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1. Burma scholar and Malaysia finance expert to keynote International Ed Week

The Division of International Programs is upping its global game this week as it celebrates International Education Week (IEW) with a week of activities, Nov. 11–15.

The week kicks off Monday, Nov. 11, with an international cookie giveaway from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the MLK Commons, the Holmes Student Center, and Barsema and DuSable halls and a Minorities and Study Abroad workshop set for 7:30 p.m. in 212 DuSable. All week long international menus will be served in the residence halls and the Blackhawk Food Court and international displays will be set up outside the Blackhawk and in Founders Memorial Library.

Two keynote lectures will highlight the week’s activities. On Tuesday, Nov. 12, the College of Business will host Islamic finance expert and NIU management alumna Datuk Noripah Kamso, who will speak about “Business and Economic Growth in Malaysia,” at 6:30 p.m. in Barsema Hall Auditorium. Kamso works with CIMB Islamic, Southeast Asia’s leading Islamic banking firm.

On Friday, Nov. 15, the Center for Southeast Asian Studies and the Graduate Colloquium will host Burma scholar Chie Ikeya of Rutgers University, who will present “Intra-Asian Families and Conjugalities in Colonial Burma and Southeast Asia: A History of Intimacies in the Age of Global Empire” from noon to 2 p.m. in the Sky Room at the Holmes Student Center. A light lunch will precede Ikeya’s lecture.

There are three new IEW events this year:

- An international careers panel at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 12, in Room 300 Barsema Hall. Panelists include assistant literacy professor James Cohen, assistant anthropology professor Mark Schuler, and Harry Lepinske, a global contractor with the College of Business. They will discuss teaching English as a second language overseas, working for a non-governmental organization, and international recruiting. Moderating the discussion will be Francesca Pase (MSEd student, educational psychology), who taught English language for two years at Universitas Gadja Mada in Jogjakarta. There also will be a resource table of takeaway materials and a representative from NIU Career Services to answer queries.

- The Phi Beta Kappa International Week Lecture: “Preparing Global Leaders: Honors International Education and the World as Text” by J. D. Bowers, Associate Vice Provost for University Honors at 9 a.m. Nov. 13 in the Sky Room at the Holmes Student Center. This will open with a presentation on the Honors program’s approach to global education, including its Five Continents study abroad program and the Global Leadership and Philanthropy Camp, and a question-answer session following.

- A facilitated screening of The Dialogue, a documentary exploring meaningful intercultural dialogue and cultural identity, at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 14, in 148 DuSable. The film is being screened nationwide at various locations for International Education Week.
Also scheduled during the week are an international education recognition reception, an induction ceremony for the Phi Beta Delta international honor society, a Minorities and Study Abroad workshop, and Fulbright workshops for students and faculty. The week will conclude Friday, Nov. 15, with the Global Village Potluck and Dance, which is set for 6 to 10 p.m. in the Barsema Hall Atrium and sponsored by the Division of International Programs, the ELS Language Centers, the College of Business, the Foreign Language Residence Program, and the Foreign Languages and Literatures Department. See the International Programs website for a complete IEW calendar. NEW

2. Focus on Indonesia Tuesday at Asian American Center
Indonesia will be the order of the day at the Asian American Center on Tuesday, Nov. 12. “Celebrating Indonesia’s Bhinneka Tunggal Ika: Unity in Diversity,” a display of artifacts from ethnic groups across Indonesia, will be on display from noon to 3 p.m. at the center located at 429 Garden Road. Anthropology graduate student and FLAS fellow Anthonie Tumpag will give a talk about the exhibit at 12:30 p.m. Indonesian instructor Rahmi Hartati will be conducting a book drive for rural libraries in Indonesia through the Chicago-based organization, Books for Indonesia. Visitors are invited to bring a fiction or nonfiction book for readers young or old. An Indonesian box lunch (yellow rice with fried chicken, spicy tempeh and steamed vegetables with grated coconut) can be ordered in advance; $5 for students and $7 for others. To order, email Susie Hill at shill1@niu.edu. NEW

3. Center associates update: Media mentions, Facebook groups, and a special video
* Michael Buehler (political science) was interviewed by BBC Radio for a piece on Indonesia’s impending new public health insurance system, expected to be the world’s largest such program. Buehler also got a mention in the Oct. 28 Handelsblatt, Germany’s business newspaper. 
* Tharaphi Than (foreign languages and literatures) was interviewed, along with the Center’s Nov. 15 guest lecturer Chie Ikeya, in a Sept. 5 article in Human Rights Watch’s Myanmar Freedom Daily about a proposed measure by Nationalist Buddhist monk U Wirathu to require non-Buddhist men to convert to Buddhism before marrying a Buddhist woman.
* Andrea Molnar (anthropology) invites Facebook users to two area studies groups she administers on the social media site, the Indonesian and East Timor studies Group—NIU and the Thai Studies Group.
* A day in the life of John Hartmann (foreign languages and literatures) is the subject of a video by Hartmann’s 2008 Thai Foreign Language Teaching Assistant Payungsak Kaenchan, who’s now studying at the Boston University School of Education. He traveled to DeKalb to make the video for an instructional technology class, Hartmann said. The day in question? Sept. 18, the day of NIU’s royal Thai visit. “It was a day to remember,” Hartmann says. “And Princess Sirindhorn made it special.” NEW

John Hartmann, right, converses with Thailand’s Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn, left, at a reception for the princess on Sept. 18.
4. Sign up for spring courses
The spring Southeast Asian Studies course list has been posted on the Center website. Under Anthropology, Judy Ledgerwood will teach ANTH 302/790, Asian American Cultures, and Andrea Molnar will teach ANTH 421/521, Social Organization, and ANTH 426/526, Political Anthropology. In History, Eric Jones will teach HIST 343/HIST 736J, History of Southeast Asia Since Ca. 1800, and HIST 447, History of Burma. In Political Science, Michael Buehler will teach Origins of Political Order. Tharaphi Than will teach FLST 482, Censorship and Literature: State and Society in Authoritarian Countries; Catherine Raymond will teach ARTH 457/657, Topics in Art History: Asian Art: Fashion, Gender, and Ethnicity in Southeast Asian Art; and Ngurah Kertayuda will teach gamelan in MUSE 370/670. Kelly Champion is offering FCNS 384, Asian American Families, and CSEAS graduate assistant Daniel Pojar will teach the Center’s Southeast Asia survey course, ILAS 225. For class dates and times, see the full spring schedule on the Center website.

5. Gearing up for a summer study abroad in Southeast Asia
Examine NGOs in Cambodia, Thailand and Vietnam. Explore cultural diversity in Thailand. Experience Balinese music, dance and culture in Indonesia. Learn Lao language and culture in Laos. Conduct clinical research on hearing loss in Cambodia or environmental research on public health in Indonesia. There are more choices than ever to study abroad in Southeast Asia next summer. NIU faculty will lead five of six study abroad programs to SEA offered through NIU’s Study Abroad Office.

- **Trude Jacobsen** (History) will take a group **May 28–June 13** to Cambodia, Thailand and Vietnam to study the growth of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in those countries. A new program, the course will look at how “development policy is imagined, produced, and received (or resisted) across multiple cultural contexts,” Jacobsen says.
- **Jui-Ching Wang** (School of Music) will introduce Balinese music, dance, theatre, architecture and crafts **July 1–30** in her new program to Bali, Indonesia. “Students will experience these arts by interacting with the local people and gaining knowledge about the inseparable relationship of the arts, religion, and culture on Bali,” Wang says.
- **Andrea Molnar** (Anthropology) will reprise her 2012 program, “Cultural Diversity in Thailand,” **May 16–June 14** in Thailand. Molnar’s program will introduce students to Thai culture and diversity, and examine the relationship between the dominant majority and minorities of the country.
- **Tomoyuki Shibata** (College of Health & Human Sciences) returns to Indonesia **June 1–21** to continue research activities on environmental factors and public health. Past program projects have examined the effect of indoor air quality or mothers’ behaviors on children’s health.
- **King Chung** (School of Allied Health & Communicative Disorders) is conducting a group **June 1–14** to Cambodia for “Heart of Hearing Program in Cambodia,” a program to help students develop their clinical skills by working with hearing-impaired individuals and helping facilitate local programs. Geared to audiology students.
- **Study Abroad in Laos** (SAIL), a program offered through the Center for Lao Studies in San Francisco and with credit from NIU, will run **June 27–July 31**. Based in Vientiane, Laos, the program offers students language and cultural lessons as well as exposure to Lao history and culture.
6. Summer, academic-year FLAS applications up on the website
With fall semester winding down, students planning to apply for a summer 2014 and 2014–15 academic year Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowship should start getting their paperwork in order. Information and forms to apply are posted on the [funding page](#) at the CSEAS website and should be submitted to the Center by Jan. 1. FLAS fellowships are funded by the U.S. Department of Education’s Title VI Program of Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowships. The summer FLAS fellowships provide for the study of Southeast Asian languages at any U.S. Department of Education-approved educational institution, especially those in Southeast Asia but also including the [Southeast Asian Studies Summer Institute](#) at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, during the summer. Priority will be given to students planning to study in a Southeast Asian country. A [list](#) of currently approved programs is posted on the CSEAS website; you can also contact the Center for details on other possible study locations in Southeast Asia. Summer FLAS awards are expected to provide a stipend of $2,500. In addition, a FLAS fellow’s tuition at a Southeast Asia language program is covered up to $4,000. Academic-year FLAS fellowships provide a stipend and tuition-fee waiver; see the CSEAS website as directed above.

7. Save the dates: Egg roll and SEA trivia night; spring student conference
- **Nov. 20**: Southeast Asia Club hosts a [make-your-own-egg-roll](#) and Southeast Asia trivia night from five to 7 p.m. in 176 DuSable.
- **April 5**: Spring student conference organized by the Southeast Asia Club. Details to come.

8. Burnish your resumé: Sign up for SEA Studies minor or grad concentration
Adding a minor to an undergraduate degree or a graduate concentration to an advanced degree can pull a resumé up to the top of the pile. To learn about NIU’s Southeast Asian Studies programs, visit the [CSEAS website](#) or stop by Pottenger House, 520 College View Court. Undergraduates may make an appointment with Outreach Coordinator Julie Lamb at jlamb@niu.edu; graduate students should contact Assistant Director Eric Jones at eajones@niu.edu.

9. Call for papers: International Burma Studies Conference 2014
The 2014 International Burma Studies Conference will be **Aug. 1–3** in Singapore co-sponsored by the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS) and the National University of Singapore’s Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences. The conference theme is “Envisioning Myanmar: Issues, Images, Identities.” Conference organizers are accepting proposals for papers or panels; deadline for submission is **Dec. 31**. Email to bsc2014@iseas.edu.sg. For details, see the [conference website](#).

10. Applications open for Indonesian language and culture program
The American Councils for International Education is accepting applications to its [Indonesian Overseas Program](#) for fall semester 2014 and the 2014–15 academic year. The program offers intensive training in Indonesian language and culture at the University of Malang located in...
Malang, the second largest city in Java. Participants receive academic credit (approximately 15/semester) through Bryn Mawr College. The deadline for both the Aug. 25–Dec. 19, 2014 and the Aug. 25, 2014–mid-May 2015 programs is March 15. NIU students are encouraged to inquire at the NIU Study Abroad Office for financial aid, scholarship opportunities and academic-credit acceptance eligibility. These and other services (including health insurance) are provided by Study Abroad for an extra fee, starting at $750 for the semester program. The cost is $12,000 for the semester program and $22,500 for the academic-year program.

11. Ohio to host 6th Khmer Studies Forum in March

“Cambodia at a Crossroads” will be the theme for the 6th annual Khmer (Cambodian) Studies Forum March 14–16 at Ohio University. The conference will focus on the impact of rapid change on all levels of Cambodian society today, including rapid urbanization, land-use policies, environmental destruction among others. Scholars, filmmakers, artists, and community members are invited to submit abstracts for papers or proposals for panels and roundtable discussions by Nov. 15 to cseas@ohio.edu. Homestays are available for a limited number of participants. For more information, see conference website.

12. Theravada Civilizations Project to host dissertation workshop at Penn March 25

The Theravada Civilizations Project, an interdisciplinary and international group of scholars studying all aspects of Theravada Buddhism, is holding an intensive dissertation workshop March 25 at the University of Pennsylvania preceding the March 27–30 Association for Asian Studies conference in Philadelphia. This workshop is intended to bring together doctoral students and/or post-doctoral academics in the humanities and social sciences developing dissertation proposals or are in early phases of research, dissertation writing, or revising dissertations for publications; and who are engaging some aspects of Theravada classical and/or vernacular literature and/or researching aspects of Theravada history and cultural practice among South or Southeast Asian communities. The workshop will be limited to six doctoral students and/or post-doctoral academics. Deadline for dissertation research proposals for consideration: Jan. 1. For information about the workshop or eligibility, contact Professor Steven Collins at s-collins@uchicago.edu.

13. Job/internships opportunities

Institute for Global Environmental Strategies

- Regional Conference and Communications Coordinator: One-year contract position organizing annual climate change forum and creating materials, reports and related materials. Based at IGES regional office in Patumwan, Bangkok. See job posting. NEW

University of Sydney

- Deputy Director: PhD required for this position assisting the director of this interdisciplinary Southeast Asia Centre. Apply by Nov. 17. Preferred start date: first half of 2014. See job posting on this website; reference 2230/1013 for details and to apply.

El Colegio de Mexico

- Assistant Professor: Tenure-track position in Southeast Asian social science; fluency in one Southeast Asian language and Spanish required (Indonesian or Malay encouraged).
Apply by Jan. 14. Contact Dr. Hilda Varela Barraza, Centro de Estudios de Asia y Africa, El Colegio de Mexico, Camino al Ajusco 20, Mexico D.F. 10740, Mexico.

**Eurasia Group**

- **Political risk analyst (Southeast Asia):** In-country experience (priority Thailand-Philippines) desired for position based in New York or Washington, D.C. See job posting.
- **Political risk training program:** For recent undergraduates, research position provides one-year of full-time employment with possibility of extending contract two years. BA in political science, regional studies or economics required in addition to deep knowledge and language fluency of related country or sub-region. See jobs page. NEW

**University of Ohio**

- **Assistant Professor of Southeast Asian History:** Tenure-track position. Apply by Dec. 1. For details, see job posting.

**Asia Society**

- **Career opportunities:** Internships and jobs posted regularly on website.

**World Health Organization**

- Global public health nonprofit based in Geneva, Switzerland, encourages online applications for potential employment. See WHO website.

**Idealist.org**

- Privately funded website offers searchable database of nonprofit international jobs and volunteer opportunities. Current opening: Chief technical adviser, European Union Global Climate Change Alliance based in Vientiane, Laos. For details, see the Idealist website.

**14. Money for study**

**American Institute for Indonesian Studies**

- **Research grants for graduate students, postdocs:** AIFIS is actively encouraging applicants for their $5,750 Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) grants available for research in contemporary and traditional Indonesian studies. Deadline to apply: Dec. 15. Forms at AIFIS website. NEW

**Blakemore Foundation**

- **Advanced language study:** Grants for study of Burmese, Indonesian, Khmer, Thai and Vietnamese by scholars and mid-career professionals. Applications for the 2014 Blakemore Freeman fellowships and Blakemore refresher grants are now being accepted. Awards cover cover tuition and stipend, educational expenses, living costs and transportation. For details, see the Blakemore Foundation website. Deadline to apply: Dec. 30.

**Boren Awards**

- **Foreign language study grants:** Applications open for 2014–15 Boren scholarships (for undergraduates) and fellowships (for graduate students) are on the Boren website. Undergraduate awards up to $20,000 for an academic year’s study abroad; $30,000 awards for graduate students. For application help, see Anne Seitzinger at Study Abroad, 417 Williston Hall (email aseitz@niu.edu). Graduate fellowship applications due Jan. 28; undergraduate scholarship applications due Feb. 5.
Fellowships: Applications open for PhD students and senior scholars to conduct research in Cambodia. PhD fellowships are for a maximum of 11 months; senior scholar fellowships are for 4 to 6 months. Open to U.S. citizens only. See CKS website.

Chulalongkorn University Institute of Thai Studies

Thai studies scholarships: Empowering Network for International Thai Studies (ENITS) scholarships for master’s graduates or doctoral students in Thai studies. Both scholarships require submission of original unpublished research by April 30. **Deadline to apply:** Dec. 25. See ENITS website.

Council of American Overseas Research Centers

Research fellowship: Multi-Country Research Fellowship Program offers support in humanities, social sciences or allied natural sciences for doctoral candidates and post-doc scholars. Research must be carried out in two more countries outside of U.S. Funding provided by U.S. State Department Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. **Deadline to apply:** Jan. 13. See CAORC website.

15. Conferences, calls for papers and workshops

- Framing ‘Asian Studies’: Geopolitics, Institutions and Networks, Nov. 18–19, Leiden, the Netherlands. See conference website.
- Oxford Women’s Leadership Symposium, Dec. 5–6, Oxford University, UK. Call for papers. Cultural, religious, social, and economic conditions topics. See symposium website.
- Grinnell College Peace Studies Conference, Feb. 28–March 1, Grinnell, Iowa. Call for papers. **Deadline for abstracts:** Dec. 20. Registration free. See conference website.
- Thailand in the World: 12th International Conference on Thai Studies, April 22–24, 2014, University of Sydney, Australia. See conference website.

16. Area Southeast Asia cultural opportunities

- “Siam: The Queen and the White City” is on display in the Costume and Textile gallery at the Chicago History Museum. The exhibition features textiles, photographs and other items from Thailand that were collected by Queen Savang Vadana for display in the exposition’s Women’s Building. Through **March 2**. For details, see the museum website.
- Learn about the history of Laotian immigration to Elgin, which began in the 1970s at the Vietnam War, in long-running exhibit at the Elgin Area Historical Society and Museum, 360 Park St., Elgin.
- “Remembering the Killing Fields” exhibit is on display at the Cambodian American Heritage Museum and Killing Fields Memorial, 2831 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago. The **Cambodian Association of Illinois** also holds free Cambodian music and dance lessons.
The Indonesian Consulate in Chicago offers free Balinese and Javanese dance and gamelan classes on weekends. Javanese gamelan and dance is offered from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturdays; gamelan music and Indonesian dance is offered 3 to 6 p.m. Sundays. For details, see consulate website.

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