SCHNEIKL@SLU.EDU or call 314-977-3898 for more information.

Cosponsors: The Boeing Institute of International Business, John Cook School of Business

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Empowered or Deprived? The Impact of the Mexican Educational System

Busch Student Center 256

Angie Guzman is a founder of a non profit organization called "Queretaro Institute for the Empowerment of Children," which is a bilingual school that will be opening next year in Mexico. The mission of the organization is to create schools that cater to students of all backgrounds:

“Through creative partnerships and high-quality programs, we instill in our students a desire for lifelong learning. Our programs nurture individual talents and skills by promoting critical thinking and problem-solving, and teach students the academic and social skills needed to leave their mark in an ever-changing, global society.” In this presentation Angie will give an overview of her project, speak of the history of Queretaro, explain problems encountered, and provide opportunities for students to get involved.

Sponsor: Hispanic American Leadership Organization

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

How to Make Your Undergraduate Experience International

Busch Student Center 253A

Students will present on how they have made their undergraduate experiences "international." This will include discussion on various opportunities like Internships, Study Abroad, International Service Opportunities, Independent Study and special courses. We will also include a panel of our presenters so that audience members can ask questions. Our goal is for students to become aware of the many ways that they can become a global citizen during their undergraduate years at SLU.

Cosponsors: Sigma Iota Rho, Center for International Studies

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Kyrgyzstan: A Country of Celestial Mountains

Wool Ballroom, Busch Student Center, Room 170

Lutsenko Inna, MD, will present “Kyrgyzstan - A Country of Celestial Mountains”. At the beginning of presentation is a video in English, which tells about the country and shows its beauty, nature, culture, food, traditions, places, etc. This presentation covers not only the style of life of modern Kyrgyzstan, a small country in Central Asia, but also includes information about the Higher Education System in Kyrgyzstan and its peculiarities and issues. At the end of this 30-minute presentation, there will be a brief performance of a national folk Kyrgyz dance, which shows unique and old culture of Asian nomads, called “Kyrgyz.” All guests will be offered the opportunity to taste national Kyrgyz dishes, such as Plov, salads, and other special desserts.

Cosponsors: Department of Epidemiology, College for Public Health and Social Justice

4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Political Ideologies, Global and Local

Busch Student Center 351

Sponsor: Department of Political Science

5:00 p.m.

Hijab Awareness Part I: Hijab Fashion Show

Busch Student Center 253D

What is the hijab and why do Muslim women dress the way that they do? Learn about the headscarf as well as different fun styles to wear it!

Sponsor: Muslim Student Association

5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

The Delmar Divide

Health Sciences Education Union

The socioeconomic divide along Delmar Boulevard is troubling. To the north are abandoned buildings, broken homes, and deserted communities. But among those who choose to remain in north St. Louis, there is a strong sense of unity, an unshakable faith that is deeply rooted, and a shared dream of future prosperity. South of Delmar is picturesque; the homes are immaculate and each is more beautiful than the last. But between blocks are gates; gates that divide the neighborhood and limit community. It's clear that each side has what the other needs. The BBC documented this issue a little over a year ago and its work has served to draw the attention of both city and community leaders, prompting them to begin a conversation with both sides. Through ATLAS week, we hope to continue this conversation on our campus so that we might all become aware and learn about opportunities to help to bridge the divide.

Cosponsors: SLUSOM Global Health Learning Community, SLUSOM Student National Medical Association

6:00 p.m.

Russian Martial Art: Systema Self Defense Seminar

Simon Rec Center

Come join Joe Mayberry from the St. Louis Combat Institute to explore the ancient Russian martial art of Systema. Mr. Mayberry will teach students an effective method of self-defense utilizing an ancient combat system. Systema is an ancient Russian martial art adapted for use in modern warfare by the Russian Special Operations and the Soviet spy network. Needing the fastest and most effective training regime for their elite fighters and undercover operatives, the Soviets experimented with many combat arts, only to rediscover the most deadly and sophisticated method among their own traditional Slavic hill-fighting roots.

Sponsor: Department of Modern and Classical Language - Russian Division

6:00 p.m.

Better Together: Interfaith Education and Action

Busch Student Center 253A

This year the Better Together Campaign has focused on the social justice issue of a "Lack of Interfaith Education." We work closely with the Youth Learning Center, where we teach children about World Religions. Come experience the importance of Interfaith Education in the classroom.

Cosponsors: Better Together, Interfaith Alliance

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Model U.N. Crisis: Syrian Revolution

Busch Student Center 256

Have you ever wanted to try your hand at diplomacy? Can you work towards a solution to international crises? Come experience first-hand how the United Nations Security Council addresses pressing world issues and participate in a simulated crisis centered around the Syrian revolution! Students will act as delegates to the U.N. Security Council and gain a new

understanding of international diplomacy while participating in an interactive debate on a crisis topic.

Cosponsors: Model United Nations, Department of Political Science

7:00 p.m.

Film: *The Road to Freedom Peak*

Busch Student Center 352/353

Jonathan Okwir was abducted by the Lord's Resistance Army in Uganda when he was ten years old and forced into the jungle to be trained as a child soldier. Corrin Varady is a philanthropist and activist who is working to help children like Jonathan rejoin their communities. Together, they embark on an adventurous trek across East Africa from the border of South Sudan, through Uganda and Tanzania en route to Africa's highest point - Freedom Peak, the top of Mt. Kilimanjaro. To Africans, Mount Kilimanjaro is revered as a symbol of independence and hope. For Jonathan, the Road To Freedom Peak becomes an extraordinary journey to forgiveness and redemption.

Sponsor: Film Studies Program

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

SLU Lions International Disease Prevention Program

Busch Student Center 253D

SLU Lions Club, St. Louis, allows students to help serve the community and maintain peace in our society. Members help serve our community through vision education and disease prevention in St. Louis school districts, gain hands-on medical experience through vision screenings, and fundraise to help eliminate health disparities around the world. This event consists of several student presentations on various health topics, which include obesity, diabetes, eye care and tobacco/drug awareness. Each topics' presentation is supplemented with engaging activities that help emphasize the beneficial information that educate individuals on disease prevention and increase health literacy among SLU students and within the St. Louis metro community. SLU Lions Club members will also conduct vision and amblyopia screenings. All student presentations will be occurring simultaneously, and viewers are welcome to view whichever presentation entices them most.

Sponsor: SLU Lions International Club

Wednesday, April 10

9:00 a.m.

Film: *War don don*

School of Nursing, Lecture Hall A

In the heart of Freetown, the capital of Sierra Leone, United Nations soldiers guard a heavily fortified building known as the "special court." Inside, Issa Sesay awaits his trial. Prosecutors say Sesay is a war criminal, guilty of heinous crimes against humanity. His defenders say he is a reluctant fighter who protected civilians and played a crucial role in bringing peace to Sierra Leone. With unprecedented access to prosecutors, defense attorneys, victims, and, from behind bars, Sesay himself, WAR DON DON puts international justice on trial for the world to see — finding that in some cases, the past is not just painful, it is also opaque.

Cosponsors: School of Nursing, Film Studies Program

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

SLUCORE: Learning From Our Neighbors to the North

Busch Student Center 253D

Students from SLUCORE will be sharing about their experience learning from and working with four different communities in North St. Louis. After a presentation of who we are and what our organization's mission is, we hope to engage those present in a discussion about North City and the relationship or lack thereof between SLU and our neighbors to the North.

Sponsor: SLUCORE

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Special Lecture with John Prendergast "Advocacy for Peace: Why South Sudan was Successful and Darfur Was Not"

Sinquefield Stateroom, DuBourg Hall

Darfur and South Sudan are two of the deadliest conflicts in the last few decades. Darfur represents an example of all the things that can go wrong with an international response, and how those mistakes can actually be deadly. South Sudan, on the other hand, provides a successful case study of ending a war and helping to support the creation of the world's newest country. John Prendergast will discuss what went right in South Sudan and what went wrong in Darfur, and the lessons to be learned for future conflicts.

Cosponsors: ATLAS Planning Committee, SLU Madrid Campus

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Globalization & the Nigerian Oil Crisis

Busch Student Center 253A

Globalization has had profound impacts on the lives of people across the world. Many of these, however, are not always positive. The negative effects of globalization can be seen in the Niger Delta Region in Nigeria. Within this region, globalization brings together the Nigerian government, the Ogoni people, and multinational oil companies with their own goals. Students from the Fall 2012 International Relations of Africa course will represent various groups interested in the Nigerian Oil Crisis and will attempt to work together to create a potential solution to the crisis in the form of a student round table presentation.

Sponsor: Department of Political Science

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Food Justice: Think Globally, Act Locally

Busch Student Center 352/353

OneWorld magazine presents "Food Justice: Think Globally, Act Locally." This event will delve into the issue of international and local food justice: the right of communities everywhere to produce, distribute, access, and eat good food regardless of race, class, gender, ethnicity, citizenship, ability, religion, or community. Good food is healthful, local, sustainable, culturally appropriate, humane, and produced for the sustenance of people and the planet. Specifically, our presentation will focus on the issue of food deserts: geographical areas vapid of fresh fruit,

vegetables, and other healthful whole foods. These food deserts are usually found in impoverished areas, largely due to a lack of grocery stores, farmers' markets, and healthy food providers.

Dr. Ellen Barnidge, an expert on the topic and a Faculty member in the Department of Behavioral Science, will introduce the topic and address it from both an international and local standpoint. Dr. Barnidge has notable experience with food desert projects, and has worked on various initiatives to combat local food deserts such as mapping areas that lack access to healthy foods, holding farmers markets in urban areas, and building community gardens.

After Dr. Barnidge introduces the topic, a panel comprised of various intervention speakers will present on ways to combat food injustice in our area. Representatives from farmers markets, the International Institute of St. Louis, urban farmers, and others will speak about their experiences and give students an opportunity to get involved.

Free food will be provided!

Cosponsors: One World Magazine and the Department of Behavioral Science and Health Education, College for Public Health and Social Justice

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

**Global Health Care: Clinical and Research Opportunities in China
Learning Resource Center, Pitlyk Auditorium A**

This event will highlight the global health care initiatives in China of several Saint Louis University School of Medicine faculty. Dr. Joseph Flaherty will discuss his experiences learning about geriatric care in Chengdu and his medical school elective course bringing SLU medical students to China. Dr. Dirk Alander will share his five years of experience performing pediatric spine surgeries in Suzhou. Dr. Joseph Walline will speak about his experiences conducting research on emergency medicine education in Beijing as well as starting US-China exchange programs for emergency medicine physicians. After the presentations, we will have a detailed Q&A session with the audience about clinical and research opportunities in China and future collaborative possibilities.

Speakers:

[Joseph Flaherty, MD](#)

Saint Louis University School of Medicine

Professor

Department of Internal Medicine

<http://internalmed.slu.edu/geriatrics/index.php?page=joseph-h-flaherty-m-d>

Dr. Joseph Flaherty is a Professor in the Department of Internal Medicine, Division of Geriatrics. He is Associate Chair for Clinical Affairs and Assistant Program and Director of the Geriatric Medicine Fellowship Program. He serves as a Visiting Professor each summer in the Geriatrics Department of Sichuan University and its affiliated West China Hospital (one of the largest hospitals in China with over 4,000 inpatient beds and more than 2 million outpatient visits per year). He offers SLU medical students the opportunity to visit China through his medical school elective course every spring.

Dirk Alander, MD

Saint Louis University School of Medicine

Associate Professor

Department of Orthopaedic Surgery

Spinal Deformity and Reconstructive Spine Surgery

<http://orthopedics.slu.edu/index.php?page=dirk-h-alander-m-d>

Dr. Dirk Alander is an Associate Professor in the Department of Orthopaedics, Spinal Deformity and Reconstructive Spine Surgery Section. He has travelled extensively to perform spine surgeries in other countries as part of several medical missions. Through his work with the Saint Louis chapter of Healing the Children, Dr. Alander has performed pediatric scoliosis surgeries at Suzhou University Children's Hospital in China for the past five years.

Joseph Walline, MD [panel organizer]

Saint Louis University School of Medicine

Assistant Professor

Department of Surgery – Division of Emergency Medicine

<http://surgery.slu.edu/er/index.php?page=joseph-h-walline-m-d>

Dr. Joseph Walline is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Surgery, Division of Emergency Medicine. He is the Assistant Director for the Emergency Medicine Residency Program, the Director of International Emergency Medicine, and the Director of Ultrasound Training. He has studied the history and practice of emergency medicine in urban China for over a decade and served as a U.S. Fulbright Scholar to China in 2004-05. Over the past five years, he has established several international physician exchange programs between the U.S. and hospitals in Beijing, Shanghai, Taipei, and Gaborone (Botswana).

Cosponsors: Department of Surgery - Division of Emergency Medicine, School of Medicine

12:45 - 2:00 p.m.

Global Disability Advocacy

Busch Student Center 253B

Disability Services Club will be sponsoring "Global Disability Advocacy." Ms. Jane Jones, Program Director of Disability Services in the Student Success Center, will be speaking about advocacy for those with disabilities and how disabilities are viewed in countries around the world.

Cosponsors: Disability Services, Disability Services Club

1:00 p.m.

Global Nursing Program in Madrid

Busch Student Center 251

This presentation will include information on student experiences in Spain as part of SLU's Global Nursing Program. Specifically, student presentations will focus on personal experiences with culture in Madrid, learning Spanish, clinical experiences in Spanish Hospitals and clinics, and additional cultural experiences in Spain and beyond during time spent studying abroad.

Sponsor: School of Nursing

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

**Advocacy and Awareness for Humanity in the Globalized Classroom
International Student Lounge, Des Peres Hall, Room 108**

Human trafficking takes many forms and is sweeping the globe like a virus. This pandemic has both international and local implications. The English for Academic Purposes (EAP) program will hold a panel discussion with local partner organizations such as Crisis Aid International to explore how SLU international students are supporting efforts to combat human trafficking locally and how students can play a significant role in the global movement to eliminate this crime against humanity.

Cosponsors: English for Academic Purpose, English as a Second Language

1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

**Film: *Santiago es Santiago*
Busch Student Center 253D**

Discover the Real Cuba: the island time forgot, where a rich home-grown culture thrives free of the Commercialized World of American Mass Media! In over 50 years since the revolution, Cuba's isolation has allowed the culture to evolve on it's own. In 2010, filmmaker Warren Haack went to Cuba on a lark to experience the music and ended up falling in love with the culture. He returned four more times to experience it and film this in-depth look at the music, dance, religion and everyday lives of the people; in the streets, homes and clubs where life throbs to a distinct, captivating rhythm.

Cosponsors: Film Studies Program, Department of Modern & Classical Languages - Spanish Division, Micah House

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**Who's Your Daddy: Changing the Paternal Way We Think, Act, and Engage with
Developing Countries and Poverty
Busch Student Center 253A**

This presentation is an examination of how we, as individuals from developed countries, engage in international service and development. Using their work in Nicaragua with Educacion Plus de Nicaragua, and in Haiti with Missionaries of Charity as case studies, Leila Houshmand and Jessica Girdler will examine common questions around international service work and the burdens faced by developing countries. The questions of the language and lens we use, as well as our effectiveness, will be addressed to hopefully change the mindset we use to approach international development work and service.

Sponsor: College for Public Health and Social Justice

2:10 - 3:00 p.m.

**When Europe was Not Christian: Contemporary Lessons from Medieval Conversions
Busch Student Center 253C**

Christianity today is often thought of as a characteristically "European" religion, and Christian missionaries in recent centuries have sometimes focused more on promoting, or even imposing, Western cultural norms rather than the ideals of the Christian faith. This panel looks back to a time when the European nations themselves were the barbarians, the strange and exotic

outsiders who were to be won over to the Christian faith and coaxed into civilization. Examining the experience of conversion in early medieval Europe (400 CE to 1000 CE), from the perspectives both of history and of current theories of World Christianity, it seeks:

- to remind us that what is now considered standard was once "the other"; and
- to reflect on the lessons of history for Christianity's current experiences as a global religion in which ideals of equality often conflict with established privileges and prejudices between the varied cultures of the North and South.

Speaker: Tomas O'Sullivan, Ph.D. (Department of Theological Studies)

Respondents: Steven Schoenig, S.J., Ph.D. (Department of History); Michael McClymond, Ph.D. (Department of Theological Studies)

Cosponsors: Department of History, Department of Theological Studies, and Center for Medieval and Renaissance Studies

2:15- 3:30 p.m.

Fulbright Grants and Other Resources for International Study

Busch Student Center 256

Fulbright Grants and Other Resources for International Studies will provide several brief presentations on opportunities for international study, with a particular focus on Fulbright Grants, which provide opportunities for undergraduates, post-graduates, and faculty to learn and study abroad. Panelists will include two faculty members who have recently completed Fulbrights - Dr. Judy Gibbons (Psychology) and Dr. Jennifer Popiel (History) - and student presenters, an undergraduate and graduate student who applied for Fulbright Academic and English Teaching Assistant awards during the past year. Duane Smith (Post-Bac Scholarships & Fellowships) will present on Fulbright opportunities for undergraduates - UK Fulbright Summer Institutes - and with Annie Cavedine (International Programs/Study Abroad), highlight other international funding and scholarship opportunities - for example, the Boren Scholarships and Fellowships, the Gilman, and DAAD scholarships.

Cosponsors: Office of Post-Baccalaureate Scholarships and Fellowships, Department of Psychology, Department of Modern and Classical Languages - Russian Division, Center for International Studies, Center for Intercultural Studies, International Services - Study Abroad

3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

John Prendergast Presents "10 Ingredients for Making a Difference both Globally and Locally"

Wool Ballroom, Busch Student Center, Room 173

John Prendergast tells the stories of how he got involved in Africa on the global side of advocacy and how he came to be a Big Brother in the Big Brother/Big Sister program to ten kids over the years on the local side. He then presents ten ingredients on how students can make an impact on the things they care about.

Sponsor: ATLAS Planning Committee

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Global Speed-friending

Busch Student Center 253B

Please join The Global Initiatives Club for our 2nd annual Global Speed-friending event! Come meet new people and learn about new cultures from all around the world. TGIC will provide starter questions to "break the ice" and help facilitate forming new friendships.

Sponsor: Global Initiatives Club

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

The Epidemiological Situation of Strokes in Kyrgyzstan

Busch Student Center 253C

This presentation covers all issues of the epidemiological situation with acute disturbances of brain blood circulation in Kyrgyz Republic. It is known that the mortality rate for strokes in Kyrgyzstan is the highest in the world. Topics discussed in the presentation include the most significant factors for strokes, stroke development in both capital/urban and remote areas of Kyrgyzstan, ways of disease prevention, and the National Program of Stroke Prevention in Kyrgyz Republic. This presentation also utilizes diagrams and statistical data. Following the presentation will be a discussion with involvement of students about ways to find an approach to help improve the epidemiological situation in Kyrgyzstan. "Memorandum of Understanding" will also be a part of this discussion.

Cosponsors: Department of Epidemiology, College for Public Health and Social Justice

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

An Evening with a Special Olympics Missouri Athlete

Busch Student Center 253A

Come hear testimony from Brock, a champion with the Special Olympics, Missouri Chapter. Watch a presentation by the Special Olympics Executive Board on campus about service opportunities for the rest of the semester and next Fall. SO-SLU will also give students and staff the opportunity to ask questions in a discussion with our guest athlete, our E-Board, and the representative(s) from Special Olympics Missouri (SOMO).

Sponsor: Special Olympics - Saint Louis University

5:00 - 6:15 p.m.

The Third World Near You: Crossing the Great Divide, Part I

Busch Student Center 251

In our focus on global issues we sometimes lose track of the global aspect of our local communities. In America today there are communities hidden in plain sight by years of discrimination, social and economic isolation, and confusion as to the best course of action for engaging them because of racial/ethnic divisions. These communities experience conditions filled with social and economic challenges similar to those in third world communities around the globe. From extreme economic deprivation to health disparities of significant proportions, the challenges are many, and require concerted and organized strategies for engaging and supporting the community residents' visions for change. A panel will follow up on information given during previous Atlas Weeks with sessions providing updated academic presentations on

conditions and challenges, as well as perspectives of student travelers on this Third World beyond the gates.

Cosponsors: Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Public Health, Social Work (College for Public Health and Social Justice), School of Medicine

5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Advocacy After the Classroom

Saint Louis Room, Busch Student Center

Come talk about post graduation service opportunities from members of the SLU community that have experienced them first hand.

Sponsor: Department of Political Science

5:30 p.m.

Hijab Awareness Part II: Monologues

Busch Student Center 253C

We encourage all girls to try wearing the head scarf for a day. Then, join us in the evening as fellow students take the stage sharing their stories.

Sponsor: Muslim Student Association

6:00 p.m.

Not Just Another Movie Night (Film: The Day after Tomorrow)

Lee Lecture Hall

We will be watching the Hollywood hit "The Day After Tomorrow" and will be enjoying delicious food along with it, including pizza, root beer and coke floats, and other refreshments! After the movie, we will engage in an intriguing discussion about the movie and its environmental perspective. Revolving around global climate patterns, such as melting of ice caps, this ambitious movie provides an opportunity to learn more about the environmental impacts of global actions and how we can help prevent them. We would like a diverse population of students and staff to come together during this event and contribute their personal experiences and opinions!

Come for a fun-filled event because this is not JUST another movie night!

Watch the trailer at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=33XHKS1QdBM>

Sponsor: Just Earth

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Why Haiti Still Matters: 3 Years After the Quake

Busch Student Center 253D

Three years after a massive earthquake devastated much of the already impoverished country of Haiti, a full recovery has not been made. Do we still care? Living in St. Louis, should we still care? Two health care professionals and a Jesuit priest share their experiences of Haiti including their work in health care and education.

Cosponsors: College for Public Health and Social Justice, Center for International Studies

6:30 p.m.

**Communication and the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict
Busch Student Center 253A**

We welcome Dr. Don Ellis from the University of Hartford to come and speak on the topic of communication issues related to political conflict--specifically, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. With the topic making news headlines almost daily, we feel that this topic is especially relevant. Dr. Ellis specializes in communication theory, intercultural communication, conflict, political communication, and language and communication. Thus, his presentation will focus on the effect of communication as it pertains to this conflict.

(http://www.hartford.edu/A_and_S/departments/communication/faculty/dellis.aspx)

Sponsor: Jewish Student Association

7:00 p.m.

**View the Film: "My Perestroika" and Meet the Director
Busch Student Center 251**

We will show the documentary, My Perestroika, and then Ms. Robin Hessman, the filmmaker and director, will speak and answer questions. The documentary uses archival footage, home movies, and interviews to trace the lives of a group of friends as the Soviet Union collapsed. It provides unique insights into recent history, how ordinary people cope with radical social change, how we can start to understand the lives of people very different from ourselves, and how film can capture these things.

Cosponsors: Center for International Studies, Department of Political Science, Film Studies Program, Department of Modern and Classical Languages - Russian Division

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

**53rd Meeting of the St. Louis' Dialogue of the World's Religions and Philosophies
Wool Ballrooms, Busch Student Center, Rooms 170-172**

Representatives of many different religions will discuss their teachings about God.

Cosponsors: Department of Theological Studies, Interfaith Partnership of Greater St. Louis

Thursday, April 11

9:30 - 10:45 a.m.

**An Informal Chat with Robin Hessman: Director of "My Perestroika"
Busch Student Center 253D**

Ms. Robin Hessman, director of My Perestroika, a documentary film that traces the lives of a group of friends as the Soviet Union collapsed, will be available for an informal question and answer period.

Cosponsors: Center for International Studies, Department of Political Science, Film Studies Program, Department of Modern and Classical Languages - Russian Division

10:00 - 11:30 a.m.

Coffee and Conversation with John Prendergast

***R.S.V.P. Required**

Come join this year's keynote speaker, John Prendergast, and Political Round Table for an intimate discussion on pursuing a career in social justice. Come learn the hardships, advantages and disadvantages of being an activist in today's world. Interested in social justice issues but don't know what to do after college? Want to start a non-profit or run a human rights campaign? Find out how he does it. Mr. Prendergast will be sharing on why he chose his career and how his path led to where he is today. Please don't miss this opportunity to simply sit, have coffee and chat with and learn from someone who has spent his life working toward social change. Only 30 spots available! RSVP is required.

Cosponsors: Political Round Table, ATLAS Planning Committee

11:00 a.m.

Students Empowering Communities, Communities Empowering Students

Busch Student Center 253A

A case study of the development model, utilized by Global Brigades, to empower rural communities abroad. This presentation will analyze the implications of the development model on both the community and the volunteers themselves.

Sponsor: Global Brigades

11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

Health Care Reform 2.0: Lessons from the Modern World

Baer-Fuller Lecture Hall

The Affordable Care Act is expanding access to millions of Americans, but the crisis in health care continues. The United States is unique among modern nations in that we do not provide universal comprehensive access to affordable health care, yet our health care costs are double those of comparable countries. This presentation from representatives from Physicians for a National Health Program will identify our global performance on key health care issues (access, quality, and cost) and describe the benefits of building upon Medicare, fixing its problems, and expanding it to all Americans. It will close with a brief discussion of the current opportunity to expand Medicaid to 260,000 more Missouri citizens.

Cosponsors: College for Public Health and Social Justice, Public Health Undergraduate Students Association

12:00 - 12:50 p.m.

Launching Your International Health Career

Learning Resource Center, Pitlyk Auditorium A

This event will feature a presentation by Dr. Comninellis, the president of the Institute for International Medicine. He will be giving a presentation on "launching your international health career," by reflecting on the decisions that must be made to incorporate service into a medical career. He will address international medical training, language learning, and time commitment. More information on the organization and his speech can be found here:

http://inmed.us/resources/speakers_bureau.asp

Healthcare professionals have a strong record of service to forgotten people. However, launching into this career tract is not as easy as it may seem. First, unique professional skills may be required for the diseases are different, medical resources are minimal, cultural context is challenging, and for most of us leadership skills are deficient. Secondly, caring for forgotten people also require a unique set of personal skills regarding money management, personal health maintenance, and family relationships. Finally, healthcare professionals must wisely choose their path to service, including decisions about a professional specialty, a community to serve, a sending organization, and language learning needs.

Sponsor: SLUSOM Global Health Learning Community

12:00-1:00

**International Services' New Non-Traditional Study Abroad Destinations
International Student Lounge, Des Peres Hall, Room 108**

The Office of International Services has added 8 new study abroad programs. These new and exciting programs are located all over the world and in non-traditional study abroad locations! Come to this session and learn all about the new programs in Africa, Asia, and Latin America and see what makes them so unique!

Sponsor: International Services

12:45 - 2:15 p.m.

**Helping People in a Fragile State: First Hand Public Health Experiences in Afghanistan
Busch Student Center 251**

Dr. Nasratullah Rasa and Dr. Mohammad Saber Perdes joined the School of Public Health in August 2009. They studied Master of Public Health (MPH)-Health Policy under the prestigious scholarship of Fulbright. Both of them completed their studies as distinguished students with an overall GPA of over 3.9 and they returned to their home country, Afghanistan. Dr. Rasa is currently project director of Health Partners International of Canada (HPIC), an international charity organization, while Dr. Perdes is the Health Economics Unit Head at the Ministry of Public Health (MoPH).

In addition to having full time jobs, they have worked as volunteers with the Afghanistan National Public Health Association (ANPHA). Dr. Rasa and Dr. Perdes are members of the executive board of the Afghanistan National Public Health Association (ANPHA) and they have contributed in launching the first ever world class public health journal for their country, the Afghanistan Journal of Public Health (AFJPH).

Since their return to their homeland, Dr. Rasa and Dr. Perdes have steadily progressed in their careers and have contributed significantly to the Afghanistan health system development. Most people talk about the challenges and risks of living in a developing and war torn country such as Afghanistan, but these two highly successful SPH alumni will share their experiences and present you the real picture of first hand public health experiences in a risky environment. They will talk about how they pursued their careers, the challenges they faced, and tips for becoming a young leader. They will also talk about how people in poor, fragile states struggle to

get their basic needs, including the health care services, and what opportunities exist for others to help them overcome their issues.

Sponsor: College for Public Health and Social Justice

12:45 - 2:00 p.m.

Film: Sun Come Up

McGannon Hall 260

Sun Come Up is an Academy Award nominated film that shows the human face of climate change. The film follows the relocation of the Carteret Islanders, a community living on a remote island chain in the South Pacific Ocean, and now, some of the world's first environmental refugees. When climate change threatens their survival, the islanders face a painful decision. They must leave their ancestral land in search of a new place to call home. Sun Come Up follows a group of young islanders as they search for land and build relationships in war-torn Bougainville, 50 miles across the open ocean.

Sponsor: Department of Sociology and Anthropology

12:45 - 3:00 p.m.

Water For All

Busch Student Center 352/353

Chemistry Club, Global Water Brigades, and Engineers Without Borders are presenting a multi-table information fair about the science and social justice behind clean water and its availability around the world. The science portion will include an educational presentation detailing the novel properties of water, why clean water is important, how to construct a water filter, and the science of filtration. It will include an interactive water filter demo with a premade filtration set-up provided by Chemistry Club. The social justice portion will detail the service projects that Global Water Brigades and Engineers Without Borders have conducted abroad.

Global Water Brigades will discuss its mission and projects focused on providing clean water to communities in Honduras. Global Water Brigades helps implement sustainable water infrastructure for rural communities in Honduras. Students participate in week-long brigades where they work with community members to construct cost-effective and safe water systems, as well as educate the community on a specific water related topic. Anyone looking to make a positive impact on the water crisis or raise awareness of the issue can accomplish it through Global Water Brigades! For more information about Global Water Brigades:

<http://www.globalbrigades.org/>

Engineers Without Borders will detail their mission to provide and build sustainable clean water sources in many communities across Africa. As one part of the "Water For All" Atlas Event, Engineers Without Borders will give a presentation designed to educate the audience on water issues in Africa. This will include basic water, sanitation, and supply distribution facts from countries all over the continent. The talk will also include descriptions of projects that Engineers Without Borders USA has completed in the last decade to help solve the water issues talked about above. Presenters for this part of the event will be students from SLU's Chapter of Engineers Without Borders: Ben Lund, Emily Hart, Natalie Doty, Chase Scott, and Paul Madsen. For more information about Engineers Without Borders visit: <http://www.ewb-usa.org/>

There will also be a fundraiser opportunity to donate money to The Water Project, a charity dedicated to building clean water sources.

Cosponsors: Chemistry Club, Global Brigades, Engineers Without Borders

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Health in a Globalized World: Timmy Global Health

Busch Student Center 253C

Kathy Morris, programs coordinator for Timmy Global Health, will come to speak about the influence we can have on health in this globalized world. She will discuss Timmy's mission and their aim at trying to expand access to health care on the global and local front. Those in attendance will learn how much of a difference we can make simply here in the United States in comparison to a one-week brigade. More information can be gathered from <http://www.timmyglobalhealth.org/>.

Cosponsors: Timmy Global Health, College for Public Health and Social Justice

2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

International Poetry Recital

Carlo Auditorium, Tegeler Hall

The International Poetry Recital will feature students enrolled in courses in the Department of Modern & Classical Languages. Students will recite poems in the original language (Spanish, French, German, Russian, Italian, Chinese, and possibly others). Both original texts and an English translation (or synopsis) will be projected onto a screen behind the student(s) reading the poem.

Sponsor: Department of Modern and Classical Languages

2:15 - 3:30 p.m.

Discussion Panel on "*Homeland: Refugees*"

Busch Student Center 253D

As a complement to the screening of "Homeland: Refugees," this panel includes speakers from the International Institute, Firm Foundations Refugee Tutoring program, the Center for Survivors of Torture and War Trauma, and other organizations involved in refugee resources in St. Louis. The ultimate purpose of this event, in addition to the film screening, is to bring awareness of the large refugee population in St. Louis, the struggles they face, and the ways for people to get involved.

Cosponsors: Political Science Club, Department of Political Science

2:15 - 3:30 p.m.

Contemporary Issues in Global Health: Health Disparities Between the U.S., Sweden, and Nigeria

Busch Student Center: 253A

Focusing on contemporary challenges in global health, Ruchi Aggarwal, Claire Kranz and Michael Sclarici will be presenting on health disparities between the United States, Sweden and Nigeria. Specifically, the prevalence and prevention methods for diabetes and HIV/AIDS, as well as differences in vaccinations are used to compare the health of these countries.

Sponsor: College for Public Health and Social Justice

3:00 p.m.

Everyday Islam

Busch Student Center 253B

Most people have learned what Islam is and what a Muslim is, but what does it mean for a person to be a Muslim in today's society? Join us as we have a panel of Muslim students discuss how being a Muslim affects how they go about their everyday life!

Sponsor: Muslim Student Association

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

The Global Fight Against Human Trafficking, From Bangkok to St. Louis

Busch Student Center 352/353

Amnesty International at Saint Louis University is proud to host Onésimo Sandoval and Rebecca Feldmann in a presentation concerning a critical human rights issue: human trafficking. The presentation will provide insight into the underground world of sex and labor trafficking around the world, with an emphasis on raising awareness of prevalence of human trafficking in the Midwestern United States. These kinds of human rights violations are often overlooked as a real problem in the U.S. In fact, the U.S. Midwest has been noted to be a hub of human trafficking by numerous research centers. Onésimo Sandoval is an Assistant Professor of Sociology and Anthropology at SLU, and Rebecca Feldmann is a staff attorney on the Immigration Law Project at the Legal Services of Eastern Missouri. Come join us in discussing this critical human rights issue and become inspired to take action in your community.

Cosponsors: Amnesty International at Saint Louis University, The Immigration Law Project

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

Film: *Words of Witness*

Busch Student Center 253C

Every time 22-year-old Heba Afify heads out to cover the historical events shaping her country's future, her mother is compelled to remind her, 'I know you are a journalist, but you're still a girl!' Defying cultural norms and family expectations, Heba takes to the streets to report on an Egypt in turmoil, using tweets, texts and posts. Her coming of age, political awakening and the disillusionment that follows mirrors that of a nation seeking the freedom to shape its own destiny and democracy.

Cosponsors: Film Studies Program, Women's Studies Program, Department of English

4:00 p.m.

Color or Wealth: Which Matters

Busch Student Center 253A

The goal of our event is to bring to light the Fisher vs. University of Texas at Austin court case on race-based affirmative action. We will have professors from the School of Law and the Departments of African American Studies and Political Science who will provide insight on the topic. From there, we will have round table discussions to further engage students and other attendants. The discussion will make us agents of social change.

Sponsor: SLU/FUSE

4:00 p.m.

Sustainable Health Care Development in Haiti

School of Medicine, Lecture Hall 1

The presentation will describe thirteen years of experiences conducting sustainable medical mission ministry interventions in Haiti through Randolph World Ministries, Inc. (RWM). Common models of medical missions will be discussed and contrasted to the model used by RWM. Processes, systems, and successes experienced by RWM will be discussed.

Cosponsors: Department of Clinical Laboratory Sciences, Doisy College of Health Sciences, Randolph World Ministries Inc.

4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

The Third World Near You: Crossing the Great Divide, Part II

Busch Student Center 251

In our focus on global issues we sometimes lose track of the global aspect of our local communities. In America today there are communities hidden in plain sight by years of discrimination, social and economic isolation, and confusion as to the best course of action for engaging them because of racial/ethnic divisions. These communities experience conditions filled with social and economic challenges similar to those in third world communities around the globe. From extreme economic deprivation to health disparities of significant proportions, the challenges are many, and require concerted and organized strategies for engaging and supporting the community residents visions for change. A panel will follow up on information given during previous Atlas Weeks with sessions providing updated academic presentations on conditions and challenges, as well as perspectives of student travelers on this Third World beyond the gates.

Cosponsors: Department of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Public Health, Social Work (College for Public Health and Social Justice), School of Medicine

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Signature Symposium Featuring John Prendergast: "Conflict Resources and Conflict Prevention: The Case of Congo, The World's Deadliest War"

Wool Ballroom, Busch Student Center

Anyone who has a cell phone or a laptop computer is inadvertently, innocently helping to fuel the deadliest war in the world since World War II, in which over five million people have lost their lives in Congo. The primary driver of conflict there is the violent contest for control of the mines that produce minerals used to power our electronic products. John Prendergast will discuss solutions to this conflict, and how students hold a significant key to peace in the Congo given their power as consumers.

Sponsor: ATLAS Planning Committee

Friday, April 12

9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Lynda R. Campbell Memorial Lecture: Topics in Diversity

International Service that Really Serves:

Experiences in Latin America and Africa

Pere Marquette Gallery, DuBourg Hall

In most countries throughout the world speech-language pathology and audiology are underdeveloped fields with only a handful of professionals. Over the past decade, however, U.S.-based SLPs and Audiologists have begun to travel and offer their services abroad. Some trips are study tours, others provide direct services, and a few develop university training programs.

Dr. Cate Crowley has significant international experience in places like Ghana, Bolivia, and Guatemala. On most trips she brings a team of graduate students and clinical supervisors who provide services and offer professional development in schools and hospitals, across practice areas including aural habilitation, intellectual disabilities, cleft palate, aphasia, and autism. With the goal of developing sustainable programs and building in-country capacity, Cate works throughout the year on these programs using available technology. In this talk Cate shares proven approaches and strategies, and offers reflections on challenges and unsuccessful initiatives. She also focuses on long- and short-term benefits to her team, and to her university SLP program. Attendees are encouraged to ask questions and raise concerns related to their own interests in international work.

Catherine J. Crowley, CCC-SLP, JD, PhD,

Distinguished Senior Lecturer in speech-language pathology at Teachers College Columbia University, founded and directs the bilingual/multicultural program focus and the Bilingual Extension Institute. In Ghana, Bolivia, and Guatemala she creates innovative, sustainable approaches to meeting the needs of people with communication disabilities. An experienced attorney, Cate is working with NYCDOE on a multi-year project to improve the accuracy of disability evaluations. Cate, an ASHA fellow, received the "2012 Humanitarian Award" from the National Council of Ghanaian Associations, and ASHA's certificates for "Contributions to Multicultural Affairs" and for "International Achievement".

Cosponsors: Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders, College of Arts and Sciences

11:45 a.m.

Parade of Nations

Quad

The Parade of Nations kicks off the Billiken World Festival activities and features SLU students carrying flags from around the world.

Cosponsors: Cross Cultural Center, International Student Federation, ATLAS Planning Committee

12:00-2:00p.m.

Billiken World Festival

Quad

Every April, the International Student Federation (ISF) and the Cross Cultural Center organize the hugely successful Billiken World Festival, which caps off the Atlas Week Program. The Parade of Nations kicks off the Billiken World Festival activities and features SLU students carrying flags from around the world. At the Billiken World Festival, student organizations offer delicious foods representing their respective cultures, heritages, and countries.

Cosponsors: Cross Cultural Center, International Student Federation, ATLAS Planning Committee

12:-12:50p.m.

Idealism & Impact: Lessons from Haiti

Learning Resource Center, Pitlyk Auditorium A

Geared toward any student interested in volunteering abroad in the developing world, this student-led presentation will center around experiences and perspectives gained by two SLU students, a medical student and premedical undergraduate, from a 2011 summer mission trip to Haiti with Randolph World Ministries, a Christian medical aid organization. They will focus on the structure, the accomplishments, and the challenges of the trip, as well as the team's infectious disease and sickle cell anemia research efforts. The presenters will then "zoom out" to critically examine their work within the greater context: that of student volunteerism in developing countries and also the work of religious and secular non-governmental organizations in Haiti, which has been called as "the Republic of NGOs." Heavily stressed will be the importance of fostering cultural competency and understanding as well as stepping outside one's own comfort zone in volunteering effectively abroad.

Cosponsors: SLUSOM Global Health Learning Community, SLUSOM Infectious Diseases Interest Group

3:00 p.m.

Intergenerational Justice

Adorjan 142

A panel discussion with graduate students, undergraduate students, and a faculty member from the Philosophy Department on Inter-Generational Justice. What is Inter-Generational Justice? How does it affect Globalization? What sort of responsibilities do we have to future generations? On the global scale?

Sponsor: Philosophy Club

4:30 p.m.

Careers in Aging: Film Screening and Discussion - "The Best Marigold Hotel"

Washington University Danforth Campus, Brown Hall, Room 118

Are you interested in pursuing a career in aging? Are you currently working with older adults? In celebration of Careers in Aging Week, we are hosting a FREE screening of The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, followed by a panel that will discuss aging-related themes portrayed in the film.

Doors Open: 4:30 p.m.

Film: 5:00 p.m.

Panel Discussion: 7:00 p.m.

Networking: 8:00 p.m.

Panel Discussants:

Dr. Ahmed Baig, Saint Louis University, School of Medicine

Jennifer Greenfield, Washington University, Brown School

Nancy Menchhofer, Alzheimer's Association volunteer and caregiver

Sherrill Wayland, SAGE Metro St. Louis

This event is free and open to the public. Drinks and appetizers will be served.

Register for the event: publichealth.wustl.edu/aging

Questions? Contact CenterforAging@wustl.edu or 314.747.9234.

Sponsors: Gerontology Program - University of Missouri-St. Louis, Brown School Gerontology Student Association and Harvey A. Friedman Center for Aging -Washington University, School of Social Work -Saint Louis University, Alzheimer's Association - St. Louis Chapter, Gerontological Society of America, and Association for Gerontology in Higher Education.

Saturday, April 13

8:30 a.m.

Showers of Service

***R.S.V.P. Required, Robert Hermann Soccer Stadium**

Students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to register for the annual Showers of Service event to be held Saturday, April 13. Similar to "Make A Difference Day" held in the fall, "Showers of Service" is an annual campus-wide day of service sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega. The day will begin with an opening ceremony at 8:30 a.m. in Robert Hermann Soccer Stadium. This year's keynote speaker will be Jorge Riopedre, director of Casa de Salud. Breakfast, lunch and t-shirts will be provided for volunteers the day of the event. Sign-up sheets for groups and individuals are now available at <http://apo.slu.edu/sos> and must be returned by Wednesday, April 3. For more information, email slu.apo.sos@gmail.com.

Sponsor: Alpha Phi Omega

7:30 - 10:30 p.m.

SUFAlalooza

Crave Coffee House

SUFAlalooza is the annual fundraiser for Students United for Africa (SUFA). Entrance to the event is free, although donations are always accepted. There will be catered African food, African bracelets, and t-shirts for sale. All proceeds from the event go directly to Manyoro School in Northern Ghana, which is the school that SUFA supports. This year, SUFAlalooza will include African performers and a fashion show of African clothing. There will also be speakers to talk about topics related to SUFA's mission of increasing awareness of African issues and supporting education. Come to enjoy cultural music, performances, food, and to support a great cause!

Sponsor: Students United for Africa

8:00-11:00 p.m.

Salsa Extravaganza

Saint Louis Room, Busch Student Center

Come celebrate the end of ATLAS Week with HALO (Hispanic-American Leadership Organization)! Our evening will include free salsa dance lessons, lots of salsa and other Latin American music, and an open floor to show us your new dance moves! We will have a DJ, and salsa lessons will be taught by Alex Ocasio. For info e-mail halo@slu.edu.

Cosponsors: Hispanic American Leadership Organization, Latin American Studies Program, Department of Modern & Classical Languages - Spanish Division, the Global Villa, Billikens After Dark

Ongoing Events

April 8 - 12

12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Pulsera Project Sales

Busch Student Center, Table in the North Lobby

The Pulsera Project sells bracelets made in Nicaragua. The funds earned in the U.S. are then sent back to Nicaragua to help with child poverty, promotion of education, and other ways of aiding the poor youth of the country. As a complement to their Atlas Week event, students will be selling bracelets from the Pulsera Project throughout the week, and will send the proceeds back to Nicaragua.

Cosponsors: Department of Modern & Classical Languages - Spanish Division, Latin American Studies Program

April 8 - 12

Nutrition & Dietetics Posters Display: Habits & Cultural Characteristics of Ethnic Populations who Immigrate to the U.S.

Fresh Gatherings, Doisy College of Health Sciences

Posters developed by Dietetic Students will be on display in Fresh Gatherings cafe located in the Doisy College of Health Sciences. The posters will display common dietary habits and cultural characteristics that affect dietary practices of ethnic populations who immigrate to the U.S. The posters were created to increase awareness of the wide variety of dietary habits and foods that ethnic populations who immigrate to the U.S. bring to our nation.

Cosponsors: Department of Nutrition and Dietetics, Doisy College of Health Sciences

April

The Writings & Works of John Prendergast: An Exhibit

Pius XII Memorial Library Entrance

This exhibit focuses on the writings and human rights work of Atlas Week keynote speaker John Prendergast. It includes works written by Prendergast and held in the University Libraries, as well as information about the author and his work in Africa. Items from the collection providing supplemental information on these topics are also included.

Sponsor: Pius XII Memorial Library

April - May

Saint Louis University Health Sciences Exhibit: Global and Local Advocacy

Medical Center Library

Sponsor: Medical Center Library

Saint Louis University's Medical Center has established linkages of support for Uzima University, a new Catholic medical school in Kenya serving the Great Lakes region and surrounding areas of Uganda, Tanzania, Sudan, Ethiopia, Malawi, Zambia, and Eritrea.

"Uzima" is the Swahili word denoting the wholeness of life. The institution's main focus is: "service to life in its wholeness and all that nurtures life from its physical, spiritual, social, economic and ecological aspects." The institution was established by Kenyan Archbishop of Kisumu who aims to provide access to quality health care services in areas of greatest need.

The exhibit features the ways that are being developed at SLU's Medical Center to support the programs and resources of the Uzima University (<http://www.uzimauniversity.ac.ke>) that includes schools of medicine, nursing, and informatics.