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   “Leading for Change: Speaking UP!”
I. INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BRUNCH

The International Committee of the UB Women’s Club invites you and your family to their Brunch and Social Hour on Tuesday, April 14. The lunch will be from 11:00-1:00 (or until the food runs out) in Student Union 210. Come enjoy a free meal and meet new friends!

II. “AMERICAN WAYS TO IMPRESS, NETWORK AND GET HIRED”

Did you know that it takes less than 10 seconds for a recruiter to get a first impression of you? Come to this interactive workshop by UB alumnae and former international student Jennifer Kumar and learn how to create a memorable first impression and inspire confidence in recruiters and interviewers.

Date: Friday, April 17
Time: 3:30-5:00
Place: Talbert Hall 115, North Campus

Presenter: Jennifer Kumar is the Managing Director of Authentic Journeys in Kochi, India. She facilitates programs for professionals from India working with U.S. counterparts. She consults with local Indian start-ups, national companies in India, and multinationals. Some of her clients are UST Global, EY, Allianz and Microsoft. Her area of her expertise is cross-cultural and interpersonal effectiveness relative to employability, interviewing, networking and in the workplace. For more information, visit: www.authenticjourneys.info/.

III. GLOBAL CINEMASPECTIVES FILM & DISCUSSION SERIES: “SUGAR CANE ALLEY”

José is a young boy living in a rural part of Martinique in the 1930s. Many of the people around him, including his grandmother, work in the sugar cane fields and are often mistreated by the white boss. José goes to school at the insistence of his grandmother, who doesn't want him to end up working in the fields. He wins a partial scholarship to attend high school in the capital. His grandmother accompanies him there and works as a laundrywoman for the rich white ruling class to pay for costs. José deals with pressures around him, especially from one of his teachers. When he writes an essay on the lives of poor blacks, he is accused of plagiarism. Then, when his grandmother dies, he is launched into a future he cannot control.
Prof. Christian Flaugh, Department of Romance Languages and Literatures, UB, will introduce the film and lead a discussion following the screening.

Co-sponsored by International Student & Scholar Services and the Undergraduate Academies

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ALISON DES FORGES MEMORIAL COMMITTEE INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM: “ISLAM, ISLAMISM AND HUMAN RIGHTS IN AFRICA”
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In an effort to address issues of intense public concern, the symposium will explore in depth the recent rise of violent extremist groups in Africa. In so doing, it will go beyond sensational media headlines to the historical roots of this phenomenon as it examines groups such as Boko Haram, Seleka, and Al-Shabaab. Taking into consideration cultural values, global interests, socioeconomic conditions, and human rights, the presenters will focus on the complex interplay of religion, politics, modernity, terrorism, and human rights.

Presenters: Maria Burnett, Human Rights Watch; John Foley, East and Horn of Africa Human Rights Defenders Project (via Skype); Bruce Hall, Duke University; Jacob D. Kathman, UB Department of Political Science; Martin Klein, University of Toronto; Ndubueze Mbah, UB Department of History

Date: Thursday, April 23
Time: 9:30-4:00
Place: Clemens 120, North Campus

Sponsors: Alison Des Forges Memorial Committee, UB Departments of History and Political Science, Humanities Institute and Office of the Vice Provost for International Education
Co-Sponsors: Muslim Public Affairs Council of Western New York, UB Baldy Center for Law and Social Policy

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ELI CHAT ROOM

Practice your conversation skills at the English Language Institute’s Chat Room! Participate in a weekly face-to-face conversation program involving one U.S. undergraduate student paired with two international students.

**Dates**: Mondays – Fridays  
**Times**: 2:30, 3:00, 3:30 & 4:00  
**Place**: Near Baldy Hall 314, North Campus

For more information and to sign up, stop by the Chat Room table near Baldy Hall 314 from 2:00-4:00 on Mondays – Fridays and ask to speak with Sarah Spriggs.

ELI OPEN LAB

Practice your pronunciation and listening comprehension on your own with tapes at the English Language Institute’s Open Lab.

**Dates & Times**: Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 2:30-5:30 / Wednesdays, 12:30-3:30  
**Place**: Clemens Hall 3, North Campus

Free and open to all UB students. Bring your UB Card!

INTERNATIONAL TEA TIME

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 get to know each other. For more information contact: elenayak@buffalo.edu.

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

Organizer: UB Counseling Services
**UB CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE IN WRITING**

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](http://writing.buffalo.edu).

**ENGLISH CONVERSATION CORNER**

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.

- **Days:** Mondays – Fridays
- **Time:** 12:00-1:00
- **Place:** Baldy Hall 209, North Campus

For more information, call 645-5139, e-mail writing@buffalo.edu or visit [www.writing.buffalo.edu](http://www.writing.buffalo.edu).

**ISSS WORKSHOPS**

- **“Advanced Optional Practical Training: H-1B Cap Gap Extension & 17-Month STEM Extension”**
  - Wednesday, April 15
  - 4:00-4:50
  - Natural Sciences Complex 218, North Campus

- **“How to Buy and Maintain Your Car”**
  - Thursday, April 16
  - 3:30-5:00
  - Clemens Hall 120, North Campus

- **“Immigration: The Basics for Planning Your Future”**
  - Monday, April 20
  - 3:30-5:00
  - Know Hall 110, North Campus
GUIDED WALKING TOUR OF BUFFALO’S ALLENTOWN DISTRICT

Join us for a professionally-guided tour and explore Buffalo’s historic Allentown district. Allentown has become one of the city’s main art, cultural and historical districts. It has also been home to a number of famous Buffalonians, including U.S. President Millard Fillmore, Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) and author F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Date: Saturday, April 18  
Meeting Time: 9:30 a.m.  
Meeting Place: NFTA Metro Train Station, South Campus  
Return Time: 1:00 p.m. (or later for those who stay for the optional lunch)  
Cost: $12 (for tour) (non-refundable) A $4 fee for Metro Rail transportation must be paid at the train station on the day of the event.  
Sign-Up Deadline: 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, April 16 (or when sold out)

Sign up at https://www.ubevents.org/event/1415issstrips

UPCOMING EVENTS

FILM SCREENING: “A PATH APPEARS”

“A Path Appears” follows Nicholas Kristof, Sheryl WuDunn, actors and advocates to Colombia, Haiti, Kenya and throughout the United States to uncover harsh forms of gender-based oppression and human rights violations, as well as effective solutions being implemented to combat them.

Dates: Tuesday, April 14 and Wednesday, April 15  
Time: 12:00-1:00  
Place: Kimball Tower 111, South Campus

Following the screening, the following panelists will discuss the film.

Tuesday  
Mary Travers Murphy, Executive Director, Family Justice Center  
Sarah Robert, Assistant Professor, UB Graduate School of Education
Charles Syms, Clinical Associate Professor, UB School of Social Work
Gretchen Ely, Associate Professor, UB School of Social Work

Wednesday
Mary Travers Murphy, Executive Director, Family Justice Center
Sarah Robert, Assistant Professor, UB Graduate School of Education
Kathleen Kost, Associate Professor, UB School of Social Work
Anne Wadsworth, Executive Director, Girls Education Collaborative

Sponsored by the Office of Global Health Initiatives, and the School of Public Health and Health Professions

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12:30-1:30
Student Union 250, North Campus

“I Am Not My Hair”
Tuesday, April 14
3:30-5:00
Student Union 306, North Campus

“Leading for Change: How to Be an Ally – Ally 101”
Wednesday, April 15
5:00-6:00
Student Union 240, North Campus

“Etiquette Dinner”
Thursday, April 16
5:00-7:00
Talbert Hall Bert’s Café, North Campus

“Leading for Change: Advocacy in the Community – Ageism”
Thursday, April 16
5:30-6:30
Student Union 240, North Campus

“Leading Self: Articulating Your Service Experience on a Resume”
Friday, April 17
12:00-1:00
Student Union 235, North Campus
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