



International Education Week 2021

November 15-19

A Week of Celebrating International Education, World Cultures, and Dialogue

International Education Week (IEW) is an opportunity to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. It is a joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education and part of the country's efforts to promote programs that prepare Americans for a global environment and attract future leaders to study abroad and welcome those from abroad to study in the U.S.

Led by the Office of International Student Services, now in its eighth year. We are fortunate to have faculty and department programs offering events that bring awareness to global issues, provide education on various cultures and traditions. Students and staff will have the opportunity to engage in these global conversations thus helping to internationalize our campus community.

To join the events, Zoom ID: 215 765 1744 | Passcode: 2133

Monday, November 15 | 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (Flex Credit)

Opening address

- David Tilahun, International Admissions Specialist, Moderator
- Norma C. Rodriguez, Director, Office of International Student Services, Overview of IEW and introductions

Welcome Address – Dr. Jose Fierro, President and Superintendent of Cerritos College

Keynote Speaker – Dr. Madjid Niroumand, Vice President of Student Services, Orange Coast College

Title: "Hope, Search, Resilience, Access, and Coming Full Circle; International Education's Contribution to My Journey and Beyond!"

Summary: In this presentation, Dr. Niroumand will share his story of leaving his country as a teenager, the life-changing experiences, and the role of international education that were instrumental in shaping his life and career.

Monday, November 15 | 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Flex Credit)

"The Danger of a Single Story: Different Perspectives from Our Countries of Origin," student panel

In this panel presentation, five students from Credit ESL will share their stories and experiences to bring a more complete understanding of who our students are and where they come from. Inspired by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie's 2019 TedTalk "The Danger of a Single Story."

Lee Anne McIlroy - Moderator
Faculty, Credit ESL, Student Learning Outcomes Coordinator
2021 Jain Endowed Scholar

Tuesday, November 16 | 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. (Flex Credit)

Blood on the Border: Race, Power, and Violence in Texas

Dr. John Haas - Associate Professor of History

This presentation will be a talk with an illustration of a video from the Texas-Mexican border. The El Paso Massacre, the deadliest Latinx massacre in U.S. history, was also the deadliest white supremacist attack in the United States in more than 50 years. Dr. Haas traces the origins of this racism and violence and the attempt by Republican politicians in Texas to whitewash this dark History.

Tuesday, November 16 | 2 p.m. – 3 p.m. (Flex Credit)

Developing Global Competencies

Lisa Boutin-Vitela, Ph.D. - Assoc. Prof., Art & Design Dept

Dr. Boutin-Vitela will discuss tools for helping students develop global competencies and share her experiences as a 2021-22 EPIC fellow in the Global Studies Program at Stanford University.

Wednesday, November 17 | 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. (Flex Credit)

Jain Philosophy

Lee Anne McIlroy - Faculty, Credit ESL, Student Learning Outcomes Coordinator, 2021 Jain Endowed Scholar

Lee Anne will share her experiences studying at the International School of Jain Studies and how she hopes to apply Jain philosophy to her work at Cerritos College.

Thursday, November 18 | 10 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Major in Chicano Studies: Enrich your education and career with a global Latinx cultural perspective

Henrietta Hurtado, Counselor EOPS

In this presentation attendees will learn the value of majoring in Chicano Studies and how the Chicano/Latinx ethnic identity intersects with the human race and all world cultures.

Thursday, November 18 | 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Finding Funds for Study Abroad to Florence

Johnny Wallace, Former ASCC Student Trustee,

In this presentation, former ASCC Student Trustee, Johnny Wallace will outline all pathways available to support students that are searching for revenue streams to prepare for a chance to study abroad. Readiness is just as important as having an offer to participate in such an esteemed opportunity.

Friday, November 19, 2021 | 11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Dance Journey to West Africa and the Caribbean

Christine Gregory - Assistant Professor, Co-Chair & Repertory Director - Dance Department, Kinesiology Division

In collaboration with Monik Jones and Steve Rosa, – Dance Department faculty
Video performance showcasing students in DANC 123 African Dance and DANC 121 Latin Social Dance courses presenting various African and Latin Social Dances

Friday, November 19 | 2 p.m. – 3 p.m.

Chinese Culture & Traditions II

Yiran Zhou - Moderator

Instructor of Chinese Language and Culture
Panel discussion

A panel of 3 selected students from Chinese Program share their cross-cultural knowledge and understanding of Chinese culture and traditions

For more information contact David Tilahun at oiss@cerritos.edu or call ext. 2232



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