

ATLAS 2016 SCHEDULE

Monday

Coffee and Conversation with Roya Massoudnia

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

R.S.V.P. Required

Sponsored by: SLU Political Round Table, The Atlas Program

Come join SLU Political Round Table and SLU Atlas Week for one of this year's ATLAS Coffee and Conversations! We will be sitting down with SLU student Roya Massoudnia, who will be telling us about her experience growing up and returning to Iran, becoming politically involved in the country, and life as an Iranian student at SLU.

The Sunni-Shia Divide: Social and Economic Implications

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

Busch Student Center 251AB

Sponsored by: Boeing Institute of International Business, Middle East Studies Program

The Iraq war has revived the age-old Sunni-Shia divide and deepened sectarian crisis across the Middle East. Spearheaded by regional powerhouses and fueled by extremists on both sides, the divide has escalated into devastating conflicts in Syria, Yemen and Iraq, and has threatened stability in others. This divide and its social and economic implications will be explored by Dr. Benmamoun.

The Intersection of Trauma and Education: A Rising Reality in Belize City, Belize

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

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: College for Public Health and Social Justice, Center for Service and Community Engagement, Belize 2020

When asked if she was afraid gang shootings would happen again, the student responded, "Everyday." Despite its small size, Belize has a disproportio

nately high prevalence of violence, particularly due to the influx of gangs and the international drug trade. This violence is concentrated in Belize City's south side, precisely where the Jesuit primary school, St. Martin de Porres, is located. This presentation will discuss the realities of Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and gang-related violence for the children of St. Martin's, and the role of Saint Louis University plays in advancing health and education in Belize.

Researching Immigration and Refugee Migration

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

Pius Library, LL7

Sponsored by: University Libraries

Are you interested in studying immigration and refugee migration around the world, or even a specific group of immigrants or refugees here in St. Louis or elsewhere in the U.S.? This workshop will get you started on places to find primary sources and statistics on these topics, as well as get you connected with librarians to help you find more specific information on your topic after the workshop.

Cultural Taste: Thai Songkran Festival

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship Sponsored by: Thai Student Group, Office of International Services

Thai students will celebrate their new year, and they would like to invite all members of the SLU community to participate!

Theatre Production: "Mukashi, Mukashi"

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Des Peres Hall, Room 213

Sponsored by: Department of Fine and Performing Arts

This colorful production features classic Asian tales told by Hoichi, a blind poet, about a mysterious Crane, and Chu, the wily trickster. People and puppets perform these famous tales from China and Japan and prove that magic is all around you every day! Conceived and co-written by theatre alumni director, Louise Hung. Presented by the Introduction to Theatre Class THR 15000.

Dentistry Around the World

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Ringenberg Lecture Hall, Room 2031

Sponsored by: Center for Advanced Dental Education (CADE) Faculty, Staff & Students

Dr. Hiroshi Ueno, Assistant Professor, Graduate Orthodontic Program, will give a presentation regarding his country's geography, educational experiences, and culture.

Digital Activism: Global and Local

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 251AB

Sponsored by: Pi Sigma Alpha, Department of Political Science

Dr. Chryl Laird, Assistant Professor of Political Science and African American Studies, will be speaking about digital activism on both global and domestic levels, referencing local events like the Ferguson movements, and the larger scope of #blacklivesmatter.

Israel: First Responders to World Crises

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253C

Sponsored by: Jewish Student Association

Along with being one of the most innovative nations in the world, Israel has also become one of the more reliable First Responders over the past couple of decades. In this exciting and informative event, the Jewish Student Association will discuss how Israel often sends aid to nations hit by natural disasters, health epidemics, and conflict (including Syria, Haiti, Taiwan, and even here in St. Louis). Free snacks and beverages will be provided!

SLU's Environmental Impact: An Overview of Greenhouse Gas Emissions

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: Center for Sustainability and Office of Sustainability & Benchmarking

It is becoming best practice for institutions of higher education to quantify their environmental impact through a greenhouse gas inventory. As we face the issues of climate change, a greenhouse gas inventory gives us the ability to measure and take action to reduce our environmental impact on the Earth. This presentation will define greenhouse gas emissions, explain the University's total emissions, and suggest actionable steps that can be taken to reduce them. Speaker: Abby Kansal, Masters Student in the Center for Sustainability and Sustainability Coordinator - Graduate Assistant for the Office of Sustainability & Benchmarking. SLU's Greenhouse Gas Report: <http://www.slu.edu/facilities-services-home/sustainability/campus-operations/greenhouse-gas-inventory>

Should SLU Fly the UN Flag?

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253B

Sponsored by: Department of Theological Studies, Citizens for Global Solutions

This program will explain the importance of flying the United Nations flag as a means of promoting world citizenship. Professor David Oughton of the Department of Theological Studies at SLU, and Professor Ronald Glossop of the Philosophy Department at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will discuss various ways of supporting and improving the United Nations.

Film - "Ferguson Documented: In 36 Hours"

2:15 - 2:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: The Film Studies Program and Department of Political Science

On August 5, 2014, Michael Brown, an 18 year-old black teenager was killed by a white police officer in the town of Ferguson, Missouri. What appeared to be yet another police involved shooting of an unarmed black man proved to be something more. The outrage over the killing of Michael Brown served to mobilize not only

residents of Ferguson's black community, but the incident sparked massive protests and public demonstrations in both large and small communities across the country. The events of Ferguson forced white, middle class America to confront issues of racism and policing in communities of color. The documentary explores these issues through a diverse collection of voices sharing their experiences. Directed by Carla Usher.

Film - "Township Lessons from the Cape of Good Hope"

2:30 - 3:15 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: The Film Studies Program and Department of Political Science

This documentary tells the story of people living in the Cape Flats area outside of Cape Town, South Africa (referred to as informal settlements), 20 years after the end of Apartheid. How do township residents in slums cope with gang-related crime, unemployment, and poverty in a country still very much struggling with racism, underdevelopment, and inequality? Directed by Michael Fischer.

InSLUusive Language Gallery and Dialogue

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 251AB

Sponsored by: The InSLUusive Committee, The Residence Hall Association

The InSLUusive Language Campaign will be displaying their posters combatting common microaggressions that we use in our day to day speech. We would like to open the floor to anyone who would like to come discuss the posters, or other common issues that they think go on across our campus.

Activism & Privilege

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship, Multipurpose Room

Sponsored by: Actio, Una

A panel comprised of SLU activists, including students, faculty, and staff members, will discuss mission work, voluntourism, responsibility and accountability, and emotional well-being of all involved parties.

Intercultural Competence in Practice: Becoming Life-Long Learners of Global Citizenship

3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: SLU International Faculty & Staff Association (IFSA)

This panel session aims to explore Intercultural competence, which is the ability to navigate between, or among, cultures. How is it practiced in everyday life? Different perspectives and experiences on this life-long learning process will be presented. Participants in the panel session will include faculty, staff, and international and domestic students.

Alleviating Poverty through Microfinance

3:45 - 5:00 p.m.

John Cook School of Business, Room 330

Sponsored by: Global Brigades, Boeing Institute of International Business, John Cook School of Business

2016 SLU Global Microfinance Brigade participants will discuss their trip as well as dig deeper as business students into what microfinance is, and how it has the power to alleviate extreme poverty in Honduras and the rest of the world.

Non-Traditional Study Abroad: Round Table Discussion

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253C

Sponsored by: Department of Political Science

This round-table event will be hosted by students who participated in non-traditional study abroad programs. Students from the CASA programs and other service-learning programs will share their experiences of living in community in a foreign land, learning alongside native students, investigating diverse spiritualities, and walking with disadvantaged populations. Discussions will be cultivated to reflect on cultural immersion, social justice, service-learning, and accompaniment.

Immigration Reform 101: Discussing the History and Current Directions of this Hot Button Issue

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: SLU's Student Delegation to the Ignatian Family Teach-in for Justice, Department of Political Science

The event will be hosted by a group of SLU students who attended the Ignatian Family Teach-in for Justice in November. This delegation of students can be referred to, unofficially, as the Billiken Action Network (BAN). The five students of the BAN to host the event will be Noelle Janak, Erik Solario, Cassie Houghton, Adele Schenk, and Lija Siliunas. They made up the BAN's immigration research team. The event will seek to inform, inspire, and incite action. We will share our story of how we informed ourselves on the immigration crisis, and what we learned. We will then inspire compassion and political awareness by explaining which bills have been proposed most recently. Then, we will have small group discussions exploring how those bills would contribute to social justice, and what would a just compromise on immigration reform look like. We will have questions guiding these small group discussions. Following that, we will summarize our conversations as a large group. Then, we will describe our experience advocating in D.C., and encourage the audience's participation in political activism. Everyone will be invited to identify their state representatives, and then to save their phone number. We will demonstrate how to call a congressional office in support of an issue and invite the audience to do the same.

Interfaith Prayer Service

5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

St. Francis Xavier College Church

Sponsored by: InterFaith Alliance

SLU InterFaith Alliance would like to invite you to our 8th Annual Prayer Service, which kicks off SLU's Atlas Week, a week-long bonanza of cultural and social justice-based events centered on a theme of social justice. Similar to years in the past, the members of the SLU and greater St. Louis community will be presenting prayer, scripture or musical performances representing their own tradition. Following the service, free ethnic cuisine will be provided. The goal of the Interfaith Prayer Service is to bring people of faith and non-faith backgrounds together for an afternoon of prayer, music and reflection.

Inclusion: An International Perspective on Disability

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Il Monastero, Sanctuary

Sponsored by: School of Education

This is a faculty led roundtable discussion which incorporates an international perspective on the topic of disability education, with particular emphasis as it pertains to international higher education learners (both domestic and international) that attend institutions in the U.S. and abroad. The discussants are domestic and international researchers with a focused interest in disability education.

The Student Experience On-Campus Related to the Crisis in Ferguson

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253C

Sponsored by: Department of Nutrition and Dietetics, Doisy College of Health Sciences and the School of Education

Whitney Linsenmeyer, MS RD LD, and Tommy Lucas, MPA MA, will present the findings of their research on the student experience on-campus during the crisis in Ferguson, Missouri during the 2014-2015 school year. This will be followed by an open discussion on students' experiences on-campus, during crises around the world. Participants will be encouraged to share their own experiences, listen to the stories of their peers, and engage in a safe and open discussion. Whitney Linsenmeyer is a faculty member in the Department of Nutrition and Dietetics at Saint Louis University; Tommy Lucas is a graduate assistant in the SLU School of Education. Whitney and Tommy have published their research on local college and universities' reactions to the events in Ferguson in the Western Journal of Black Studies, and have presented their findings at regional and international conferences.

Film - "A Place in the Middle"

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253B

Sponsored by: Rainbow Alliance, Asian American Association, Asian Studies Program

"A Place in the Middle" is a 30-minute documentary depicting a child coming of age in Hawaii while not conforming to American gender identity, but rather, a gender identity from traditional Hawaiian culture. After the film screening, Rainbow and AAA will facilitate discussion on gender identities across the globe and what it means to understand gender in cultural terms.

Where Do We Fit In?: U.S Health Rankings in the Global Community

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: Public Health Club, One World, and Active Minds

This week SLU's Public Health Club would like to recognize National Public Health Week and its theme, Healthiest Nation 2030, throughout Atlas week. In conjunction with Atlas's theme, Reaching Across Borders: Embracing Our Global Community, we are presenting information on where we stand as a nation regarding various health rankings in the global community. Unfortunately, there are many areas of health where the United States performs poorly compared to many of the other high-income countries. According to the American Public Health Association, study after study supports two conclusions: a.) The U.S. spends more on health care, but has worse health outcomes than comparable countries around the globe. This holds true across age and income groups; b.) Within the U.S., there are unacceptable disparities in health by race and ethnic group, county by county, and state by state. As an organization we want to highlight some of these health outcomes, and how we can work to change these disparities to become the Healthiest Nation 2030. Every person that comes to this event and signs our "Healthiest Nation 2030" pledge, will have the opportunity to enter our raffle for various prizes! For more information, please go to: <http://www.nphw.org/>

Be the {Global} Match

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: Be the Match On Campus

Students from SLU will be presenting on the "Be the Match" National non-profit organization and how it is saving lives by matching people around the world. Questions about who needs bone marrow transplants, how donors and recipients are matched, and why this is a global issue will be answered, with an opportunity to join the bone marrow registry immediately following the presentation.

Self Defense Seminar with SLU Karate

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Simon Recreation Center, Multipurpose Room I

Sponsored by: SLU Karate

Roundhouse kick! Reverse punch! Ready to learn self-defense? Come join SLU Karate, the oldest martial arts club on campus, as we host a self defense seminar designed specifically for beginners. You'll not only learn to protect yourself, but enjoy a great workout. No matter your experience level, you'll walk out feeling empowered!

Tuesday

Film - "Ferguson Documented: In 36 Hours"

9:30 - 9:45 a.m.

Xavier Hall, Room 128

Sponsored by: The Film Studies Program

On August 5, 2014, Michael Brown an 18 year-old black teenager was killed by a white police officer in the town of Ferguson, Missouri. What appeared to be yet another police involved shooting of an unarmed black man proved to be something more. The outrage over the killing of Michael Brown served to mobilize not only residents of Ferguson's black community, but the incident sparked massive protests and public demonstrations in both large and small communities across the country. The events of Ferguson forced white, middle class America to confront issues of racism and policing in communities of color. The documentary explores these issues through a diverse collection of voices sharing their experiences. Directed by Carla Usher.

Resettlement 101

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Center for Global Citizenship, Seminar Room 124

Sponsored by: Center for Global Citizenship, Center for International Studies, Department of Political Science, Middle East Studies Program

Join us as members of the St. Louis community speak to the refugee resettlement process from both the professional and personal experience. People who have been through the process, as well as the professionals that work with resettled peoples, will speak to what this process looks like and debunk common myths or misunderstandings. The brief presentations will be followed by a Q & A.

The League of Faiths: An Introduction

11:00 - 11:45 a.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: The League of Faiths

The League of Faiths is a NGO (Non-governmental organization) like no other. By bringing together the various religious groups of the world in an atmosphere of cooperation the League looks to ease many of the issues facing the world today. Along with the cooperative emphasis, the League looks to work with its members in order to facilitate aid, diplomacy, and humanitarian relief around the world.

Homeless Handbook

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

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: College for Public Health and Social Justice

Two public health students, Bindi Patel and Souyma Banna, are working on an independent project to raise awareness about the issue of homelessness within the SLU community. The first part of the project entailed creating a brief handbook for homeless individuals containing a wealth of information regarding social services. These handbooks can be passed out to homeless individuals near SLU's campus (Shell, Metro, Starbucks,

etc). The goal is to empower them to take charge of their situation and seek help. Our Atlas week event is dedicated to an enlightening discussion of homelessness and motivating people to dispense these handbooks when the opportunity presents itself.

Mavuno: Grassroots Development Approaches to Ending Extreme Poverty

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship, Seminar Room 124

Sponsored by: Mavuno, Department of Political Science, Center for International Studies

Join us for a panel discussion on this grassroots, community-centered approach to ending extreme poverty. The event will feature Mavuno, a nonprofit that empowers village leaders to end extreme poverty in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). Mavuno believes the solution to this lies in the talent and creativity of the local communities and seeks to partner with them to co-create solutions from the inside out. The panelists will share stories from their own experiences, as well as successes and lessons learned since the launching of Mavuno. **Free food!** For more information, visit: mavunocongo.org

Speakers:

Dan Myatt, Mavuno, Co-Founder and CEO

Melissa Edmiston, Mavuno, VP of Operations

Dr. Emmanuel Uwalaka, Associate Professor of Political Science

The North Saint Louis Symposium: What Is Its Value?

12:00 - 1:30 p.m

Busch Student Center 253C

Sponsored by: Department of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy, College for Public Health and Social Justice, Center for Service and Community Engagement, Office of Mission and Identity, Office of Diversity and Community Engagement

This panel discussion will attempt to answer the following questions: What is the value of the North Saint Louis Symposium and the types of partnerships it aims to support and encourage? What are the expected and unexpected outcomes and benefits that stem from the Symposium and the North St. Louis Initiative, overall? The panel will include brief remarks from student, faculty, and community partner presenters, as well as comments from University and City officials who attended the event. All presenters will discuss the importance of the Symposium and its relevance for the types of work in which they are engaged.

Treating Trauma: The Reality for Global and Local Refugees

12:45 - 2:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: College for Public Health and Social Justice, Active Minds

How do you heal the deepest wounds of war? St. Louis is home to over 65,000 refugees and immigrants, many of whom have been driven from their homes by violence in their communities. In 1998, Sr. Jean Abbott founded the St. Louis Center for Victims of Torture and War Trauma, where she worked to facilitate the healing process for refugee and immigrant individuals and families who have survived torture and war. Working across the globe as a trauma therapist, Sr. Jean and others will present on the realities of mental health and why trauma matters both locally and globally.

Film - "Va' Pensiero. Walking Stories": A Documentary on Refugees, Violence and Survival in Italy

12:45 - 2:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: The Atlas Program and Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures

"Va' Pensiero. Walking Stories is a documentary made by Dagmawi, survivor of Mediterranean crossings. The documentary Va' Pensiero - Walking stories is an interwoven account of two racist attacks in Milan and Florence and the victims' painful attempts to piece the fragments of their lives back together. In central Milan, Mohamed Ba, a 50 year old Senegalese griot (bard), actor and teacher and resident in Italy for 14 years, is knifed in broad daylight on May 31, 2009. In Florence, residents Mor e Cheikj, also immigrants from Senegal, are beaten on December 31, 2011 whilst working in the San Lorenzo market. This powerful account brings together the overlapping stories of the three protagonists' ordeal and their enduring hope of building a life in Italy, despite the fear and uncertainty of suddenly being plunged back to the moment of the attacks by one look or gesture. The director Dagmawi Yimer, a refugee from Ethiopia, shows us what violence looks like through the eyes of the victim.

Addressing Breast and Prostate Cancer Disparities in our Community Through Strong Partnerships

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253B

Sponsored by: Saint Louis University Center for Cancer Prevention, Research and Outreach, The Breakfast Club Inc., and The Empowerment Network

This is an event that celebrates the work that the SLU Center for Cancer Prevention, Research and Outreach (CCPRO) has done, along with their community partners the Breakfast Club and the Empowerment Network to eliminate cancer related health disparities in the St. Louis community. The Breakfast Club, Inc (BCI) is a breast cancer advocacy and service group created and maintained by breast cancer survivors. The Empowerment Network (TEN) is a prostate cancer support and service organization that is run by prostate cancer survivors. Together CCPRO, BCI and TEN have reached thousands in the community. We look forward to sharing information on the different parents and the work they are doing to the SLU and wider community.

Speakers:

- *Dr. Ricardo Wray*, Associate Professor of Behavioral Science and Health Education, College for Public Health and Social Justice (CPHSJ), Saint Louis University
- *Sherrill Jackson*, Founding President of The Breakfast Club, Inc.

- *Robin Wright Jones*, Former State Senator and Executive Director of the Empowerment

Network **Serving the Underserved: Healthcare in North St. Louis**

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253C

Sponsored by: Department of Health Information Management, Doisy College of Health Sciences

The community of North St. Louis houses a largely, under-insured and uninsured population that suffers greatly from the absence of affordable and accessible healthcare. The research we will present focuses on the Health Resource Center, a free healthcare clinic operated by Saint Louis University medical students. Through analysis of common health complaints, diagnoses, and chronic conditions, the issues affecting the health of North St. Louis's residents can be seen. In this presentation, we will discuss what can be done about these issues and how we can contribute to the betterment of the area, which is in such close proximity to SLU.

Her Story: Educate a Woman, Educate a Nation

2:15 - 3:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: The Film Studies Program

A short film on the experiences of three girls from low income families in Ghana striving to become the first females in their families to go to college. Sally Nuamah returns to the homelands of her parents, Ghana, to do a field research on the determinants of academic success for female students in urban Ghana today. In her research, she takes a rare look into the lives of young women who attend secondary school in Ghana and realizes that collectively there is an overarching story. By taking a brief look at the lives of these young women, the film maker helps us understand the spirituality, discipline, and determination that gives these students the ability to surpass the obstacles presented by their present circumstances and be academically successful. Directed by Sally Nuamah.

Beyond Tolerance: Queer Identity and the Jesuit Mission

2:15 - 3:15 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253B

Sponsored by: Free to Be

Queer people of faith rarely, if ever, have a chance for their voices to be heard while holding both of those identities, we would like to facilitate a discussion on what it would look like for queer people to be more than just tolerated or accepted within the Church. We will discuss what it would look like for queer people of faith to be radically included.

Coffee and Conversation with Dr. Fred Rottnek

2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

R.S.V.P. Required

Sponsored by: Political Round Table and the Atlas Program

Join ATLAS and SLU Political Round Table as we sit down with Dr. Fred Rottneck, Associate Professor and Director of Community Medicine in the Saint Louis University School of Medicine. He is also the Director of

Community Services at the Institute for Research and Education in Family Medicine (IREFM) of which he was a founding physician. IREFM is a non-profit corporation devoted to improving access to quality health care for the poor and most seriously disadvantaged. IREFM develops innovative community partnerships, which are designed to promote and deliver health care to marginalized people. He is also a Chief physician in corrections medicine at the St. Louis County Department of Health. Additionally, Dr. Rottnek has worked with many local homeless shelters and non-profit agencies, providing direct, on-site health care services to people in shelters and other locations where they go to obtain goods and services needed for their day to day survival. Dr. Rottnek's life integrates the practice of medicine with his love of teaching, commitment to social justice, spirituality, and theology. His patients are the homeless and those incarcerated in St. Louis County.

Russian Science & Technology: Its Significance and Why It Is Now Threatened

3:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 351

Sponsored by: Russian Club, Department of Languages, Literatures, & Cultures - Russian Division

Throughout history, Russia has been an important participant within the scientific community. Many great scientists and thinkers originated from Russia, such as Nikola Tesla who changed the way energy is used by refining and applying alternating current. There are many other notable figures who have improved many fields of science, and the country of Russia itself. For example, the Space Race has influenced scientific minds in Russia and other nations. Even today, Russia continues to show its scientific prowess. So why is it important to recognize this? Many external and internal factors have been contributing to the dwindling and alienation of the Russian scientific community, which will have potentially negative results not only for Russia, but for other countries as well. This presentation aims to present the significance of Russian science, what factors are hindering its development, and to suggest possible solutions to this ever-growing problem.

Small Gestures, Big Impact: What Can We Do as a SLU Community to Welcome International Students?

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 254

Sponsored by: School of Education, Office of Admission, Chinese Student and Scholars Association, International Ambassadors

During 2014-15 academic year, international students contributed \$30.5 billions dollars and supported more than 373,000 jobs to the U.S. economy (NAFSA, 2015). In addition to economic contribution and an increase of globalization on American college campuses, international students who were fond of American culture were more likely to become allies of the U.S. government, after they return to their home countries as U.S. alumni.

While higher education institutions continue to enroll international students, it is crucial for each member of the college community to understand how small gestures we exhibit as individuals, make a big impact on the international students' cultural adaptation experiences. The aim of this presentation is to provide an opportunity for participants to experience how those seemingly trivial cultural differences impact our interactions with each other, and how the misleading interactions then dictate our perception of each other. When we become aware of our inexperience, we will be able to start looking at what we can do as individuals to create a welcoming environment for everyone. The presentation will consist of a simulation cultural game, Barnaga, which allows participants to experience how our perceptions of other people impact our interaction when we assume that everyone understands our unspoken rules.

Race and the Death Penalty

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: Students For Life

In this presentation, members of SLU's Students For Life will be discussing the link between race and the death penalty in America.

Bias and Cultural Competency: Bilingual and Foreign-Born Assistance

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 256

Sponsored by: College for Public Health and Social Justice

The presenter of The Universal Golden Rule: Treat Others as They Want to be Treated in Culture Competency. Julia Ostropolsky is the founder, president, and CEO of Bilingual International Assistant Services (BIAS), a local nonprofit 501 (C) 3 organization established as a response to the unmet needs of the many seniors who had limited ability in the English language. Ms. Ostropolsky's family arrived in the U.S. as stateless refugees at the end of the Soviet era, and as she grew up, she witnessed the struggles of her family and the Russian-speaking community to adapt to and understand their new lives in America. After graduating from the University of Toledo, she received her Masters in Social Work from Washington University and became a Licensed Clinical Social Worker. BIAS offers many services for seniors, such as mental health services, naturalization assistance, language interpretation, and more. Julia will be giving a presentation on a couple of different topics. These include understanding the role of bias in our daily lives, identifying personal biases, improving and understanding the needs for the Limited English Proficient, and helping the foreign born succeed. This presentation will be followed by questions and answers.

Worker's Rights, Environmental Justice, and Sustainable Eating: Animal Agriculture's Effects on the World

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 251AB

Sponsored by: OneWorld Magazine, Billikens for Clean Water, Public Health Club

We will be screening part of a food documentary and hosting Billikens for Clean Water to speak about food and the impacts of processing food on our water supply.

Beyond Boundaries: Understanding the Context of Syrian Immigrants and Refugees

4:30 - 6:00 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship Seminar Room 124

Sponsored by: Department of Sociology and Anthropology, International Institute of St. Louis, Islamic Foundation of Greater St. Louis

This session is a formal presentation followed by a panel discussion on immigrants and refugees from Syria and Muslim countries in general. Ms. Suzanne LeLaurin, Sr. VP for Programs at International Institute of St. Louis, will give a formal presentation to explain the context of Syrian refugees. The panelists will include a

representative from the Islamic Foundation of Greater St. Louis and a few SLU students who have Muslim background. The session is open to the public.

Using a Gap Year to Embrace Global Citizenship

4:45 - 5:45 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253B

Sponsored by: Center for Service and Community Engagement

Ever wondered why you have to choose your career path at such an early age? Have you ever felt that taking time off from formal education would help you figure out what you were passionate about? Have you wanted to travel, but didn't know how to set up opportunities within your budget? A "gap year" is growing more and more popular around the United States, and has become the best way for students to embrace global citizenship. At this event, students and faculty will share their experiences of a "gap year", and how it shaped their experience back at SLU. Students will also give tips on how to go about traveling with a limited budget, and how to make the most of your time ON, not off. Finally, the group will debunk myths about gap years and explain how they coincide with the mission of SLU.

Reflections on the Rape of Appalachia

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253C

Sponsored by: College for Public Health and Social Justice, Campus Ministry, the Faith and Justice Collaborative, Public Health Club

The purpose of this event is to allow students who have had some service learning experiences in West Virginia/Appalachia region to debrief and teach their peers about the lessons learned regarding community, spirituality, interconnectedness/nature, social justice and the vast list of public health issues and disparities found in this area.

Embracing the Global Voice: Writing Strategies for International Students and Scholars

5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: School of Education Higher Education Program

As the U.S. experiences an increase in international students and scholars, resources geared towards the writing needs of this important part of our academic community are limited. This presentation will illustrate challenges faced by international writers at American universities and explore varied strategies and resources to assist them in academic writing. In addition, the speakers will validate and address unique concerns facing international scholars.

Presenters:

Danielle Joy Davis, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Higher Education ([full bio](#))

Ibrahim Alfarhan, SLU Ph.D. Student, Curriculum & Instruction

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Turkish Society and Politics: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives (Session 1)

5:30 - 6:45 p.m.

Pius Library, 2nd Floor Gallery

Sponsored by: Department of Political Science, School of Social Work, Department of Women's and Gender Studies, Office of Admission

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Presenters:

Azra Blazevic, Edward Doisy Research Center

Sanda Naeger, School of Social Work

Wynne Moskop, Political Science

A Faith-Based Approach to the Syrian Refugee Crisis

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: SLU Amnesty, Amnesty Saint Louis

A panel discussion on the issue of Syrian refugees in St. Louis.

Live Debate: Health Issues Across Borders

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship Auditorium

Sponsored by: Center for Global Citizenship, SLU Association for International Debate, and SLU Center for Interprofessional Education and Research

The SLU Association for International Debate (SAID) promotes international understanding and the practice of communication through discussion and debates between students from Saint Louis University and from around the world. We debate topics of global significance, topics that allow us to express and discern our rights and responsibilities as global citizens. In this event, students from SAID and the IPE Health Care Systems Class (IPE 350) will debate against students from the University of New England over whether a single-payer government based health insurance system provides greater benefit to citizens than does a private-payer employer based health insurance system. To view previous SAID debate topics and photos visit <http://www.slu.edu/globalcitizenship/programs/said/said-debate-archive>

Film - "Poto Mitan: Haitian Women and Pillars of the Global Economy"

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253B

Sponsored by: Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures and Department of Political Science

Told through the compelling lives of five courageous Haitian women workers, Poto Mitan gives the global economy a human face. Each woman's personal story explains neoliberal globalization, how it is gendered, and how it impacts Haiti. And while Poto Mitan offers in-depth understanding of Haiti, its focus on women's subjugation, worker exploitation, poverty, and resistance demonstrates these are global struggles. Finally, through their collective activism, these women demonstrate that despite monumental obstacles in a poor country like Haiti, collective action makes change possible. A short discussion led by Kimberly Webb will take place following the screening of the film.

Humans of St. Louis: The Stories Behind the Stories

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship Seminar Room 124

Sponsored by: Humans of St. Louis, Department of Political Science

Presenting "The People of St. Louis, One Story at a Time" by Lindy Drew, photographer, and co-founder of the photo blog, "Humans of St. Louis" (HOSTL). In an interactive presentation, Lindy will share HOSTL's beginnings, the impact that storytelling has made in creating social awareness and change through photography and narrative, and everyone's capacity to be "citizen journalists."

Why Are We Here? Perspectives of Female Doctoral Students From Five Countries

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: School of Education Higher Education Program

This presentation depicts the multicultural perspectives of women in American higher education regarding their motivations, experiences, cultural and social networks, and values they hold towards the purpose of higher education. Data for the project consist of journal entries and will be analyzed via thematic analysis. Social cognitive career theory and feminism serve as the theoretical frameworks. The presentation concludes with discussion on how the resulting knowledge may foster inclusiveness within our global community.

Presenters:

Dannielle Joy Davis, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Higher Education ([full bio](#))

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Yongsun (Loelle) Lim, SLU Ph.D. Student and Graduate Assistant, Higher Education Administration

Jiixin (Sharon) Lin, SLU Ph.D. Student, Higher Education Administration

Whitney Linsenmeyer, SLU Ph.D. Student, Higher Education Administration, Faculty Member of SLU Nutrition & Dietetics

Heba Mostafa, SLU Ph.D. Student, Education Foundations Program

Shayma Qahwaji, SLU Ph.D. Student, Special Education Program

Jesus: Enemy of the State

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Griesedieck Tower, Blue Room

Sponsored by: InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and Campus Ministry

In collaboration with Evangelical Church leaders in Saint Louis, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship hopes to use this event to debunk myths about Christianity, specifically about Jesus. This event will focus on explaining Jesus' methods and ideologies to bring about social, economic, political and spiritual revolutions that deeply enforce and establish justice, both in the first century, but also in present-day. The format of the event will include, both round-table discussions and closing remarks from local InterVarsity staff.

St. Louis Through the Lens of Our Youth

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 251AB

Sponsored by: North Campus

A photo exhibition featuring the work of children from North Campus, an organization that provides tutoring and enrichment courses for students in North St. Louis. Come experience our city through their perspectives, and gain a better understanding of some of the issues that our youth face. The event will include opportunities to browse the photographs and meet with the artists, as well as a couple brief presentations.

Finding Unity in Diversity

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 256

Sponsored by: Hindu Student Community

For this event, we will discuss the various beliefs of Hinduism and how they relate to other world religions. Through a series of interactive discussions and several hands on activities, we would like to reach across borders and embrace our global community. After this event, we hope to leave you with a greater appreciation for not only Hinduism, but for other major religions across the globe as well.

Wednesday

"The Greatest Story Never Told": Introducing the Global Health Pathway in Pediatrics Through the Story and Legacy of Dr. Ann Manganaro

8:00 - 9:00 a.m

Danis Auditorium, Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital

Sponsored by: Department of Pediatrics, St Louis University School of Medicine

Weekly Pediatric Grand Rounds for Atlas week will focus on the life and legacy of Dr. Ann Manganaro SL, MD. Sister Ann, a graduate of SLUSOM and Residency in Pediatrics at Cardinal Glennon, started a clinic in the mountains of northern El Salvador during their civil war. Learn about her life and the incredible legacy that survives today. We will also explore the partnership with *La Clinica Anna Manganaro* through the new Global Health Pathway in Pediatrics bearing Ann's name.

Putin's Russia

10:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Adorjan Hall, Room 142

Sponsored by: Department of Political Science, Russian and East European Area Studies Program, and Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures - Russian Division

Dr. Ellen Carnaghan, Professor and Chair of the Department of Political Science, will examine how Vladimir Putin has strengthened authoritarian rule in Russia and challenges facing political opponents.

The Role of Non-Black People of Color in Black Lives Matter

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

Center for Global Citizenship, Seminar Room 124

Sponsored by: Cross Cultural Center, Center for Global Citizenship, Office for Diversity and Community Engagement

Historically in the United States, the struggle for black liberation has often been accompanied by allies from other ethnic backgrounds. In a post-Ferguson SLU and St. Louis, there is often ambiguity and questioning of the role of non-black and non-white people of color in the Black Lives Matter movement. This event will have a brief presentation of the historic role of non-black people of color in the abolitionist, civil rights and anti-apartheid movements, followed by a round-table group discussion. This event will also sequel last year's ATLAS-TCK event, in focusing on the intersections of multiculturalism and activism in light of modern-day race-based social justice issues.

Theatre Production: "Mukashi, Mukashi"

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Studio Theatre, Xavier Hall G 62

Sponsored by: Department of Fine and Performing Arts

This colorful production features classic Asian tales told by Hoichi, a blind poet, about a mysterious Crane and Chu, the wily trickster. People and puppets perform these famous tales from China and Japan and prove that magic is all around you every day! Conceived and co-written by theatre alumni director, Louise Hung. Presented by the Introduction to Theatre Class THR 15000.

Parks College Weekly Innovation Challenge

12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

McDonnell Douglas Hall Rotunda

Sponsored by: Parks College of Engineering, Aviation and Technology, the Kern Entrepreneurship Education Network, the Coleman Foundation, and the ATLAS Program

Parks College will host its Weekly Innovation Challenge during Atlas Week. It will feature a Special Guest Judge, Dr. Mukesh Kapila, Former United Nations Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator. The challenge will be centered on the theme of Atlas Week: "Reaching Across Borders: Embracing Our Global Community". More information about the specifics of the challenge will be announced at the Atlas Week Kick-off on Sunday, April 3th. There will be a prize of \$300 per team (\$100 per teammate).

Special Guest Judge: Dr. Mukesh Kapila is a medical doctor, humanitarian expert, and international aid diplomat. Currently a Professor at Manchester University, he has experience in over 130 countries, serving in senior positions in the British Government and at the United Nations, World Health Organization, and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies.

International Food Festival

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship Auditorium

Sponsored by: Muslim Student Association

This festival focuses on providing students the opportunity to come and enjoy cuisines from various Muslim countries and learn about the religion of Islam.

Speed Friendship

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship Cubicles

Sponsored by: International Ambassadors, Office of International Services

In a Speed Dating-like fashion, we will engage a mix of international and domestic students with the purpose of fostering intercultural communication. 10 students in each section will sit at a table across from each other. They then will talk to the person across from them for 3 minutes. The International Ambassadors will be there to supply talking points, making sure the participants rotate until they have spoken with everyone. A contact list including student participant's names and emails will be distributed in an effort to promote further communication.

English Language Acquisition

1:00 - 1:30 p.m.

Monolingual and Bilingual Approaches

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: School of Education

Speaker: Ibrahim Alfarhan, Ph.D. Student, Curriculum & Instruction, School of Education

The English language has become the most dominant language in the world. Learning the language for non-native speakers has become a necessity to increase the opportunities for job seekers as well as participate in academic life. Unfortunately, learning English in foreign language classrooms has many challenges. The most

debating challenge is the use of the mother tongue in EFL (English as Foreign Language) classes. The Monolingual and Bilingual approaches argue that the mother tongue can be used in many different ways. This student poster will demonstrate the main issue which is the level of mother tongue use in EFL classes.

Ethnic St. Louis: A Book by Elizabeth Terry, John Wright, and Patrick McCarthy

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253C

Sponsored by: Center for International Studies

As St. Louis celebrates the 250th year since its founding, *Ethnic St. Louis* highlights the many communities that make St. Louis a vibrant, multi-ethnic city. Their stories-accompanied by rare photography-fill the new book *Ethnic St. Louis*. Included is rich tapestry of the people and cultures that have enriched the Gateway City throughout its history. From long-established French, German, and Irish communities, through the African American community, and the more recent arrivals of Vietnamese and Bosnian immigrants, this volume covers a broad spectrum of groups that shaped St. Louis history and daily life. Photo-illustrated vignettes convey why each community settled in St. Louis, how they changed through the years, and how they contributed to local progress and growth. A first-of-its-kind compendium, *Ethnic St. Louis* demonstrates the importance of diverse communities to the city's rich past, complex current identity, and interconnected future.

About the Authors: Elizabeth Terry, author of *Oysters to Angus: Three Generations of the St. Louis Faust Family*, has a masters in public history from James Madison University in Virginia. She manages a diverse range of projects through her historical research company, and directs an archive for a St. Louis church. John A. Wright is a native of St. Louis, Missouri, and holds a Ph.D. from St. Louis University. Dr. Wright has had a long and distinguished career as a St. Louis academic leader and is an active member of the community, serving on numerous boards (e.g. the St. Louis World Trade Center and the Regional Arts Commission). He is the author of 13 books about regional history, including *Extraordinary Black Missourians* (2013, Reedy Press). Patrick McCarthy has worked with the large Bosnian community in St. Louis for the past twenty years. He is a co-author of *After the Fall: Srebrenica Survivors in St. Louis*. McCarthy is associate dean of libraries at St. Louis University.

Empowering Girls in Cambodia

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

A Look at the Work of NGOs Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: College of Education

Non-government organizations (NGOs) significantly contribute to the reconstruction that occurs in post-conflict countries. These organizations provide alternative approaches to development, as they emphasize issues such as gender, education, participation, and environment sustainability. With nearly 5,000 NGOs, Cambodia is considered to be the most aid-dependent country in Asia. This presentation by Jennifer Roberts and Farah Habli shares findings from a study on how NGOs are improving educational opportunities for girls in Cambodia.

Tunnel of Oppression

1:00 - 7:00 p.m.

St. Louis Room, Busch Student Center

Sponsored by: Diversity & Global Citizenship Learning Community, Leadership for Social Change Learning Community, Women in Micah, Center for Global Citizenship, Office of International Services, Cross Cultural Center

Tunnel of Oppression is an impactful and informative event that draws attention to various oppressions that happen daily within SLU's community and gives participants a chance to experience, witness, and learn about those oppressions first hand. By going through different rooms in the Tunnel, each focusing on a different oppression, people can receive accurate and personal information on oppressions they may not normally consider. The Tunnel itself is a large space composed of individual rooms (office dividers), and each room contains a media piece (performance, video, scenario, etc.). Following the conclusion of the Tunnel, licensed facilitators (counselors, etc.) will lead a discussion on what participants saw and how it affected everyone. After the discussion, there is a component entitled "Wall of Hope" where students can learn more about what they can do to fight and learn more about the oppressions in the Tunnel.

Coffee and Conversation with Dr. Ghazala Hayat

1:30 - 2:30 p.m.

R.S.V.P. Required

Sponsored by: Political Roundtable and The Atlas Program

Join ATLAS and SLU Political Round Table as we sit down with Dr. Ghazala Hayat, Professor of Neurology & Psychiatry, and Director of the Clinical Neurophysiology Fellowship Program at Saint Louis University. She is also a board member of Interfaith Partnership/Faith Beyond Walls and Chair-person of Public Relations Committee of the Islamic Foundation of Greater St. Louis. Additionally, Dr. Hayat has served on the board of the YWCA and has received the distinguished St. Louis Women of Achievement award. Recently, she has spoken about the importance of discovering commonalities between races, ages, religions and backgrounds, as a basis for tolerance, and the role each person can play in building a socially just world. To R.S.V.P. for this event, [click here](#).

Judicial Reform in Morocco

2:00 - 2:45 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253B

Sponsored by: Department of Political Science, Middle Eastern Studies Program

Since the Arab Uprisings in 2011, Morocco's King Mohammed VI has promised judicial reform in Morocco. Over the past five years, while some progress has been made, the promised reforms have not been enacted, and human rights violations continue to prevail in this kingdom of semi-authoritarian rule. Over the spring of 2015, SLU student Emma Sikora Paulus visited Morocco and researched judicial reform in the nation's capital city-Rabat. Her presentation is a collection of interviews and research on the judicial realities and proposed reforms in Morocco.

Feed One...Not None

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 256

Sponsored by: Chi Alpha Christian Fellowship

feedOne is a non-profit organization that feeds children around the world, often in tandem with providing education, clean water, and improved living environment. In this interactive presentation, information about feedOne is shared, followed by a discussion of how this non-for profit organization is changing lives. We will also be discussing how we can get more involved with their mission.

Film - "If Only I Were That Warrior"

2:10 - 3:20 p.m.

Beracha Hall, Room 212

Sponsored by: Film Studies Program

A film about the Italian occupation of Ethiopia in 1935, and its unresolved legacy today. Driving this investigation is the story of a recently constructed monument to Rodolfo Graziani, a Fascist general remembered for war crimes committed during the invasion and occupation of Ethiopia, which sparked international protests and brought this chapter of history back to the forefront of public discourse. The film addresses the unpunished war crimes Graziani and others committed in the name of Mussolini's imperial ambitions. The stories of three characters, filmed in present day Ethiopia, Italy, and the United States, take the audience on a journey through the living memories and the tangible remains of the Italian occupation of Ethiopia - a journey that crosses generations and continents to today, where this often overlooked legacy still ties the fates of two nations and their people. Directed by Valerio Ciriaci.

Nothing to Lose but Our Chains: Student Experience in Anti-Racist Work

2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: MLK Scholarship Program, Cross Cultural Center, Billikens for Black Lives

The goal is to provide students the opportunity to share their experience in anti-racist work with their peers. Participants will walk away from this event with an understanding of the role of student activism within the context of a Jesuit institution. In addition, panelists and attendees will explore the benefits and challenges of undertaking an anti-racist lifestyle. The event is divided into three portions: student panel, student led small group discussions, and group share back. The panelists include Alisha Sonnier, current sophomore, MLK Scholar, and member of Tribe X, Jonathan Pulphus, junior African American Studies and Computer Science double major and initiator of OccupySLU, Sarah Nash, Show Me 15 activist and whiteness work enthusiast, and finally, Jason Ebinger, senior MLK Scholar and urban farmer. After this event, attendees will be able to define anti-racist work. Furthermore, participants will be able to understand the journey of anti-racist work, e.g. how to be an ally and understand their privileged and oppressed identities in this work. Participants will also be able to articulate how to become involved in anti-racist work. Lastly, participants will be able to establish community with others who are in the process of and/or committed to anti-racist work.

Faces of Flint: The People Behind the Water Crisis

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: Billikens for Clean Water, Public Health Club

There has been a lot of media coverage about the water crisis occurring in Flint, Michigan, but sometimes the media only shows one side of the situation. A group of SLU students traveled to Flint to meet the people being affected by the water crisis to discover the whole story. They did in fact find a side to Flint that not many people know about, and they are excited to share the real truth in their presentation.

Meetings at the Margins

3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship Auditorium

Sponsored by: Campus Ministry, Faith and Justice Collaborative, Center for Service and Community Engagement

This event features artwork created by students who went on an Immersion Experience through Campus Ministry and the Center for Service and Community Engagement over spring break. The paintings represent reflections on their experience of encountering communities in the United States that experience various forms of marginalization. While on immersion these students are challenged to: build communities that stand in solidarity with people on the margins, engage diverse expressions of spirituality, and work for justice. Students will be present to discuss how each piece reflects their experiences and those of the communities they accompanied during spring break. Communities visited by students on immersion include: rural communities in Appalachia, incarcerated individuals in Los Angeles, the L'Arche community in Mobile, Alabama, the Navajo Nation in Arizona, and the many communities affected by immigration across the southern Border of the USA and the diverse communities of St. Louis.

Diaspora and Identity: The Case of the Bosnians

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship, Seminar Room 124

Sponsored by: Department of Political Science

This presentation provides an overview of Bosnian diaspora in St. Louis, Missouri. The specific focus is on the community's resettlement and cultural challenges, mental health, and ultimately identity.

Turkish Society and Politics

3:30 - 4:45 p.m.

Historical and Contemporary Perspectives (Session 2)

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Presenters:

Robert Strikwerda, Women's and Gender Studies & Political Science

Jami Curley, School of Social Work

LaShone Gibson, Office of Admission

Between the World and Me

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

A Discussion of Ta-Nehisi Coates

Busch Student Center 251 AB

Sponsored by: Department of English

Professors from St. Louis University, including several from the English department, will discuss the recent best-seller *Between the World and Me* by Ta-Nehisi Coates. Particular attention will be given to its artistry and its relevance to the ongoing discussion of race and violence in America today.

Culture Alive!

4:00 - 5:30 p.m.

Anheuser-Busch Auditorium, John Cook School of Business

Sponsored by: Boeing Institute of International Business, John Cook School of Business

Culture Alive is held every year during ATLAS WEEK to growing audiences. This event provides an interactive means of showing students how cultural issues impact business relationships, business practice, and business success, while also sensitizing them to the lives of people from other countries! For 2016, students studying business at the undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral levels have joined faculty and members of the advisory board of the Boeing Institute of International Business to create a program related to the ATLAS WEEK theme. Culture Alive is examining the issues of "***Embracing Our Global Community***." The program includes:

- An interactive culture quiz
- A student presentation highlighting perspectives from SLU international students about coming to the U.S. and SLU
- A professional presentation welcoming a speaker from the International Institute who will examine immigration in general and St. Louis refugee programs in particular
- Closing entertainment and small reception

Immigration and Italy: Through a Student's Perspective

4:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: Saint Louis University's Italian Club

While studying abroad in Italy, SLU students have been able to experience firsthand the immigration crisis in the Mediterranean through internships, social justice immersion trips, classroom learning, and everyday experiences. This student panel discussion features five SLU students who have studied abroad in Bologna, Italy, at various times. Each will discuss a different aspect of the immigration crisis that Italy is currently facing. Same Shreve is majoring in Public Health and International Studies. He spent the Fall of 2015 in Bologna. While there, Sam attended a conference at Nicholaus Copernicus University in Torun, Poland, where he learned about immigration and human rights. He also participated in a social justice immersion trip to Greece where he learned more about the migrant crisis in the Mediterranean. Catie Alviti is a Biology and Italian Studies double major and studied in Bologna during the Spring of 2015. She went on a social justice trip to Puglia where she experienced what the initial immigration process was like and the difficulties that new immigrants face. Gianna Caponera studies Occupational Therapy and went to Bologna during the Spring of 2015. She participated in a social justice immersion trip to Sicily where she learned about the immigration process for adolescents. Stephanie Roderick is a student of Political Science and International Studies. She spent the Spring of 2014 in Bologna. While there, she volunteered regularly at Casa Rivani, a shelter for refugees. She also taught English to immigrants of various ethnic backgrounds living in Bologna. Justin Seaton studies Communications. He spent Spring of 2015 in Bologna. Justin attended the social justice trip to Puglia and was involved in the production of a documentary that featured the Occupy Bologna movement.

Exploring the Minority Perspective: Diversity in the Commuter Populace

5:00 - 5:45 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: Commuter Student Association, FYE-Commuter Assistant Program, Department of Political Science

Researchers regularly treat commuter students as a homogenous group and largely ignore the significant within-group differences that characterize the population (Jacoby & Garland, 2004). Through a student lead forum, Saint Louis University leaders will address the challenges of being a commuter student, and how as a community, we can evolve beyond these barriers. Students who commute are more likely to be non-traditional age students, first-generation, and students of color. A variety of factors affect student involvement, efficacy and attrition. Members of CSA will address social barriers, and speak about their personal journeys at SLU.

Life of a Syrian Refugee

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253C

Sponsored by: Muslim Student Association, Middle Eastern Student Association, Middle East Studies Program

Come listen to speakers Alaa Alderie talk about their experiences resettling in St. Louis as refugees. Alaa Alderie moved from Syria to St. Louis to start a better life, and is one of the main owners of the first-ever pita bakery in St. Louis.

Distinguished Guest Lecture with Dr. Mukesh Kapila: "Don't Stand by: Lessons from Darfur for Today"

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Sinquefield State Room, DuBourg Hall, Room 409

Sponsored by: The Sam and Marilyn Fox Atlas Program and the Great Issues Committee

Dr. Mukesh Kapila is a medical doctor, humanitarian expert, and international aid diplomat. Currently a Professor at Manchester University, he has experience in over 130 countries serving in senior positions in the British Government and at the United Nations, World Health Organization, and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies. His dealings with many dictators and despots across the world's premier trouble spots, including Iraq, Rwanda, Bosnia, Afghanistan, and Sierra Leone, have led him to focus on the prevention of genocide and the other most horrible crimes against humanity.

The Jewish Refugee Crisis

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: Jewish Student Association

Join the SLU Jewish Student Association, along with a few incredible speakers, as we discuss the Jewish refugee crisis of both the past and present. Galit and Elie Harir, among others, will present this incredibly important (and often overlooked) issue - sharing their experiences as former Jewish Refugees. This event will focus on, but is not be limited to, Jewish Refugees in the Middle East and North Africa. Free snacks and beverages will be available!

SLU Habitat for Humanity Housing Simulation

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Tegeler Hall, Room 106

Sponsored by: SLU Habitat for Humanity

The SLU Habitat for Humanity Housing Simulation is a rare but valuable opportunity for SLU students to learn about and experience homelessness firsthand. Participants will learn by doing, playing the role of homeless people with varying economic profiles who are all interested in purchasing housing. As such, during the simulation, participants will use their profiles to perform a mock home search and purchase from sponsors ranging from rescue missions to expensive real estate agencies. However, along the way, participants will realize how difficult it is to be homeless in America, an eye-opening lesson that will lend insight into one of America's most pervasive yet overlooked issues.

Faith and Justice at the US-Mexico Border: Annunciation House

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship, Seminar Room 124

Sponsored by: Alpha Sigma Nu, Center for Global Citizenship, Faith and Justice Collaborative

Ruben Garcia, Founding Director of Annunciation House, will speak about his experiences operating a house of hospitality for migrants, asylum seekers, and homeless individuals at the US-Mexico border. Annunciation House has provided help to over 125,000 immigrants since it opened its doors in 1978, providing individuals a secure place to sleep, bathe, eat, and many other services. Ruben Garcia lives out his Catholic faith through service to the most vulnerable of our society. He was recently awarded "Texan of the Year" for his efforts to find shelter for the hundreds of unaccompanied minors who crossed the US border seeking refuge from the violence in their countries. El Paso Catholic Bishop Mark Seitz lauded Mr. Garcia as an exemplar of faith and justice: "In our lives we encounter many people with opinions and good causes. But only rarely do we encounter people who are so completely dedicated to their service that they will commit every aspect of their lives and every last ounce of their energy to that service. In Ruben Garcia [we] have encountered such a person."

***Against a Tide of Evil*: Book Signing with Mukesh Kapila**

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Sinquefield State Room, DuBourg Hall, Room 409

Sponsored by: The Sam and Marilyn Fox Atlas Program and the Great Issues Committee

Please join us for a book signing with Dr. Mukesh Kapila, author of *Against a Tide of Evil*. In this no-holds-barred account, the former head of the United Nations in Sudan reveals for the first time the shocking depths of evil plumbed by those who designed and orchestrated 'the final solution' in Darfur. A veteran of humanitarian crisis and ethnic cleansing in Iraq, Rwanda, Srebrenica, Afghanistan and Sierra Leone, Dr Mukesh Kapila arrived in Sudan in March 2003 having made a promise to himself that if he were ever in a position to stop the mass-killers, they would never triumph on his watch. *Against a Tide of Evil* is a strident and passionate *cri de coeur*. It is the deeply personal account of one man driven to extreme action by the unwillingness of those in power to stop mass murder. It explores what empowers a man like Mukesh Kapila to stand up and be counted, and to act alone in the face of global indifference and venality.

A Look into a Bosnian American College Student's Life

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 251AB

Sponsored by: Bosnia - Herzegovina Student Association

Bosnia-Herzegovina Student Association presents a look into the unique lives of Bosnian American college students. This event will feature an expert in Bosnian history and the migration of Bosnian immigrants into the Saint Louis community. There will also be a panel of Saint Louis University students who will share their own personal experiences and stories as Bosnian refugees in Saint Louis. Traditional Bosnian snack and drink will accompany the event.

Embracing the Local Global Community Through Public Health

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: SLU Lion's Club

This event will serve two purposes. The first will allow for attendees to be informed on the process of designing a large project to bring together a diverse set of public health advocacy groups, all deeply rooted in different backgrounds and cultures. In the presentation, the project being discussed will be a Public Health Fair (to occur on April 9th) that has aimed to allow many different public health issues to be addressed. These issues impact multiple cultural and ethnic groups in the city, and the Fair allows for each of these groups to come together and address these public health concerns. The second purpose is to advertise the Fair to increase interest and attendance. The event, which will last an hour, consists of a presentation, Q&A, and then the opportunity for attendees to obtain information about specific parts of the Fair, as well as receive "early check-in perks."

Film - "He Named Me Malala"

7:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 352-353

Sponsored by: ONE at Saint Louis University, She's the First, Free to Be

"He Named Me Malala" tells the remarkable true story of teenager Malala Yousafzai, who was attacked by Taliban gunmen in Pakistan for advocating girls' education. Rather than be silenced, Malala emerged as a global voice for the education rights of all children, and in 2014, she became the youngest-ever Nobel Peace Prize recipient. This intimate glimpse into the life of an extraordinary girl is sure to inspire people of all ages! After a viewing of the film, a short discussion will be held to reflect upon the impact that Malala has made and what we can do to become more involved and further her mission.

Reggae Night

8:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Wool Ballrooms, Busch Student Center

Sponsored by: Black Student Alliance

Join the Black Student Alliance as we celebrate Caribbean cultures! Dance the night away with your peers and experience amazing Caribbean food.

Liberation Theology in Guatemala

8:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253B

Sponsored by: Department of Political Science, Washington University - Lutheran Campus Ministry

A Lutheran Pastor and Washington University student who have both been to Guatemala in the past, and are knowledgeable about Liberation theology, talk about their experiences in Guatemala.

Thursday

1,000 Cranes for Social Justice: Art as a Means to Building Community

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Center for Global Citizenship, Seminar Room 124

Sponsored by: English as a Second Language Program

The tradition of making 1,000 cranes in order to fulfill a personal hope is increasingly expanding to include community aspirations. Over the last two years, the international students and faculty in the ESL Program have made two installations of 1,000 cranes in order to provide moments of reflection on social justice in communities around the world. This presentation will focus on how the project started and then developed to include looking for donations to match the number of birds. Both installations have found sites in Ferguson, Missouri and in the historic Ville neighborhood on the north side of the City of St. Louis. The current art project involves designing and making the installation and sending it, along with a matching donation, to Project Lakota on the Lakota Nation (Pine Ridge Reservation, southwestern South Dakota). Participants will hear from representative projects receiving 1,000 cranes and find out how to help make the next project.

Tunnel of Oppression

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Saint Louis Room, Busch Student Center

Sponsored by: Diversity & Global Citizenship Learning Community, Leadership for Social Change Community, Women in Micah, Center for Global Citizenship, Office of International Services, Cross Cultural Center

Tunnel of Oppression is an impactful and informative event that draws attention to various oppressions that happen daily within SLU's community and gives participants a chance to experience, witness, and learn about those oppressions first hand. By going through different rooms in the Tunnel, each focusing on a different oppression, people can receive accurate and personal information on oppressions they may not normally consider. The Tunnel itself is a large space composed of individual rooms, and each room contains a media piece. Following the conclusion of the Tunnel, licensed facilitators will lead a discussion on what participants saw and how it affected everyone. After the discussion, there is a component entitled "Wall of Hope" where students can learn more about what they can do to fight and learn more about the oppressions in the Tunnel.

Coffee and Conversation with a Diplomat

9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

John Cook School of Business Room L27

Sponsored by: Boeing Institute of International Business, Department of Political Science, and Political Round Table

Join us for coffee and conversation with Robert Andrew, Foreign Service Officer and Diplomat in Residence for the US State Department. He will describe his work in the Foreign Service and share his experiences working

in Costa Rica, Russia, Mexico, and most recently, Sweden. Mr. Andrew will also provide information about the Department of State Internship Program and guidance about careers in the Department of State.

Coffee and Conversation with Dr. Mukesh Kapila

10:00 - 11:00 a.m. R.S.V.P.

Required Sponsored by: SLU Political Round Table. The Atlas Program

Join ATLAS and SLU Political Round Table as we sit down with Dr. Mukesh Kapila, medical doctor, humanitarian expert, and international aid diplomat. Currently, he is Professor of Global Health and Humanitarian Affairs at Manchester University. He also serves as a Special Representative of the Aegis Trust for the prevention of crimes against humanity, and Chair of Minority Rights Group International. He has experience in over 130 countries serving in senior positions in the British Government, the United Nations, the World Health Organization, and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies. His dealings with many dictators and despots across the world's premier trouble spots, including Iraq, Rwanda, Bosnia, Afghanistan, Sierra Leone, and Sudan have led him to focus on the prevention of genocide and the other most horrible crimes against humanity. You will have the opportunity to ask Dr. Kapila about his memoir, "Against A Tide of Evil", which recounts how the international community tried to silence him when he exposed the massacres in Darfur.

1,000 Cranes for Social Justice: An Origami Demonstration

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

Center for Global Citizenship Cubicles

Sponsored by: English as a Second Language Program

Join the English as a Second Language program as they create 1,000 cranes for social justice. The first 1,000 cranes were completed in the Fall 2014 by SLU international students in order to show support for Ferguson. Stop by to learn more about the project, reflect on social justice, and to create an origami crane, or two, to be a part of the next 1,000 cranes for social justice.

A Walk Through World Literature by Spoken Word and Historical Context

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

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: English Club, Department of English, The Kiln Project, VIA: A Journal of Undergraduate Research at SLU

The undergraduate organizations of the English Department, English Club and KILN/VIA, are collaborating to appreciate the broad field of World Literature by two approaches. A presentation will be led exploring the history of World Literature, the efficacy of translations, and the ongoing debate. Then student and faculty speakers will share brief works of literature of their choosing in their preferred language. These will include selections in ancient languages, as well as modern languages.

Global Issues in Disability: WHO Community-Based Rehabilitation

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

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders

Speaker: Travis T. Threats, Ph.D., Professor and Chair of the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders at Saint Louis University. This presentation will discuss the role of health professionals and students to help improve the quality of life for persons with disabilities who live in low and middle income countries. The ability to function in society is a fundamental human right. The majority of the world health resources have dealt with disease treatment, with the goal being to reduce preventative and premature death. Although this is a necessary first step, functional health is more than disease management. The World Health Organization defines health as the "Complete physical, mental, and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity." Persons who have had strokes who are now medically stable are not "sick"; however, they may not be able to participate in their society and lead purposeful lives. Children born with an intellectual disability are similarly not ill but depending upon their environmental supports could have no access to education to maximize their potential, as well as possible mistreatment by society and even their own family. To improve the functioning of people with disabilities, the WHO has utilized Community Based Rehabilitation (CBR). It was designed to provide rehabilitation assessment and intervention to persons in low-income countries. The challenge is putting in place sustainable practices and behaviors.

"Syria, Sudan, and St. Louis: The Global Refugee Crisis and the Law" Panel Discussion Featuring Kilian Kleinschmidt and Dr. Mukesh Kapila

12:00 - 1:30 p.m.

School of Law, Scott Hall, John K. Pruellage Courtroom

Sponsored by: Saint Louis University School of Law, the Sam and Marilyn Fox Atlas Program, and Great Issues Committee

Panelists:

Dr. Mukesh Kapila, Former United Nations Resident & Humanitarian Coordinator

Kilian Kleinschmidt, Humanitarian Aid Worker & expert in Refugee Relief Management

Monica Eppinger, Former U.S. Foreign Service Officer & Assistant Professor, Saint Louis University School of Law

Environmental Justice and Human Dignity: A Jesuit Involvement in Mitigating Arsenic in Water in India

12:45 - 2:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: College for Public Health and Social Justice

Speaker: Dr. Xavier Savarimuthu, S.J. Arsenic contamination of drinking water continues to pose a global health threat. Fr. Savarimuthu will describe his research on water contamination by arsenic among vulnerable communities in West Bengal, India, its public health implications, and the education and advocacy efforts of Jesuits to seek solutions to protect local communities and their environment.

Microfinancing Partners in Africa: International Community Development

12:45 - 2:00 p.m.

Tegeler Hall, Room 105

Sponsored by: School of Social Work

Microfinancing Partners in Africa is a local non-profit agency that provides grants to micro financing programs in Africa to strengthen and expand their reach. MPA provides support for people in extreme poverty to meet their basic needs with dignity.

The Untold Stories of the Unworthy Refugee

12:45 - 2:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: Middle East Student Association (MESA)

SLU Palestinian students will discuss everyday hardships experienced by Palestinian refugees that are often untold to the public. Students will also share their own stories of living in the occupied territory of the West Bank.

Research for Environmental Justice: A Jesuit Response to the Threat of Mining to Water and Vital Resources in Poor Communities in Honduras

2:15 - 3:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: College for Public Health and Social Justice

Speaker:

Dr. Fernando Serrano, Department of Environmental and Occupational Health, College for Public Health & Social Justice ([bio](#)) Mining activities are important sources of revenue, but they also cause water contamination, environmental degradation, food insecurity, and social conflict in developing countries. Dr. Serrano will describe how a partnership of Jesuits and local organizations conducted a research project on the threat posed by mining to water and resources vital to health and human security in poor rural communities in Honduras. He will also report on research results that can be used for education, advocacy and social change in Honduras, Central America, and in the U.S.

Film - "Ferguson Documented: In 36 Hours"

2:30 - 3:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253B

Sponsored by: The Film Studies Program

On August 5, 2014, Michael Brown an 18 year-old black teenager was killed by a white police officer in the town of Ferguson, Missouri. What appeared to be yet another police involved shooting of an unarmed black man proved to be something more. The outrage over the killing of Michael Brown served to mobilize not only residents of Ferguson's black community, but the incident sparked massive protests and public demonstrations in both large and small communities across the country. The events of Ferguson forced white, middle class America to confront issue of racism and policing in communities of color. The documentary explores these issues through a diverse collection of voices sharing their experiences. Directed by Carla Usher

Global Billikens: The Fulbright U.S. Student Program

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 251AB

Sponsored by: University Honors Program

Speakers: Dr. Ina Seethaler, Instructor of Women's and Gender Studies and University Fellowship Committee Member **Amy Brabec**, ETA Experience Research Grant student applicant (Skyping from Brazil) Are you interested in studying or teaching abroad? Engaging in intercultural Exchange? If so, the Fulbright U.S. Student Program might be perfect for you. We will be speaking with a current recipient who is teaching in Brazil, a research grant applicant from this year, and a professor who has won a Fulbright grant in the past and now helps interview student applicants in order to learn about the program from every angle. For over 60 years, the federal government-sponsored Fulbright U.S. Student Program has provided future American leaders with an unparalleled opportunity to study, conduct research, and teach in other countries. Fulbright student grants aim to increase mutual understanding among nations through educational and cultural exchange while serving as a catalyst for long-term leadership development. Please join Competitive Fellowships and Scholarships in a panel discussion on the application process and experience of the Fulbright U.S. Student Program.

Roundtable on Health Outcomes of the Bosnian Population in St. Louis

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: Bosnia-Herzegovina Student Association

The Bosnian population in St. Louis numbers almost 70,000 people. This roundtable discussion seeks to examine if lifestyle factors associated with Bosnian culture may have adverse health outcomes, and how it is difficult to change some of these cultural norms such as diet. Topics to be discussed also include war and post war resettlement, and what affect these may have on people's perception of their own healthcare. This discussion seeks to raise awareness on many of the health issues that affect the Bosnian population in St. Louis, and what can be done to change them.

Plant a Seed, Grow a Future: Learn How the Global Learning Exchange Initiative Is Growing Hope in Guatemala

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253C

Sponsored by: School of Education

Founder, Dave Barford, and Executive Director, Mary Lee Stephens, will present the work of Global Learning Exchange Initiative (GLXi) in Guatemala. With a mission to empower a new generation of people in developing countries to create sustainable opportunity through literacy and continuing education, GLXi has created a comprehensive after-school literacy program that they hope will become a model throughout Central America and beyond. Former SLU professor, Linda Henke, wrote the curriculum, called Open Books, Open Minds, in reference to the ability of literacy to transform individuals, communities, and whole countries. Guatemala has the fastest-growing population in the Western Hemisphere, and 40% of that population are under age 15. When you consider that primary education is the level that most influences a person's future, if there was ever an environment ripe for change, this it. As Bill Gates wrote, "Educated and healthy children will lead their communities out of poverty and build the thriving nations of tomorrow." The GLXi team in the US and Guatemala are passionate about the power of education and have seen success in their first two years. After the first year, the first graders in the program were reading at a level almost equal to the third graders who were not part of the GLXi literacy group. "GLXi is bringing a new way of learning to Guatemalan schools. We

are teaching kids to think for themselves and create opportunities for themselves," notes the In-Country Coordinator, Jose Bonilla. Dave and Mary Lee hope to ignite a spark among SLU students to become GLXi ambassadors! For more information, please visit: www.glexchange.org

Bridging Realities: An Interdisciplinary Immersion in Belize

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253C

Sponsored by: SLU/ Belize Partners: Saint Louis University School of Education, Campus Ministry, Office for Mission, Center for Service & Community Engagement, School of Social Work, John Cook School of Business, the Service Leadership Program, Office of International Services, SLU-Belize 2020 Project, St. Martin de Porres Community and School, Belize St. John's Junior College, and Belize Ministry of Education

Accessible Healthcare in Developing Latin American Nations

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

John Cook School of Business, Room 336

Sponsored by: Global Medical Brigades Panama, and Economics Club

Global Medical Brigades develops sustainable health initiatives and provides relief where there is limited access to healthcare. During a Medical Brigade, volunteers have the opportunity to take vitals and patient history in triage, shadow licensed doctors in medical consultations, and assist in a pharmacy under the direction of licensed pharmacists. A panel, comprised of both Economics Club members and Global Brigades volunteers, examine the long term socioeconomic consequences of inadequate health services, particularly focusing on infrastructural burdens and development. It is an open forum for individuals to ask questions. In addition to socioeconomic elements, this event embraces cultural elements such as Panamanian cuisine, music, and tradition. **Food is provided!**

Chasing Shadows: Palestinian Refugees, Past and Present

4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253B

Sponsored by: Department of Political Science

Palestinians, like many other refugee populations, saw their expected short-term exile evolve into a fight for long-term survival away from their homeland. This presentation explains the Palestinian Diaspora in Jordan, along with personal experiences and stories from members of this group.

Atlas Week Signature Symposium Keynote Address Featuring Kilian Kleinschmidt "Turning the Tide:

Protecting Human Rights and Restoring Dignity in Refugee Crises"

5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Wool Ballroom, Busch Student Center

Sponsored by: The Sam and Marilyn Fox Atlas Week Program and the Great Issues Committee

Kilian Kleinschmidt is a humanitarian aid worker and expert in refugee relief and emergency crisis management. For more than twenty years, he served as a Senior Official with the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR). He is the best-known and most published aid worker in the world. He recently became known as the "Mayor of Za'atari" when he managed the Za'atari refugee camp in Northern Jordan from 2013-2014, on behalf of the UNHCR. Za'atari is the largest Syrian refugee camp, with a population of more than 80,000. Under his leadership, Za'atari has become a symbol for new and innovative approaches in refugee and humanitarian management. Currently, he is serving as an advisor to the Austrian government on asylum seeker reception. Kleinschmidt's previous senior roles included Deputy Humanitarian Coordinator for Somalia, Deputy Special Envoy for Assistance to Pakistan, Acting Director for Communities and Minorities in the UN Administration in Kosovo, Executive Secretary for the Migration and Refugee Initiative (MARRI) in the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, and many field based functions with UNHCR, UNDP, and WFP. He has worked extensively in Africa, South Eastern Europe, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka.

United Nations Mock Simulation

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 256

Sponsored by: Model United Nations

The Syrian crisis, nuclear power, dropping oil prices, and the immigrant crisis are all current global problems we face. Join us for a mock simulation representing the actions of the United Nations Security Council in current world issues.

Ask Me Anything: A Q&A About Faith

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: InterFaith Alliance

Interfaith Alliance is hosting a question and answer session. Students of different faith backgrounds will be available to answer questions about their religions. Come ask us any questions you might have!

Film - "Refugee All Stars"

7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: Forte

Winner of over a dozen international film awards, this documentary tells the inspiring story of a group of musicians who form a band in a West African Refugee Camp after being forced from their homes by a brutal civil war. Sierra Leone's Refugee All Stars is a unique tribute to the power of music and a triumphant celebration of the human spirit.

Celebration of International Student-Athletes

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship Auditorium

Sponsored by: Department of Management, Sports Business Program, Sports Business Association, John Cook School of Business

International student-athletes (ISAs) from our greater region and several others from all over the world will share their life stories, sports and educational experiences, and show how their journey and American pursuits shaped their lives. These individuals hail from five continents and numerous countries, they all have an athletic talent in common, and they all followed different paths that led them to their US educational destinations combining academics and sports. Some have horror and war stories to share, some had pleasant and uplifting experiences, and they all used sports as the medium to make a difference and pursue opportunities that they otherwise would not have been granted. Next to several other outcomes this profound, lively, and interactive session will yield, attendees may enjoy a truly universal overview of young people's concerns, hopes, trends in each country of origin, and realize that sports may indeed contribute to a more balanced, fair, and promising future. The session will incorporate live video streaming with former ISAs from NCAA institutions who returned home, and carried back several important lessons from the US.

The Anthropology Club Presents: Trivia Night

7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 352-353

Sponsored by: The Anthropology Club

Film - "Timbuktu"

7:00 - 9:30 p.m.

Busch Student Center 251AB

Sponsored by: Graduate Student Association

Timbuktu is a film about the life of everyday citizens under the rule of jihadist organizations in West Africa. The film has been widely acclaimed, and has received nominations for many awards.

American Voices: A Presentation by Marc Thayer

7:15 - 8:30 p.m.

Xavier Hall 116

Sponsored by: Department of Fine and Performing Arts

Mr. Marc Thayer, Deputy Director of American Voices (americanvoices.org), and former director of the Saint Louis University String Orchestra, will discuss the mission and accomplishments of American Voices, a distinguished organization working in the area of cultural diplomacy.

Friday

Can Health Be a Bridge for Peace?

Distinguished Guest Lecturer: Dr. Mukesh Kapila

7:30 - 8:30 a.m.

Learning Resource Center, Pitlyk Auditorium A-C

Sponsored by: Department of Internal Medicine, Atlas Program, Great Issues Committee

Speaker: Dr. Mukesh Kapila is a medical doctor, humanitarian expert, and international aid diplomat. Currently a Professor of Global Health and Humanitarian Affairs at Manchester University, he has experience in over 130 countries serving in senior positions in the British Government and at the United Nations, World Health Organization, and the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies. He is also Special Representative of the Aegis Trust for the prevention of crimes against humanity, and Chair of Minority Rights Group International. His earliest career was in clinical medicine, primary health care, and public health in the British National Health Service in Oxford, Cambridge, and London, where he helped set up the UK's first national HIV and AIDS program at the Health Education Authority, becoming its deputy director.

Our Summer in Nicaragua: Liberation Theology in Action

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: Mev Puleo Program, Department of Theology

The recipients of the 2015 Mev Puleo Scholarship in Latin America are excited to share their stories from a summer well spent living with families, studying theology, accompanying various service sites, and visiting religious and other grassroots organizations focused on social change. In the spirit of Mev Puleo, the SLU graduate for whom the scholarship is named, we want to share stories, reflections, and photos from their time in Latin America with the Saint Louis University community. We will also sharing more on our individual research papers which apply liberation theology to more specific topics of personal interest. The recipients of the scholarship are: Meg Buckley, Daniel Curtin, Taylor Leigh Jackson, Bryan Melcher, Tanya Mukherji, Theresa Schafer, and Maria Yamnitz. Come hear different perspectives on the theology of accompaniment, explore the ways in which is these experiences are relevant for life in the U.S., and discern if this journey is right for you!

Improving Children's Health and Nutrition in Afghanistan

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Busch Student Center 251AB

Sponsored by: College for Public Health and Social Justice & Public Health Club

Speaker: Nasratullah Rasa, MD, MPH

Dr. Rasa works as a Sanitation and Hygiene Specialist with UNICEF Afghanistan. As a Fulbright Scholar, he completed his Master of Public Health Degree (MPH) in 2011 at Saint Louis University. Previously, he served as a Management Support Expert with EPOS Health Management. He has also served as Project Director of Health Partners International of Canada (HPIC), Aid Coordination Advisor with DG Policy and Planning of the Afghan MoPH, Program Officer for UNFPA, Consultant at the Health Economics and Financing Directorate, and Family Planning Department of the Afghan Ministry of Public Health.

SLU Advocacy Day

9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Wuller Hall, Room 210

Sponsored by: The Faith and Justice Collaborative

Did you know that if eight to ten people call their senators or representatives regarding a bill or issue representatives or senators are more likely to read and act on the bill? Join the Faith & Justice Collaborative to

help create changes in policy at both a state and federal level. We will help you find out who your local representatives and senators are and have a script for different issues available to make your advocacy easy!

Coffee & Conversation with Kilian Kleinschmidt

9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

R.S.V.P. Required

Sponsored by: Political Round Table, Atlas Program

Join ATLAS and SLU Political Round Table as we sit down with Kilian Kleinschmidt, a humanitarian aid worker and expert in refugee relief and emergency crisis management. For more than twenty years, he served as a Senior Official with the United Nations High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR). He is the best-known and most published aid worker in the world. He recently became known as the "Mayor of Za'atari" when he managed the Za'atari refugee camp in Northern Jordan from 2013-2014, on behalf of the UNHCR. Za'atari is the largest Syrian refugee camp, with a population of more than 80,000. Under his leadership, Za'atari has become a symbol for new and innovative approaches in refugee and humanitarian management. Currently, he is serving as an advisor to the Austrian government on asylum seeker reception. Kleinschmidt's previous senior roles included Deputy Humanitarian Coordinator for Somalia, Deputy Special Envoy for Assistance to Pakistan, Acting Director for Communities and Minorities in the UN Administration in Kosovo, Executive Secretary for the Migration and Refugee Initiative (MARRI) in the Stability Pact for South Eastern Europe, and many field based functions with UNHCR, UNDP, and WFP. He has worked extensively in Africa, South Eastern Europe, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka.

Ethnic Minority Cultures in China: The Case of Yunnan Province

10:00 - 10:45 a.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: Center for Intercultural Studies

This presentation seeks to give a general introduction to the cultures of ethnic minorities in Yunnan Province, and to provide a broad context for understanding the 55 ethnic minorities in China. Due to Yunnan's varied historical, topographical and cultural interactions, its 25 ethnic minority groups display an impressive diversity of customs and cultures. The issues China faces are conservation, transmission and sustainable development of the cultures of ethnic minorities in the face of modernization and globalization. To attain these goals, it seeks to forge a dynamic relationship among economy, ethnic culture, and ecology. The speaker for this event will be Dr. Ling Wang, Professor at Yunnan University in China. She obtained her M.A. degree in English Linguistics and Literature from Yunnan University in 1996. From 2000 to 2001, she was a visiting scholar at the School of English Studies at the University of Nottingham in the United Kingdom. She was awarded a Ph.D. degree in ethnic cultures and arts by Yunnan University in 2006. From 2009 to 2013, she was a postdoctoral researcher in arts at Fujian Normal University. Professor Wang has had over 50 papers and six books published in Chinese or English, at home and abroad.

Mapping Immigrant Populations

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

R.S.V.P. Required

Sponsored by: Department of Sociology and Anthropology

This is workshop to learn how to make maps of the immigrant populations in the midwest.

Parade of Nations

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

West Pine Mall

Sponsored by: International Student Federation, Billiken World Festival Planning Committee, SGA International Affairs Committee, Center for Global Citizenship, Cross Cultural Center, and the Atlas Program

The Parade of Nations kicks off the Billiken World Festival activities and features SLU students carrying flags from around the world. Soldan International Studies High School's Marching Band and the Billiken will lead the Parade!

Billiken World Festival

12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship

Sponsored by: International Student Federation, Billiken World Festival Planning Committee, SGA International Affairs Committee, Center for Global Citizenship, Cross Cultural Center, and the Atlas 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. The festival also features live cultural music and dance performances. The Billiken World Festival is the first large-scale diversity program organized on campus, with more than 40 different student groups, university departments, and over eighteen hundred students coming together in a celebration of culture and diversity.

Adapting to America: Through the Eyes of a Refugee

1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: Department of Political Science

Lara Fallon, Social Work Manager at the International Institute, will be speaking about the processes refugees go through in order to adapt to our culture and lifestyle. There is a systematic series of seminars, meetings, and meet-ups with counselors that helps them acclimate themselves to the US. Lara will outline how refugees feel, how they act, and some seemingly simple tasks they must learn how to do.

School to Prison Pipeline: Simulation

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 251AB

Sponsored by: Overground Railroad to Literacy

Overground Railroad to Literacy is a student organization that promotes literacy in afterschool programs near campus. Overground educates and mentors St. Louis public school students, while exposing SLU students to the many injustices of the public school system. Through our role-playing simulation, participants will take on the identity of a high school student and will attempt to juggle the many stressors and responsibilities of today's youth within a system that often works against them. The simulation will be 35-40 minutes with a debriefing afterwards.

God, Gratitude, and Guyana: Jesuit Spirituality and Cross-Cultural Encounters

3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: College of Philosophy and Letters

How does Jesuit spirituality enrich our cross-cultural encounters? Michael Mohr, SJ reflects on his experiences in the hinterlands of Guyana and how Jesuit formation cultivates one's abilities to reach across cultures. This presentation will explore five important principles rooted in Jesuit spirituality helpful to those engaging in international and cross-cultural service or ministry. Participants will see how Ignatian spirituality can help free one for mission in culturally diverse or challenging situations. In addition, we will discuss how faith and reflection deepen our cross-cultural experiences and foster a more authentic sense of global community, especially within the universal Church. This presentation is open to all, particularly those wishing to learn more about Jesuit identity and how faith and cross-cultural experiences intersect. For additional questions or further conversation please email Michael at mmohr@jesuits.org.

Why Latinos Are Not 'Spanish': The Cultural Diversity of Hispanics

3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Center for Global Citizenship, Suite 124

Sponsored by: Hispanic American Leadership Organization

Bobby González is a nationally known multicultural motivational speaker, storyteller and poet. Born and raised in the South Bronx, New York City, he grew up in a bicultural environment. Bobby draws on his Native American (Taino) and Latino (Puerto Rican) roots to offer a unique repertoire of discourses, readings and performances that celebrates his indigenous heritage. Bobby has lectured at many institutions including Yale University, the University of Alaska-Fairbanks, and the University of Alabama-Huntsville. As a storyteller he's had the privilege of performing at Carnegie Hall, the Museum of Television & Radio, and the Detroit Institute of Arts. He has given poetry readings at the National Museum of the American Indian, the University of North Dakota, and the Nuyorican Poets Café. He is a dynamic keynote speaker specializing in encouraging audiences of all ages and backgrounds to succeed, fulfill their full potential, and adjust to a changing world by becoming more aware of the rich history and accomplishments of their ancestors. In his lectures and workshops, Bobby urges his listeners to be more sensitive to the various cultures and belief systems of their neighbors and colleagues. This presentation, examines the Indigenous, European, African and Asian heritage of the people of Latin America. Bobby will present on issues related to the Hispanic community, as well as minority groups. The event is open to the entire student body.

Culture Shock

3:15 - 4:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: Student Government Association International Affairs Committee

There will be a presentation on culture shock, and then a discussion where students can ask questions and share their experience.

The Formation of International Guitar Styles and Methods from Spain to the New World

5:00 - 5:45 p.m.

Xavier Hall, Room 116

Sponsored by: Department of Fine and Performing Arts

An exploration of the evolution of modern classical guitar styles and methods, starting with Andres Segovia, and spreading globally during the 20th century.

The Growing Public Health Issue of Drugs and Alcohol Abuse

5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253D

Sponsored by: SLU Lions Club

SLU Lions and its Disease Prevention Committees present a discussion about the growing issues of drugs and alcohol abuse in our society. We will learn about the health effects of these risky behaviors, and how we can work to reduce their use.

Food Is a Right, Not a Privilege: Food Waste and Hunger

6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center 253A

Sponsored by: Saint Louis University Campus Kitchen

The executive board of SLU Campus Kitchen will be speaking about food waste and hunger on a wide scale. This presentation will call attention to the food desert that is Saint Louis, and the struggles that its inhabitants must go through in order to receive one of their basic rights. After the presentation, we will offer a chance for attendees to make an immediate contribution to our case with the packaging of snack bags for individuals in need.

SUFAllooza

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Wool Ballroom, Busch Student Center

Sponsored by: African Student Association

African Student Association (ASA) is hosting the annual fundraising event SUFAllooza. SUFAllooza is campus-wide, awareness-raising cultural event, aimed to celebrate African cultures and fundraise to support education (building a library and increasing infrastructure of a school) in Manyoro, Ghana. Previously we have invited a variety of artists both from Saint Louis University student body and from the greater St. Louis area, including Sunshine African Drum Band, to perform at this event. This event also offers the opportunity to taste flavors from African cuisines and to watch and learn some African dance moves! Ultimately, all donations go directly towards funding education and literacy in Ghana, a project launched by a SLU Alumni in collaboration with a fellow Jesuit, working in-country.

Ongoing Events 2016

Exhibit - German Immigrant Abolitionists: Fighting for a Free Missouri

February 12 - June 15

Center for Global Citizenship, Lobby Display Cases and Suite 124; Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, Busch Student Center North Lobby

Sponsored by: Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures, Center for International Studies, Center for Global Citizenship, Mellon Foundation

Missouri is well-known for its German-American heritage, but the story of 19th-century German immigrant abolitionists is often neglected in discussions of the state's history. *German Immigrant Abolitionists: Fighting for a Free Missouri* tells the story of what happened when idealistic German immigrants, many highly educated and devoted to the ideals of freedom and democracy, came to a pre-Civil War slave state. Fleeing political persecution during the 1830s and 1840s, German immigrants such as Friedrich Münch, Henry Boernstein, and Franz Sigel arrived in Missouri in hopes of finding a land more congenial to their democratic ideals. When they encountered slavery, many became abolitionists and supported the Union in the emerging Civil War. *German Immigrant Abolitionists: Fighting for a Free Missouri* focuses on the political activism and writings of German immigrants in Missouri before and during the Civil War. Previous research on these intriguing figures has largely been confined to specialists. This exhibition contributes a compelling visual component not only for scholars but also for a wider general audience. Through a variety of photographs, historic objects, newspapers, diary entries, satirical cartoons and maps, this exhibition makes connections between the theoretical underpinnings of these activists' ideals and the realities of their everyday lives. Questions that this exhibition explores are: Who were the German abolitionists, and how did they contribute to the political landscape of pre-Civil War Missouri? Did German immigrants work closely with African-Americans in Missouri toward the common goal of ending slavery? How did the editors of and contributors to German-language newspapers in the St. Louis area change the course of the Civil War in Missouri, particularly in regards to recruiting German immigrant volunteer soldiers?

Exhibit - International Response to Refugee Crises

April 1 - 30

Pius XII Memorial Library, Level 1

Sponsored by: University Libraries

This exhibit on level 1 of Pius XII Memorial Library will give a brief history of international response to refugee crises, including international organizations focused on refugee rights and resettlement and information on the current Syrian refugee crisis. This exhibit will also highlight the work of the 16th Annual Atlas Week Keynote speaker.

New American Wish List Collection Drive

April 3 - 9

Center for Global Citizenship Lobby & Busch Student Center North Lobby

Sponsored by: The Atlas Planning Committee

The International Institute provides new arrivals with basic household items. The Atlas Program is taking up a collection of items to donate to the organization. There will be a collection bin in the Center for Global Citizenship Lobby and Busch Student Center, North Lobby. [See her for a list of needed items](#), and thank you for welcoming new Americans to St. Louis!

Photo Gallery - Humans of St. Louis: The Stories Behind the Stories

April 3 - 9

SGA Commons, Busch Student Center

Sponsored by: Humans of St. Louis, Department of Political Science

Photo Display of "The people of St. Louis, One Story at a Time" by photographer Lindy Drew, co-founder of the photo blog, "Humans of St. Louis."

Project: ELI (Exchanging Literature Internationally) Collection Drive

April 3 - 9

Center for Global Citizenship, Busch Student Center, John Cook School of Business, School of Nursing, Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital, Busch Student Center North Lobby
Sponsored by: MOVE (Motivation, Optimism, Value and Engagement) Committee

Project: ELI (Exchanging Literature Internationally), a children's book collection and distribution project, was launched on the campus of Saint Louis University (SLU) in the fall of 2013. The project seeks to create a cultural exchange of knowledge and goodwill through the sharing of children's literature. New or slightly used children's books are collected on SLU's main campus. The books are donated to children ranging in age from 6 months to 18 years of age. The project has collected 5,000 to 6,000 books and has sent and continues to send books to several locations, including Belize, Tanzania, Nepal, Madrid, Lithuania, and the St. Louis community. Through the books that Project: ELI sends to children and their communities, children are able to learn and grow while benefitting from the acquisition of English language skills that will prove to be an integral tool for them as they grow older. The books offer a cultural exchange and a new global perspective for children through the sharing of literature. Please contact Daria Dietz (ddietz4@slu.edu) with any questions or for assistance. For more information, [click here](#).

Esthetic Art Show

April 3 - 9

Busch Student Center, Main Lobby
Sponsored by: Esthetic Art Club and Department of Fine and Performing Arts

The art show will be centered around the Atlas week theme "Reaching Across Borders: Embracing Our Global Community".

The Struggle Tree

April 3 - 9

Center for Global Citizenship Cubicle
Sponsored by: Housing and Residence Life, Leadership for Social Change Learning Community

The basic idea behind this Struggle Tree is to build up a physical tree to create a physical representation of the struggles of the SLU community. The Tree will be constructed using castings of people arms and hands to create a physical representation of each person. Each of these castings is supposed to be both unique and similar in the same way that our struggles are. We will then attach these castings together. We will then attach our struggles to the tree, as a way of acknowledging that these struggles are real, and allowing others to see them, and see that they are not alone. We would also like for participants to add what they think would help to mitigate these problems and help work toward a solution.

Exhibit - Turkish Society and Politics: Historical and Contemporary Perspectives

April 3 - 9

Pius XII Memorial Library, Level 2 Gallery
Sponsored by: Department of Political Science, School of Social Work, Department of Women's and Gender Studies, and Office of Admission

Exhibit of photos, interactive social media, and artifacts from Turkey, highlighted by two faculty presentations, on Tuesday, April 5th, 5:30-6:45, and Wednesday, April 6th, 3:30-4:45. SLU faculty will discuss their experiences on a May 2015 study trip to Turkey sponsored by the Niagara Foundation. The group visited university faculty, women's groups, journalists, high school administrators, carpet weavers, and a number of families, as they traveled to Istanbul, Izmir, Ankara, and the Cappadocia region. Presentations will focus on topics such as history and politics, refugees, role of women in business and nonprofits, customs and hospitality.

Exhibit - The Health Resource Center: Helping to Bridge the Delmar Divide

April 3 - 9

Learning Resources Center, Medical Center Library

Sponsored by: Medical Center Library

Not all borders are international... some are found in our own communities. As part of this year's Atlas Week, an exhibit at the Medical Center Library will highlight the work being done by SLU medical & health sciences students to reach across the Delmar Divide to an area where access to health care is greatly limited.

The Pulsera Project Bracelet Sales

April 4 - 7

11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Busch Student Center, North Lobby

Sponsored by: Caribbean and Latin American Student Organization & Latin American Studies Program

The Pulsera Project is a nonprofit organization that educates, empowers, and connects Nicaraguan artists with students in more than 1,000 U.S. schools through the sale of colorful handwoven bracelets, or "pulseras" in Spanish. Students from CALSA will be selling bracelets from the Pulsera Project throughout the week. 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.