### Monday, November 12, 2007

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<td><strong>Matchmaking, Cupping, and Passing the Test: Life in China</strong>&lt;br&gt;Dr. Laura Liljequist, Associate Professor, Psychology&lt;br&gt;Ms. Pam Matlock, Lecturer, Special Education&lt;br&gt;Dr. Staci Stone, Chair &amp; Associate Professor, Department of English &amp; Philosophy&lt;br&gt;This presentation, informed by the experiences of three professors who participated in the Discover China program in June 2007, will address topics in education and family life. In addition, opportunities for traveling to and working in China will be discussed.</td>
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<td><strong>Integration of Islam into the Indonesian Culture</strong>&lt;br&gt;Dr. Iin Handayani, Assistant Professor, Agriculture Science&lt;br&gt;This session will illustrate the combination of Islamic beliefs and practices with local traditions, producing unique religious systems in different parts of Indonesia. Various issues of Islam in Indonesia, such as the role of the religious leader, Islam and gender, and Islam in-between cultural and ideological conflicts will be discussed.</td>
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<td><strong>Globalization on the ‘Fast-Track’: The End of Democracy</strong> with Commentary by Noam Chomsky&lt;br&gt;Nathan Jaco</td>
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<td>Faculty Hall 208</td>
<td><strong>Breaking Down the Dreary Steeples: Understanding Ulster Sectarianism</strong>&lt;br&gt;Dr. Sean Farrell, Guest Speaker, Northern Illinois University&lt;br&gt;Sean Farrell (PhD Wisconsin) is associate professor of history at Northern Illinois University. His book <em>Rituals and Riots: Sectarian Violence and Political Culture in Ulster, 1784-1886</em> (2000) received the <em>Donald Murphy Prize for Distinguished First Book in Irish Studies</em> from the American Conference for Irish Studies. He recently published <em>Shadows of the Gunmen: Violence, History and Art in Modern Ireland</em> (Danine Farquharson, co-ed.,) (2007).</td>
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<td>6:00-8:00</td>
<td>Mason Auditorium</td>
<td><strong>Access to Health Services Around the World</strong>&lt;br&gt;A panel discussion on access to and the quality of health services across the globe.</td>
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<td><strong>Doing Business Around the World</strong>&lt;br&gt;Brianna Bland - India, Joey Connors - Japan&lt;br&gt;Individual presentations on countries highlighting aspects of doing business in a foreign culture.</td>
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<td><strong>New World Syndrome: The Case of Kosrae, Fattest Place on Earth</strong>&lt;br&gt;Brad S. MacDonald, Assistant Professor/Reference Librarian, Waterfield Library&lt;br&gt;The availability and popularity of fatty Western foods is contributing to an epidemic of obesity in Oceania, the so-called “New World Syndrome.” This session examines the impact globalization has had upon the tiny Micronesian island of Kosrae, where Western imports have resulted in an obesity rate of 90%, considered to be the world’s highest.</td>
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<td><strong>Comparing Health Care in the US and Europe</strong>&lt;br&gt;Dr. Ann Beck, Associate Professor, Department of Government, Law and International Affairs&lt;br&gt;Reforms of health care in both the US and Europe deal with similar issues of access, equity, efficiency and effectiveness. Multiple social, demographic, and political forces affect how each country deals with health care policy. In this presentation, I present evidence that suggests that the very complex design of systems of health care in both western European countries and the US are converging. <strong>Homelessness in Germany and Policy Implications for the United States</strong>&lt;br&gt;Merry Miller LCSW ACSW, Senior Lecturer, Department of Social Work, Criminal Justice, and Gerontology&lt;br&gt;In spite of challenges unique to Germany after reunification, the estimated numbers of individuals without permanent places to live did not materialize. This presentation highlights the challenges faced; the service response provided and suggests some possible reasons for the discrepancy between the estimates of homelessness and the resultant numbers of persons without permanent residence. Policy implications for the United States will also be discussed.</td>
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A Comparison of the School Systems in Germany and France
Dr. Chuck Hulick, Professor Emeritus, Department of Educational Studies, Leadership, and Counseling
While the education systems in Western European countries are influenced by each country’s history and culture, the movement toward greater cooperation among countries of the European Union has led to discussions of the need for more commonalities in their schools. The school systems of Germany and France will be presented as examples to explore the similarities and differences which currently exist in these two EU member countries. Issues in the schools and trends in school changes will be highlighted.

Global Alumni Distinguished Lecture Series
Alumni Guests include:
Mike Fraser, ’82, Senior Vice President of National and International Sales with Safety-Kleen Systems Inc., Texas
Mike Williams, ’96, Vice President of Product Marketing with Memento Security, Boston

Moderator: Dr. Fred Miller

Wednesday, November 14, 2007
9:30-2:00 CC Ballroom
International Bazaar
MSU international students will showcase their native language, arts, food, religion and more.
Countries represented include: Belarus, Belize, Bulgaria, China, Cyprus, Germany, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Japan, Moldova, Morocco, Nigeria, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Taiwan, Tajikistan, Thailand, Tunisia, Ukraine

1:00 CC Mississippi Room
Persistent Pharmaceuticals and Organohalogenated Compounds: A Global Issue
Holly R. Mowery
Chemicals used to promote human health, including organohalogenated compounds, have the ability to remain persistent in the environment, posing possible threat to the wellbeing of humans and wildlife. Environmental and human contamination by such chemical pollutants, focusing on azithromycin in Murray Wastewater Treatment Plant and effects of polychlorinated biphenyls, organohalogenated compounds, in Japan and the United States will be explored.

2:00 CC Ohio Room
Culture of Tjikistan
Elena Volovich
A discussion of the Tjik interpretation of Islam and its application in daily life, cultural differences in upbringing of roles, vision of the government, and freedom of speech.

3:00 CC Barkley Room
Discover Korea
A discussion of various aspects of Korean culture, informed by faculty and staff participants of the 2007 Discover Korea program.

4:00-4:45 CC Mississippi Room
Globalization and the Sex Trade: Trafficking and the Commodification of Women and Children
Eden Davis, Katie French
A discussion of how the sex industry, previously considered marginal, has come to occupy a strategic and central position in the development of international capitalism. For this reason the sex trade is increasingly taking on the guise of an ordinary sector of the economy.

7:00-8:30 CC Barkley Room
Business Opportunities in Sustainable Development: The Webasto Story
Andreas Weller, VP of Business Development, Webasto
Dr. Neil Weber, Dean, College of Science, Engineering and Technology
Dr. Ted Thiede, Associate Professor, Engineering Physics
Reception to Follow

Thursday, November 15, 2007
1:00 CC Mississippi Room
The Family that Travels Together...Gets Lost Together!
Dr. Gina Claywell, Professor, English
This presentation discusses the practical benefits of international travel and globalization despite the logistical complications of traveling with a family including two teenagers and two grandparents to two countries none of the travelers had ever visited.
Senior Colloquium MLA 400: Culture and Literature from German- and Spanish-Speaking Countries
The Influences of the ‘White Rose’ during WWII and Today – Melanie Shepard
The Social Themes of the ‘Libro de Buen Amor’ – Sandi Hall
The Duality of Fray Luis de Leon: the Man, the Poet, and Bipolar Syndrome – Corrie Christy
The Life and Poetry of Gustavo Adolfo Béquer – Brianna Bland
Sexual Repression in the Life and Work of Federico García Lorca – Carrie Pond
A Look at the Poetry of García Lorca – Amanda Felber
Colonialism from the Perspective of Three Latin American Short Stories – Katie Cunningham
Jorge Carrera Andrade: Solidarity and Solitude – Cynthia Martinez
The Development of the Role of Women of Mexico – Alicia Christ
The Tradition Roles of Mexican Women in the Play ‘El eterno feminino’ by Rosario Castellanos – Keri Jackson

Iraq: Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow
Dr. Chris Bierwirth, Associate Professor, History
Dr. Farouk Umar, Professor, Government, Law & International Affairs
A review of how we got into this mess, survey of the current situation, and a discussion of some possible future scenarios, both “best-case” and “worst case.”

From Korea to Kentucky: Sampling New Foods as Opportunities for Both Cross-Cultural Enjoyment and Misadventure
Vicki Britton Kemp, Adjunct Faculty, ESL Program
Hyeja Jung, Assistant Professor, Art
This presentation explores the topic of food and food differences across cultures, specifically discussing our reactions to tastes and smells. A sampling of foods from Korea and the U.S. will be available to smell and taste.

Keynote Address: Minister Gier Chuang Aluong
Major General Gier Chuang Aluong was among the first to join the rebellion of Southern Sudanese forces in May 1983. Recruited into the Sudanese People’s Liberation Army, he later was appointed Commander of the signal unit of the SPLA, a post he continues to command today. Currently the Minister of Telecommunications and Postal Services in the Government of Southern Sudan, General Aluong remains a member of the military leadership council (GMC), the national liberation council (NLC) and the New Sudan National AIDS Council.

Reception to Follow

Older Women with Developmental Disabilities and Human Rights
Dr. Jo-Ann Hammons, Professor, Communication Disorders
This paper presents a global perspective on the impact of the International Year of Older Persons on the lives of elderly women with developmental disabilities to determine the progress countries are making to close the gap between rights for the non-disabled and disabled older persons.

Cultural Shifts of Women Around the Globe
Llena Chavis, Lecturer, Social Work
Jane Etheridge, Director of the Women’s Center
Sana Zbat, Graduate Student
This session will present examples of political systems or cultural shifts that affected the status of women around the globe.

Lost Boys of Sudan Banquet
By Invitation Only

For further details or to check on any additions or changes to the schedule, go to www.murraystate.edu/iew or email studyabroad@murraystate.edu.