

# Clark Center for International Education| Newsletter



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## **International Events at SUNY Cortland**

**"The UN at 70: Constructing a Balance Sheet"**

**Lecture by: Dr. Paul Diehl, President, International Studies Association & Associate Provost, Director of Teaching-Learning Initiatives, and an Ashbel Smith Professor of**

## **Political Science at the University of Texas at Dallas.**

**Sponsored by: International Studies Program, Clark Center for International Education, Political Science Department, President's Office, and a College Artist and Lecture Series (CALS) Grant.**



The UN turned 70 on October 24, 2015. As the UN finishes its seventh decade of existence, it has both its advocates and its detractors. Yet how should one evaluate the UN? This talk presents some key considerations in determining the value of the UN in international politics, with the goal of moving beyond polemics by using insights from evaluation research. The lecture is free and open to the public.

Date: Thursday, March 3,  
2016 at 4:30 PM

Location: Brockway Hall,  
Jacobus Lounge

**“Turning Good Teaching on Its Head: A Thought Experiment”**

**Lecture by: Dr. Paul Diehl, Associate Provost, Director of Teaching-Learning Initiatives & Ashbel Smith Professor of Political Science at the University of Texas at Dallas**

**Sponsored by: Clark Center for International Education and the Faculty Development Center (FDC)**



There is a consensus on what are some of the key dimensions or indicators of good teaching. What if we took the opposite of those elements? Might we learn something by turning good teaching on its head? The speaker will discuss the value of two instances of good teaching turned on its head.

Date: Thursday, March 3,  
2016 at 12:30 PM

Location: Corey Union,  
Exhibition Lounge

**“Fulbright Ambassador to Speak to Faculty and Students  
about the Nation’s Flagship International Exchange  
Program”**

**Lecture by: Dr. John Allegrante, Senior Professor of Health  
Education, Fulbright Student Program Advisor, and Fulbright  
Campus Representative at Teachers College, the Graduate  
and Professional School of Education, Columbia University**

**Sponsored by: Research and Sponsored Programs Office and  
the Clark Center for International Education.**



Fulbright Ambassador, Dr. John Allegrante (SUNY Cortland Class of '74), will be presenting about the Fulbright U.S. Scholar Program to interested faculty and students. The Federally sponsored Fulbright U.S. Scholar program provides opportunities for exchanges between U.S. faculty/students and international institutions. Dr. Allegrante's presentation will focus on his experience as a Fulbright U.S. Scholar and the benefits of participating in the Fulbright Program.

Date: Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at 2:00 PM  
(Faculty) and 4:30 PM  
(Students)

Location: Old Main,  
Colloquium (Faculty) and  
Moffett, Room 2125  
(Students)

**“From Arab Spring to Balkan Winter: Self-Immolation and the Politics of Austerity”**

**Lecture by: Martin Marinos, Doctoral Student, Department of Communications, Pittsburg University, Screenwriter (Plamen)**

**Sponsored by: Philosophy Department, Clark Center for International Education, Project for Eastern and Central Europe, Center for Gender and Intercultural Studies, and a CALS Grant**



Martin Marinos will discuss his award-winning short documentary Plamen (Flame), about the life and death of 37-year-old Bulgarian artist and construction worker Plamen Goranov, who set himself on fire in February 2013 in protest of the politics of austerity in the country. As part of his lecture, he will show the 20 minute documentary, and will talk about both the anti-austerity protests in Eastern Europe at the time and the process of production and reception of the film by audiences at international festivals.

Date: Tuesday, March 1,  
2016 from 6PM to 8PM

Location: Brockway Hall,  
Jacobus Lounge

## **International Activities in the SUNY Cortland Area**

**“The Challenge of Emergent Military Technologies to the  
Just War Tradition”**

**Lecture by: Dr. Benjamin Banta, Assistant Professor of  
International Ethics, Department of Political Science,  
Rochester Institute of Technology**

**Sponsored by: Mario Einaudi Center for International  
Studies, Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies,  
Global Cornell**



Benjamin Banta, Assistant Professor of International Ethics, Department of Political Science, Rochester Institute of Technology, will speak about "The Challenge of Emergent Military Technologies to the Just War Tradition" at the Judith Reppy Institute for Peace and Conflict Studies weekly brown bag seminar. ([Cornell University](#))

Date: Thursday, March  
10, 2016 at 12:15

Location: Uris Hall, Room  
G-08, Cornell University

## **Fellowship, Grant & Scholarship Announcements**

**Study Abroad in Transylvania at Babes-Bolyai University,  
Cluj-Napoca, Romania**

**Fall 2016 Semester**

**1 Scholarship: Round-Trip Flight + Monthly Stipend Paid by  
the European Union's Erasmus+ Key Action 1 Program**

**Deadline: March 15, 2016**

Babes-Bolyai University is the largest university in Romania.

**Courses offered in English.** You can also take courses in any of these other languages: Romanian, Hungarian, German, and French.

### **Who is eligible?**

Undergraduate Students in the following disciplines:

International Studies  
Political Science  
Finances and Banking / Management / Business Administration  
Journalism / Communication  
Public Health  
Modern Languages

### **Why?**

Study in Central Europe  
Very international university and college town  
Up to 1,200 Euros round-trip flight paid by UBB (Syracuse- Cluj-  
Napoca ~ 1,000 Euro)  
750 Euros/month for 5 months stipend from UBB  
Low Cost of Living (~50 Euro/month/dorm room)

Upload applications by April 15 to the International Programs Office's website. For more information please check the [study abroad website for Babes-Bolyai University here.](#)

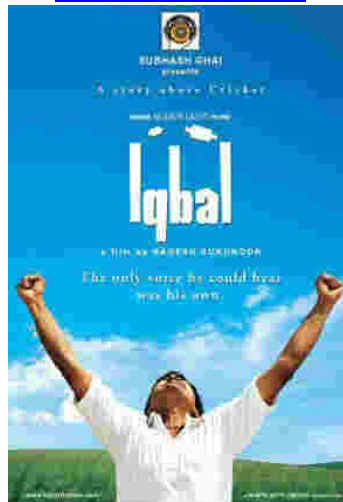
## **Foreign Films @ SUNY Cortland**

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

For this week's newsletter we have chosen the film "Iqbal"

## "Iqbal" (India, 2005)

### [Access Film](#)



"There's nothing like a sporting underdog to fire the imagination and writer/director Nagesh Kukunoor exploits every cliché in the book in this stirring story of a deaf-mute Indian boy who defies his strict Islamic father to fulfil his dream of becoming a fast bowler.

The fact that his mother and sister support Shreyas Talpade's coaching sessions with washed-up ex-cricketer Naseeruddin Shah also allows Kukunoor to examine patriarchal society. The montage sequences of Talpade fitting fitness routines around his chores on the family farm sap some of the energy from the film, but otherwise this is a stirring tale about overcoming seemingly insurmountable odds." ([Radio Times](#))

[Watch the trailer for "Iqbal" here](#)

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