

UNC Charlotte International Festival Celebrating the Cultures of Our Community



Join us and encourage your students to explore more than 50 cultural displays at the 41st annual UNC Charlotte International Festival on Saturday, September 24, at Barnhardt Student Activity Center from 10am-6pm. Through the arts, crafts, costumes, food, music, and dance showcased, the International Festival is rich with opportunities to connect to relevant course themes.

The Festival is a campus tradition that has endless potential to engage your students around our self and cultural awareness learning outcome, as well as other developmental areas. In 2016 we will be featuring the cultural diversity and engagement showcased within UNC Charlotte and throughout the city of Charlotte. Faculty are encouraged to consider incorporating curriculum opportunities linked to the program such as: reflective essay on passport prompt questions, video blog/diary of cultural discoveries, interview assignment with appropriate country representatives, and more!

Sign-in sheets are available on site and can be distributed to faculty wishing to grant credit for attending and/or volunteering for the event. Contact OIP for additional engagement and reflection assignment ideas. Details about the International Festival are available online at ifest.uncc.edu.

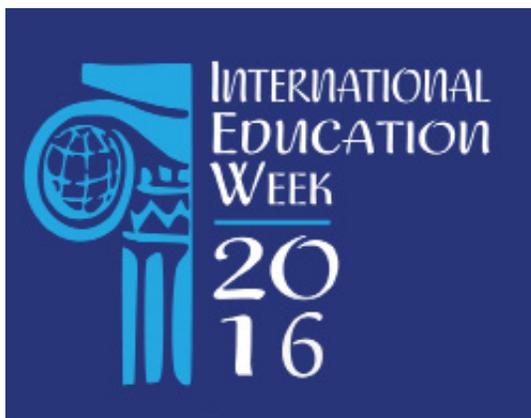
OIP-Facilitated Classroom Presentations

Study Abroad Classroom Presentations are offered by the Office of Education Abroad. Expand your students' horizons with an engaging introduction to the study abroad experience by incorporating a classroom presentation into your syllabus. OEA staff and/or trained student interns will come to your class for a pre-arranged period of time. Contact OEA at edabroad@uncc.edu for details.



International Student Panel Discussions are provided by the International Student and Scholar Office, featuring a panel of international students trained as Cultural Ambassadors. Submit your request regarding your area of interest and ISSO staff will coordinate and facilitate a student panel. Go online to submit your request at <https://isso.uncc.edu/webform/cultural-ambassador-program>. Contact ISSO with any general questions at intlssso@uncc.edu.

International Education Week Opportunities



Funding for International Education Week Programming, November 14-18:

Limited funding is available through OIP to support and co-sponsor departmentally-organized initiatives which advance campus internationalization for inclusion in International Education Week 2016. Faculty are encouraged to submit programs for inclusion in this week of lectures, presentations, and performances organized each November to celebrate our campus commitment to global and international understanding. Find event submission and funding request forms as well as listings of events from previous celebrations at oip.uncc.edu/programs-speakers-and-events/international-education-week.

Did you know? UNC Charlotte currently hosts nearly 2,000 international students from approximately 90 countries and sends more than 600 students abroad each year.

Connect to Funding for Experiences Abroad

Encourage your students to attend one of these highlighted workshops for information on applying for and funding experiences abroad.

Direct students to edabroad@uncc.edu for more information or to RSVP.

Fulbright US Student Grant Program



The Fulbright US Student Program provides grants for individually designed study/research projects or for English

Teaching Assistant Programs.

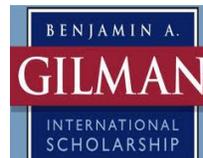
More details on Fulbright opportunities and links to the application are available at <http://us.fulbrightonline.org/>. UNC Charlotte conducts an internal review/selection process. The campus deadline to submit for application review with the Office of Education Abroad is 5:00pm on September 19, 2016. Contact OEA Director and Fulbright Program Student Advisor, Brad Sekulich at sekulich@uncc.edu.

Gilman Scholarship Program

Wednesday, September 7 from 4:00-5:00pm

Thursday, September 15 from 4:00-5:00pm

Location TBD



The Gilman Scholarship Program offers awards to US undergraduates receiving Federal Pell Grant funding to diversify the demographics of students who study abroad and their destinations. Awards typically range between \$1,000 and \$5,000. The Office of Education Abroad staff provide guidance and advice for students to complete competitive applications. Scholarship details are online at <http://www.iese.org/programs/gilman-scholarship-program#.V6u7RjU-JBA>.

Boren Scholarships and Fellowships



The Boren Scholarships and Fellowships provide unique funding opportunities for US undergraduate and graduate students to study less commonly taught languages and topics in world regions critical to US interests and

underrepresented in study abroad including Africa, Asia, Central and Eastern Europe, Eurasia, Latin America, and the Middle East. More details on Boren opportunities are available at <https://www.borenawards.org>.

English Language Resources for UNC Charlotte International Graduate Students and Visiting Scholars

The OIP English Language Training Institute offers three programs to support international graduate students and visiting scholars:

International Teaching Assistants (ITAs) Language Assessment

ITAs are assessed for language and instructional readiness skills before beginning their teaching assignments and attend a support course as appropriate.

Visiting Scholars Language Support

UNC Charlotte visiting scholars are invited to attend a language support course to help develop spoken English skills as well as to share their experiences with fellow scholars.

International Graduate Students English Assistance

International graduate students at UNC Charlotte can take advantage of a six week spoken English support course focused on improving their spoken comprehensibility and pronunciation.

For information contact the International Instructor Language Support Program (IILSP) at ITAsupport@uncc.edu. The IILSP is a program within the English Language Training Institute (ELTI), a unit within OIP which offers intensive English training to non-native speakers. More information on ELTI is available at elti.uncc.edu.

Encourage your Students to Engage Globally

International Speaker Series

Contact: Office of International Programs

Locations for specific speakers available online

international@uncc.edu



Join your students to engage with speakers on topics ranging from economics to globalization and foreign policy. Past speakers have included political dignitaries, current or former ambassadors, and prominent scholars in their fields. All speakers will be announced at a later date. For more information on the series, see oip.uncc.edu/calendar/international-speaker-series

Talmage Boston's "Five Commandments for Presidential Leadership"



Tuesday, October 18, 2016

3:30-5:00pm

Atkins Library, Halton Reading Room

Expert lawyer and author of *Cross-Examining History: A Lawyer Gets Answers From the Experts About Our Presidents*, Boston will summarize the

most important traits in a president and offer unbiased questions that we should ask ourselves about the current election, based on the history of Presidents.

Friendship and Culture Exchange Program

Contact: International Student and Scholar Office

intlssso@uncc.edu



Encourage your students to enroll in this one-on-one conversation partner program where US and international students are matched and meet independently to exchange ideas and learn about their respective cultures. Information and application are available online at isso.uncc.edu/programs/international-friendship-culture-exchange-program.

International Coffee Hour

4:00-6:00pm in the Prospector Faculty/Staff Gold Room

Contact: International Student and Scholar Office

intlssso@uncc.edu



International and US domestic students, faculty, and staff are encouraged to enjoy coffee and conversation at this informal gathering. The first gathering is Thursday, September 1 and the program will continue on the first and third Thursdays of each month.

Volunteer Conversation Partners

Contact: English Language Training Institute

elti@uncc.edu



The English Language Training Institute (ELTI) enrolls roughly 100 students each semester from around the world, helping them to improve their English to matriculate into degree programs at UNC Charlotte or elsewhere. ELTI students are often interested in meeting English-speaking peers for language and cultural exchange and to practice their English outside the classroom. If you have students who express interest in working with international students or who are in search of service projects where this type of experience would be appropriate, direct them to ELTI.

Fall Study Abroad Fair

Wednesday, September 21 at the SAC Food Court

Contact: Office of Education Abroad

edabroad@uncc.edu



Join the Office of Education Abroad at the biannual Study Abroad Fair where students can learn more about all of their study abroad opportunities! Representatives from international universities, program providers, as well as faculty and study abroad alumni, will be present to assist students as they browse different program options from 10:00am-2:00pm.

“Our institution has enjoyed a long and active tradition of supporting the internationalization and exchange efforts on our campus.” Phillip L. Dubois, Chancellor, UNC Charlotte

Call for Nominations: Sponsored Student Memberships to the World Affairs Council of Charlotte



OIP is accepting nominations for a limited number of honorary student memberships to the World Affairs Council of Charlotte (WACC). WACC serves as a regional center for global education and engagement and is hosted on the UNC Charlotte campus in OIP. Student membership will allow access to WACC’s programming and networking at a reduced student rate.

Upcoming WACC programs and more information can be found at worldaffairscharlotte.org. Nominations are accepted until Friday, September 16. For information on the nomination process, please contact international@uncc.edu.

Global Career & Internship Resources



In keeping with the University’s commitment to developing students’ global competencies, the Office of International Programs has partnered with the University Career Center (UCC) to make the

GoinGlobal online database of international jobs and internships available.

In addition to internship information, the site provides country-specific, USA-city-specific, and H-1B resources. Access is available through the UCC website as well as through the OIP website at <https://oip.uncc.edu/webform/goinglobal>. Questions about international internships can be directed to the Office of Education Abroad at edabroad@uncc.edu or the UCC at career@uncc.edu.

Seeking Faculty to Partner on Short-term Training Programs

The Office of Intercultural and Educational Experiences (OIEE) designs customized short-term training and/or educational programs hosted at UNC Charlotte for international students, faculty, or professionals throughout the year. OIEE has recently hosted groups from Japan, Australia, and South Africa for programs focused on international business and comparative education, as well for language and cultural exchange.

OIEE seeks faculty from across disciplines at UNC Charlotte as well as Charlotte area professionals for partnerships in existing and new program development. Faculty interested in developing new curriculum for groups or teaching for one of our current programs should contact intercultural@uncc.edu. OIEE is a program within the English Language Training Institute, a unit within OIP. General details about OIEE are available online at <http://intercultural.uncc.edu/>.

International Country Flags Available for Campus Use

The Office of International Programs (OIP) is pleased to offer the campus community the use of country flags from any of the 193 members of the United Nations at internationally-relevant campus events. OIP also has an “all world” country flag that showcases the UN country flags in one large flag that is available for use.

A free loan system is in place through OIP for UNC Charlotte community members to borrow the flags with or without their weighted bases and flagpoles.

Any UNC Charlotte department, college, or organization interested in utilizing this service may contact international@uncc.edu for more information.

