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EBOLA INFOCUS: FEAR, FASCINATION, AND THE GLOBAL RESPONSE TO PANDEMICS
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You are invited to InFocus, a monthly conversation on today’s hot topics. As you know, Ebola is spreading throughout parts of Africa and at least one case is now confirmed in the U.S. This month’s conversation will focus on the emergence of pandemics such as Ebola, and our conflicting attitudes and responses to such crises. Dr. Heather Lindstrom, Research Assistant Professor, Department of Epidemiology & Environmental Health, UB will moderate the discussion.

Date:  Friday, October 10
Time:  12:00-1:00
Place:  Capen Hall 107, North Campus

Sponsored by Student Life, the Honors College and International Student & Scholar Services

https://www.facebook.com/transcendingbordersUB

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GLOBAL CINEMASPECTIVES FILM & DISCUSSION SERIES: “WADJDA”
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A young Saudi girl enters her school’s Koran recitation competition as a way to raise the money she needs to buy a green bicycle that has captured her interest. Her efforts at memorizing the verses impress her teacher, but when she wins the competition and announces her intention to buy the bicycle, her teachers have another idea what to do with the money.

Prof. Jeannette Ludwig, Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, will introduce the film and lead a discussion following the screening.

Date:  Friday, October 10
Time:  5:00-7:30 p.m.
Place:  Norton Hall 216, North Campus

Co-sponsored by International Student & Scholar Services and the Undergraduate Academies
The Center for Excellence in Writing (CEW) offers one-on-one writing consultations to UB students. The consultants discuss essays, reports, application materials, theses, dissertations, etc. They serve as a thoughtful, informed audience for writers across the disciplines and help them make choices about revision.

The CEW also offers special programs for graduate students: Dissertation Retreats and Writing Groups. If you are interested, please email writing@buffalo.edu.

For more information, please visit http://writing.buffalo.edu

Do you enjoy meeting new people, playing games and having tea? If so, please join us for International Tea Time!

International Tea Time brings together international and U.S. students for conversation and fun. They meet, play games, talk and have fun getting to know each other. For more information contact: elenayak@buffalo.edu.

Dates: Every Thursday
Time: 5:00-6:30
Place: Student Union 240, North Campus

Organizer: UB Counseling Services

The Center for Excellence in Writing's English Conversation Corner provides an informal, relaxed atmosphere for students who would like to practice their English conversation skills.

Dates: Mondays – Thursdays
Time: 12:00-1:30
Place: Baldy Hall 209, North Campus
ISSS WORKSHOPS

“H-1B Visas: An Information Session for Students”
Tuesday, October 7
3:30-4:30
Norton Hall 216, North Campus

“Your F-1 Immigration Status: A Refresher”
Thursday, October 9
2:00-3:30
Norton Hall 210, North Campus

“Cultural Tips for the University Environment”
Friday, October 10
3:00-4:30
Capen Hall 258, North Campus

“AAA Driver Improvement Course”
Saturday, October 11
9:00-3:30
Student Union 210, North Campus

ISSS TRIPS & ACTIVITIES

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LETCHWORTH STATE PARK AT YOUR OWN PACE
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Come visit Letchworth State Park, where you can witness autumn leaves changing colors. Afterwards, enjoy a tour of an apple orchard and visit a country store.

Date: Saturday, October 18
Meeting Time: 8:30 a.m. (Flint Loop, North Campus)
Return Time: 5:00 p.m. (Flint Loop, North Campus)
Sign-Up Deadline: 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, October 16 (or until sold out)
Cost: $11 (for transportation & park admission) (nonrefundable)
What to Bring: picnic lunch, water, rain gear
UPCOMING EVENTS

TALK ON THE CURRENT STATUS OF DEMOCRATIZATION IN TURKEY

Mahir Zeynalov is a journalist who started his career with the Los Angeles Times and is currently a correspondent for Today’s Zaman. He will speak on the current status of the democratization of Turkey, including current political developments, impacts on social life and groups, and freedom of the press.

Date: Thursday, October 9
Time: 5:00-7:00 p.m.
Place: Rosary Hall, Daemen College, 4380 Main Street, Amherst, NY

Sponsored by Daemen College and the Peace Island Institute

ASIA AT NOON: “VIOLENCE, TRAUMA AND RESILIENCE: EXPERIENCES OF CHILDREN FROM MUMBAI’S RED LIGHT AREAS”

Individuals, families and communities are embedded in socio-cultural, political and economic hierarchies that determine access to resources for survival and development. In India, these structural hierarchies pertain to stark gender, caste, ethnic, regional and income disparities. Familial socio-economic standing and the relative status of children within the family affect quality of life during childhood and life trajectories. Women in low-income prostitution in India are among the most disenfranchised groups in the country; preliminary research suggests that they and their children experience chronic violence. Yet, little is known about the children’s mental and emotional wellbeing. Further, while frontline workers allude to the ingenuity and courage these children display in coping with their realities, factors promoting resilience have not been measured systematically. This presentation shares findings from a study on exposure to violence, the presence of trauma symptoms and factors promoting resilience among 146 community and shelter-based children from two red-light areas in Mumbai.

Date: Friday, October 9
Time: 12:00-1:00
Place: Park Hall 280, North Campus
Presenter: Shraddha Prabhu, PhD Candidate, UB School of Social Work
For additional information, email backer@buffalo.edu.

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“Graduate Students: The Academic Job Search and Job Talk Basics (for faculty and research positions)”
Tuesday, October 7
3:30-4:30
Student Union 210, North Campus

“Universal Design Yoga”
Tuesdays, October 7 – November 11
4:30-6:00
Greiner Hall B118, North Campus

“UB Majors and Careers Night: Pre-Event Networking Tips Session”
Tuesday, October 7
5:00-5:30
Student Union 210, North Campus

“UB Majors and Careers Night”
Tuesday, October 7
5:30-7:00
Student Union 145, North Campus

“Leading Self: What Are Triggers and How to Recognize and Manage Them”
Tuesday, October 7
5:30-6:30
Student Union 240, North Campus

“Professionalism: Using LinkedIn for Job and Internship Searching”
Wednesday, October 8
4:00-5:00
Capen Hall 212, North Campus

“Partying Too Much”
Wednesday, October 8
5:00-6:00
Student Union 306, North Campus
“Plan Your Quit: A Smoking Cessation Workshop”
Thursday, October 9
12:30-1:30
Student Union 250, North Campus

“How to Help a Sexual Assault Survivor”
Thursday, October 9
2:00-3:00
Student Union 210, North Campus

“Peer 2 Peer: On-Campus Opportunities”
Thursday, October 9
3:30-4:30
Student Union 145A, North Campus

“Professionalism: Soft Skills Employers Want You to Have”
Thursday, October 9
3:30-4:30
Student Union 145C, North Campus