



INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

What a year!?

Seems like all the superlatives have already been used about the academic year that is now happily in the 'rear view'. Surreal, extraordinary, unprecedented, bizarre all seem apt (though stressful, uncertain, and anxious also come to mind). Who could have guessed that, within a few short months, we would look back almost wistfully to the days of an old-fashioned power outage. Yet here we are looking back on a year no one could have imagined and able to tell many amazing stories. As the pictures to the right illustrate, we had the first ever INTL Arcata Alumni gathering (seemed only logical after those alumni meetings around the country on sabbatical). The first ever all alumni Career Panel (saying goodbye to Emily Kirsch who had worked for HSU but now has a position promoting Eureka while welcoming Doug Smith as the new Director of the African American Center for Academic Excellence). An amazing line up of guests/distinguished locals and campus experts for the 20th anniversary of International Education Week. Finally, important research on how we promote study abroad for Ideafest. Quite a year indeed.

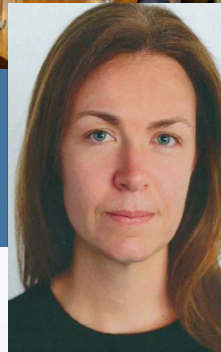
★ Coronavirus in California



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- Global Ambassador Award 2019-20

International Studies Alumni Career Panel



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Highlights of International Education Week

Professors Beth Wilson (ECON) and Matthew Derrick (GEOG) took on the organization of another successful International Education Week (IEW), that drew more than 300 attendees from the campus and community and 31 students enrolled in the IEW colloquium course.

The keynote speaker was particularly interesting. Seth Holmes, a medical anthropologist from UC Berkeley, was joined by a farmworker family for a discussion on the conditions for immigrants at a farm in WA. Seth lived and worked with this family (and others) doing research for his book, "Fresh Fruit, Broken Bodies." Listening to the experiences of this family was eye-opening. One student commented, "I was somewhat aware that the conditions for migrant farmworkers was bad...however, it is completely different to hear directly from

the people who are doing this work; it certainly makes it a lot more real."

Overall, there were 35 presentations and events, including lectures by HSU faculty, sessions on study abroad, the Peace Corps, and the Foreign Service, and students shared their international experiences and research. We also welcomed Ranijit Deshmukh (UC Santa

Global Ambassadors named - CONGRATS!

The International Studies Program is proud to offer this scholarship designed to help students from any major study abroad. Preference is given to those with financial need and those required to go abroad for their major - but grants are open to all.

We know many students struggle to pay for this transformational experience and currently the fund is only supported through the fundraising efforts of program faculty. If you are interested in helping students realize this dream, please check out the website/giving page and give to the [Global Ambassadors Trust](#) so we can continue to support our students in this way. Our latest awardees are listed below.

Semester awardees

Sequoia Church-Bergstrom
Psychology (India)



Mikayla Kia
International Studies/
Environmental
Science (Costa Rica)



Summer awardees

Joelle Jimenez - Spanish/
Elementary Education
(Mexico)



Andrea Santamaria
Spanish (Mexico)



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