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International Activities at SUNY Cortland
One Year with Pope Francis

This discussion of Time Magazine’s “Person of the Year” will be led by Bishop Emeritus Matthew H. Clark

Sponsored by: The O’Heron Newman Catholic Chapel & Clark Center for International Education

Since Jorge Mario Bergoglio stepped out onto the veranda at St. Peter’s Basilica and took the name Papa Francesco, or “Pope Francis,” the international community has started paying attention to the new Pope’s policies. The first non-European to assume this responsibility, Pope Francis, originally from Argentina, has been depicted as the most open-minded person to ever hold this seat. His revolutionary commentary on the role of women in the Church, acceptance of homosexuality, criticism of capitalism, and talk of the global sexual abuse crisis have each warranted media attention. What will happen next for Pope Francis? What may we expect to happen to the Church in the coming years? This talk will tackle all of these issues.
Bishop Emeritus Matthew H. Clark has dedicated 33 years of service as the Bishop of the Diocese of Rochester, New York. As a published author and supporter of women in ministry, he is highly regarded in the religious community. This past year, Bishop Clark was honored with the President’s Medal, which is Fordham University’s highest and most prestigious award. His background and experience will provide great insight into the future direction of the Catholic Church.

Brooks Museum Poster Session ‘Global Conflict – World Peace’ & Student Presentations ‘Global Problems-Potential Resolutions’

Issues of global conflict and world peace will be highlighted by visual aids as well as student presentations

Part of the Brooks Museum 2013-2014 Lecture Series: Cultures in Conflict; Pathways to Resolution

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

(Hosted by the International Awareness Club)
Date: March 19th from 3:30-4:30pm
Location:
Sociology/Anthropology Lobby of Moffett (near Brooks Museum)

Posters will feature information on present-day conflicts including:

- South Sudan (presented by Jonathan Moore)
- Syria (presented by Alec Birnbach)
- Arab-Israeli issues (presented by Stephanie Offutt)
- Ukraine (presented by Sylvia Hahn Berman)
- Thailand (presented by Molly Cairns)
- Democratic Republic of Congo (presented by Molly McGirr)
- Brazil (presented by Jessica Tello)
- Venezuela (presented by David Student Presentations

Date: March 19th @ 4:30pm
Location: Moffett 2125

Kayla Douglas
Undergraduate Student, International Studies/French
“The Hmong People of East Asia: A Quest for Survival”

Brady Foster
Undergraduate Student, Political Science
“The Aftermath: The Newtown Tragedy and its Effects on Workers’ Compensation”

Rosie McKee – Representing the Model UN Club
Undergraduate Student, Communications Studies
“After Independence: The Fragile Peace in Modern Eritrea”

Juliette Wurm
Undergraduate Student, History
“The Religious Context of the Glorious Revolution”
Revolution: Solution...or Mistake?
A panel discussion on revolutions past and present

Sponsored by the Asian and Middle Eastern Studies Committee and the Clark Center for International Education

Panelists:
Girish Bhat
SUNY Cortland, History Department
Lessons from the Russian Revolution

Alexandru Balas
SUNY Cortland, International Studies Program
Bloody Revolution: Romania in 1989

Gigi Peterson
SUNY Cortland, History Department
The Mexican Revolution: Lasting Effects

Zenon Wasyliw
Ithaca College, History Department
Moment by Moment: Revolution in Ukraine

Date: Wednesday, March 26 @ 7:00 pm
Location: Fireplace Lounge

Moderator:
Cortland Study Abroad Promoters (CSAP)
Give 5 minutes of class time for a Study Abroad presentation

The CSAP program is built around promoting and educating students of Study Abroad programs, not only those here in Cortland but also the many opportunities via other SUNY schools and institutions. One of the many ways we promote study abroad is by visiting classrooms and presenting our own study abroad experiences and discussing with students the many options and opportunities there are to study abroad. Please consider donating a short period of your class time and have a returned study abroad student describe the amazing opportunities and benefits that studying abroad can offer.

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

Study Abroad in Ghana this Summer
Program Faculty-led by Dr. Seth Asumah
Application Deadline: April 1st

This once-in-a-lifetime educational opportunity will consist of participation in a tour of cultural, economic, historical and educational locations while in Ghana. The Program involves the creation of a log and journal during the trip that is used for the completion of a reflection/term paper about the experience upon return to the US. Students earn six credits towards graduation as well as the chance to gain the valuable experience of being a world traveler.
For more information about the program requirements, application components and costs, please make an appointment in the International Programs Office or visit the SUNY Cortland webpage concerning a summer in Ghana.

Teach in Thailand this Summer
Program Faculty-led by Dr. Orvil White
Application Deadline: April 1st

Are you an education major looking to go abroad but not sure how to work it into your schedule? Teaching in Thailand could be your best bet! This unique program allows students to gain valuable ESL teaching experience by being immersed in a classroom of Thai students. It provides the chance to learn about the long and storied history of the Thai culture; its religions, customs, and food while earning 6 credits under the beautiful Thai sun!

To learn more about this exciting opportunity, please visit SUNY Cortland’s International Programs webpage on “Teach in Thailand” with details on program dates, a tentative budget, and accommodation information.

International Activities in the Area

“Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction”

Lecture by Assistant Secretary of Defense Andrew C. Weber

Event Part of the Cornell University Foreign Policy Distinguished Speaker Series
Date: March 27th @4:30pm  
Location: Lewis Auditorium –  
Goldwin Smith Hall, Cornell University

For further details concerning this highly anticipated talk, visit the Einaudi Center’s webpage.

A Cornell graduate himself, Andrew C. Weber is currently the principal advisor to the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics on matters related to nuclear, chemical, and biological defense programs. Mr. Weber’s nuclear duties include executing President Obama’s direction to ensure a safe, secure, and effective nuclear weapons stockpile. He oversees regions spanning the Middle East, Africa, and the Asia-Pacific. He will speak from 28 years of public service experience on his work for the United States government and nuclear terrorism in general.
Intercultural Horizons 2014: Currents in Community Development, Civic Engagement, and Intercultural Competence

Sponsored by: SUNY Geneseo and Siena Italian Studies

Session Proposal Due Date: May 31, 2014

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

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

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

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

Fellowship & Scholarship Announcements

Rotary Peace Fellowship
Master’s Degree & Professional Development Certificate Fellowships

**Deadline:** July 1, 2014 to Rotary International, deadline for submitting to a local club can vary

Are you about to graduate and looking for a way to make an impact on the world? The Rotary Peace Fellowship funds some of the world’s brightest professionals to study at their Rotary Peace Centers. The fellowships cover tuition and fees, room and board, round-trip transportation as well as all internship/field study expenses.

Is a Peace Fellowship right for you?
Applicant qualifications include:

- A strong commitment to international understanding and peace which can be demonstrated with prior professional and academic achievements, as well as community service
- A bachelor’s degree with strong academic achievement
- Relevant work experience
- Proficiency in

Where are the fellowship placements?

**Master’s Degree:**

- Duke University and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (United States)
- International Christian University (Japan)
- University of Bradford (United Kingdom)
- University of Queensland (Australia)
- Uppsala University (Sweden)

The master’s degree fellowships last 15-24 months and require a practical
English, as well as a second language if applying for master’s degree fellowship

For more information about this exciting opportunity, please visit link to Rotary Peace Fellowship webpage.

Professional Development Certificate:

- Chulalongkorn University (Thailand)
  This Bangkok based program involves 3 months of studying peace and conflict resolution, including 2-3 weeks of field study. Up to 50 certificates are awarded each year.

Study Abroad Scholarships

The SUNY Cortland International Programs Office is pleased to announce that SUNY Plattsburg has several study abroad scholarships available to students

Deadline: Queensland – March 15 / East Anglia – April 15

University of Queensland Scholarship
Up to two $5,000 scholarships are available to students accepted to study at the University of Queensland in the fall of

University of East Anglia International Summer School Scholarship
Up to three $2,000 scholarships are available for students to study at the University of East Anglia in
2014. UQ is among the top 100 universities in the world and located in Brisbane, Australia.

The summer of 2014. The university is ranked among the world’s top 1% and located in Norwich, England.

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey (TÜBİTAK)

Graduate Scholarship Program for International Students

Deadline: April 12, 2014

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

Eligibility Information can be found here

The scholarship will consist of:

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

**TUBITAK Fellowships for visiting scholars and academic staff on sabbatical**

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

**Deadline:** Ongoing (last working day of each month)

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

[For more information about TUBITAK scholarships click here.](#)

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