



# **ANNUAL REPORT**

**2015-2016**

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***June 30, 2016***

***Letter from the Director***

The Global Affairs Center (GAC) continued to be a hub for critical thinking and engagement about global issues, for students at Shoreline Community College, as well as for citizens of the broader Shoreline and nearby communities. We are proud of the Center's many contributions this past year.

Eleven evening programs that drew an average audience of 33 people addressed a range of issues, including human rights; the national identities and interests of Cuba, Guatemala, Canada, and Mexico; political changes occurring in Myanmar (Burma); China's "Left Behind" Children; the portrayal of civil rights in movies around the world; the collaboration between two Seattle-based organizations, one non-profit and the other a for-profit company, to provide clean water in developing countries; and, the role that biofuels plays in combatting climate change.

Thirteen daytime programs, which drew on average 35 students, highlighted recent faculty and student travel to Bolivia, Cambodia, Cuba, and South Africa; the role of women in social protest; immigration and refugee policy; online news media; the relationship between food and wellness around the world; the latest global medical pandemic – the Zika virus; ocean acidification; the work of Goodwill Industries with immigrant and refugee communities; and how Collegiate DECA at Shoreline grooms students for the world.

During spring quarter we also hosted for the fifth consecutive year the Great Discussions series, eight weekly discussions of current foreign policy issues involving students and members of the community in round table discussions. Students were able to earn credit for participating. This year's topics included the Rise of ISIS, Middle East Regional Alliances, Climate Change, the future of Kurdistan, International Migration, North and South Korea, the United Nations, and Cuba-U.S. Relations. Twenty-nine individuals signed up for the series, plus several others came to single events. This has been one of our most popular series. Several participants have said that they especially enjoyed the mix of current students, alumni students (there were four this year), and community members.

A brief questionnaire was sent to those on the GAC mailing list (approximately 600 individuals) in late May soliciting feedback regarding the focus, format and venue of future events. Similar questions were included in a larger survey conducted in the spring of 2015 and reported in the 2015 GAC Annual Report.

We received 35 responses to this year's survey which was available for only two weeks. What those responses told us is that there continues to be considerable variation in the preferred focus (countries vs. issues) and format (speaker, panel, interview) of our events. We will try our best to plan accordingly.

We are sincerely indebted to the many guests who participated in this year's programs as speakers, panels, and moderators. It is a real testimony to the generosity of community members that so many are willing to share their knowledge and experiences for little or no financial compensation. None of the accomplishments detailed in the following pages would have been possible without them.

This year saw a marked improvement in both the quality of GAC programs, and their production and videotaping for later viewing. Much of the credit for these advances goes to video technicians in the eLearning Office and to the sound technicians in the Student Leadership Center, who produced superior quality products. Links to all recorded events can be found online at the GAC website ([www.shoreline.edu/gac](http://www.shoreline.edu/gac)) and at the GAC YouTube site.

My greatest gratitude goes to my program assistant and two work-study students. They played a critical role in coordinating the many logistical requirements before, during, and after every event. More than once I was able to overcome technology challenges only with their able assistance.

I am currently working with staff at the University of Washington, as well as at several other public affairs organizations in the Seattle region, to advance collaboration between the GAC and these organizations, to ensure quality programs at Shoreline in the future.

***Looking forward to bringing more quality GAC programs to Shoreline!***

*Larry Fuell*

Director  
Global Affairs Center  
Shoreline Community College

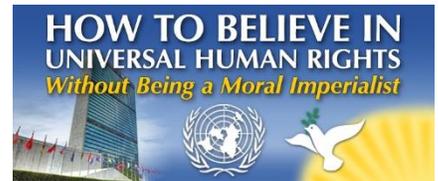
## EVENING EVENTS 2015-2016

### How to Believe in Universal Human Rights without Being a Moral Imperialist

Dr. Bill Talbott, Philosophy Department, University of Washington

Thursday, October 22, 2015, 7:00-8:30 pm, 9208 PUB

Is the belief in universal human rights just another instance of Western moral imperialism? One way to ground a belief in the universality of human rights is to think that they are self-evident. Another way to ground a belief in the universality of human rights is to think that they are agreed on by all major religious and cultural traditions; but no human right is agreed on by all major religious and moral traditions.



### Cuba and the United States Today

Marc McLeod, Associate Professor of History and Director of Latin American Studies, Seattle University

Thursday, October 29, 2015, 7:00-8:30 pm, 9208 PUB

On December 17, 2014, an agreement between the United States and Cuba, popularly called "The Cuban Thaw", began the process of restoring international relations between Cuba and the United States.



### Guatemala and the U.S. – Past and Future

John Hamilton, U.S. Ambassador (retired)

Ambassador to Guatemala (2003-2005)

Thursday, November 5, 2015, 7:00-8:30 pm, 9208 PUB

Guatemala has a complex national identity: more than 40% of the population is indigenous Maya, 73% of whom live in poverty, many in extreme poverty. It also has a complicated relationship with other countries, especially the United States, often characterized as "close but strained."



### The Canada – US Relationship

James Hill, Consul General

Consulate General of Canada, Seattle

Thursday, November 12, 2015, 7:00-8:30 pm, 9208 PUB

The United States and Canada share two borders and their bilateral relationship is one of the closest and most extensive in the world. But do they see eye to eye on every international issue? While the two nations do share many basic values and cooperate in many spheres, Canada does have interests and perspectives that at times are at odds with those of the United States.



### Civil Rights in the Movies

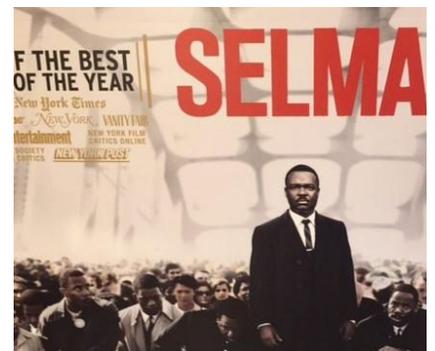
Chris Fisher, Drama/Cinema Department, Shoreline Community College

Duygu Erdogan Monson, Drama/Cinema Department, Shoreline Community College

William Lindenmuth, Philosophy Department, Shoreline Community College (Moderator)

Thursday, January 21, 2016, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, Black Box Theater

How are civil rights portrayed in films around the world? Does "civil rights" mean the same thing in Asia, the Middle East and Europe, as it does in the United States? How have movies been a platform in other countries and regions for raising awareness of and advocating civil rights?



## Political and Economic Changes in Myanmar (Burma)

**Larry S. Dohrs**, Visiting Scholar in Southeast Asian Studies, Texas Christian University, Chairman, US Campaign for Burma

**Wednesday, February 3, 2016, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

Myanmar (Burma) is undergoing significant political and economic reforms. On November 8, 2015, The National League for Democracy, led by Daw Aung San Suu Kyi (who was under house arrest from 1989 to 2010), won a stunning nationwide election, defeating a military establishment that has ruled Myanmar since 1962. Yet the military will continue to hold many levers of power, suggesting that a complex dance between entrenched interests and the will of the people is the new reality.



## China's Urbanization and the "Left-behind" Children

**Kam Wing Chan**, Geography Department, University of Washington

**Thursday, February 18, 2016, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

In China, some 60 million children are growing up in the countryside with only one or no parent around during most of the year. They are called "left-behind children." They are left behind because their parents have gone to work in the city, often hundreds of miles away from home. Lacking day-to-day parental care and close guidance, the "left-behind" children face many problems and many of them get into trouble.



## Mexico's Development and Priorities

**Eduardo Baca Cuenca**, Consul General  
Consulate General of Mexico, Seattle

**Thursday, March 3, 2016, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

Mexico shares a 2,000-mile border with the U.S. and bilateral relations between the two have a direct impact on the lives and livelihoods of millions of people in both countries. However, Mexico and the U.S. also have distinct views depending on events, especially when it comes to relations with other countries in Latin America and developing countries in general.



## PATH-MSR Collaboration

**Jesse Schubert**, Technical Officer, PATH  
**Patrick Diller**, Marketing Manager, MSR  
**Patty Russell**, Managing Director, FSG

**Tuesday, April 5, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

Non-profit organizations and private businesses frequently collaborate in ways that improve peoples' lives in developing countries. The discussion focused on the collaboration taking place between Seattle-based PATH, a non-profit global health organization and MSR (Mountain Safety Research), a pioneering outdoor equipment company, to bring low-cost community water solutions to the global market.



## Biofuels and Climate Change

**Evan Henrich**, Matrix Genetics

**Brian Young**, Director of Economic Development for the Clean Technology Sector

**Chip Dodd**, Geography and International Studies, Shoreline Community College  
(moderator)

**Thursday, April 21, 2016, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

"Can biofuels, fuels derived from recently alive plant materials (or manure), serve as the fuel of choice to power our [cars] and trucks and power plants without adding to our climate change woes? In principle the answer should be yes. But being a winner in principle and being a winner in practice are two different things." (Bill Chameides)



## Evening Events, 2015-2016

### Assessment Data

Date	Topic	# Attend	# Surveys Collected	Enjoyed program 1/	Increased understand 2/	Increased Curiosity 3/	Prior Knowledge 4/	Would Recommend 5/
22-Oct	How to Believe in Universal Human Rights without Being a Moral Imperialist	30	13	13	3.1	3.1	2.5	12
29-Oct	Cuba and the United States Today	28	15	15	3.5	3.2	1.7	15
5-Nov	Guatemala and the U.S. – Past and Future	27	11	11	3.5	3.4	1.4	11
12-Nov	The Canada U.S. Relationship	30	15	15	2.8	2.7	1.8	14
21-Jan	Civil Rights in the Movies	23	12	12	3	4	2	12
3-Feb	Political and Economic Changes in Myanmar (Burma)	41	16	16	3.4	3.4	1.8	16
18-Feb	China's Urbanization and the "Left Behind" Children	35	13	13	3.7	3.7	1.7	13
3-Mar	Mexico's Development and Priorities	NA						
5-Apr	PATH-MSR Collaboration	33	17	16	2.8	2.6	2	15
21-Apr	Biofuels and Climate Change	51	22	22	2.7	3	1.5	22
	Average	33	15	15	3.2	3.2	1.8	14

Notes:

1. # who said that they enjoyed the program
2. Average level of increased understanding of issue (0-4 scale)
3. Average level of increased curiosity to learn more about this issue (0-4 scale)
4. Average level of prior knowledge of the issue (0-4 scale)
5. # who would recommend this program to others

## GLOBAL EYES EVENTS 2015-2016

*Daytime events that showcase the international work and experience of Shoreline faculty, students, staff, and community members. Also, campus discussions of breaking news.*

### Cuba – A Country in Flux

**Tim Payne**, Economics, Shoreline Community College

**Tod O’Driscoll**, free-lance photographer

**Thursday, October 14, 2016, 11:30-12:20 pm, 9208 PUB**

What is daily life like for most Cubans? How do they make a living? What are their current political and economic realities of life? What about religious freedom? Cuba is a land of contrasts and contradictions, and no matter how many times you have visited, it is a country that is hard to totally wrap your head around and gain a full understanding of its people, culture and traditions. The guest speakers have both traveled to Cuba multiple times in recent years, and will share their observations and images of this small but complex country.



### The Challenge and Promise of a Multicultural South Africa

#### A Report on the Summer 2015 Study Abroad Experience

**Dr. Ernest Johnson**, Equity and Social Justice, Shoreline Community College

**Wednesday, October 28, 2015, 12:30-1:30pm, 9208 PUB**

This past summer, a group of students, led by Professor Ernest Johnson, experienced a 4-week summer program in Cape Town where they examined the social and cultural history of South Africa, and explored current efforts to create a democratic, multicultural nation. Students participated in social and historical lectures and tours in Cape Town and the surrounding area.



### Women and Social Protest

**Rachel David**, Gender & Women’s Studies, Shoreline Community College

**Wednesday, November 4, 2015, 11:30-12:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

- What role do women play in politics?
- What prompts women to organize on behalf of unpopular causes?
- How are women themselves changed by personal experiences of political activism?

Using both historical and contemporary examples from the U.S. and other countries, Professor David discussed answers to these and other questions.



### Cambodia: A Country of Contradictions

**Diana Knauf**, Psychology, Shoreline Community College

**Wednesday, November 18, 2015, 12:30-1:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

For most, Cambodia evokes one of two striking images; the majesty of the ancient Angkor Wat or the Killing Fields of the Khmer Rouge era (1975-1979). Diana, who has traveled twice to Cambodia (most recently this summer), expanded our view of this beautiful, sometimes historically troubled and now quickly developing country - there is far more about Cambodia worth knowing.



## Dental Hygiene and Nursing Service-Learning Program in Bolivia, 2015

**Katie Fleming**, Dental Hygiene Program, Shoreline Community College

**Lisa Libassi**, Nursing Program, Shoreline Community College

**Anastasia Bothell**, SCC Dental Hygiene student

**Jarek Hughes**, SCC Nursing student

**Wednesday, November 24, 2015, 10:30-11:30am, 9208 PUB**

Working with the Smiles Forever Foundation, a non-profit organization based in Seattle, a group of Nursing and Dental Hygiene students from SCC had the chance of a lifetime to see firsthand how simple healthcare practices can make a difference in impoverished communities.



## Immigration & Refugees: We've Seen this Newsreel Before

**Dr. Amy J. Kinsel**, Dean of Social Sciences, Equity and Social Justice, Library, and Parent and Child Center, Shoreline Community College

**Thursday, January 14, 2016, 11:30 am -12:30pm, 9208 PUB**

Anti-immigrant rhetoric has filled the airwaves during the early months of the 2016 presidential race, especially since Syrian refugees began pouring into Europe and terrorist attacks shook Paris, Beirut, and other places. But this rhetoric is not new. Dean Amy J. Kinsel shared her thoughts on the reasons the U.S. has shut the door to immigrants and refugees in the past and offered comparisons to present immigration and refugee policies.



## Online News Media

**Dan DeMay**, Reporter, [seattlepi.com](http://seattlepi.com). Shoreline alumni

**Jimmy Lovaas**, Editor, [BreakingNews.com](http://BreakingNews.com). Shoreline alumni

**Jim Hills**, Director, Public Information Office, Shoreline Community College (moderator)

**Tuesday, January 26, 2016, 11:30 am -12:30pm, 9208 PUB**

Traditional news media are undergoing fundamental change. Newspapers, magazines, TV and radio, are being supplanted by computers, tablets, and cell phones. News consumers are not passive customers but interactive participants who shape news through chat rooms, comment sections, online posts, and the like. Dan DeMay and Jimmy Lovass, both graduates of Shoreline Community College, and both now working for major online news services, discussed these trends as experienced first-hand.



## Personal Transformation and Travel to South Africa

**A Sequel Report on the summer 2015 Study Abroad Experience**

**Dr. Ernest Johnson**, Equity and Social Justice, Shoreline Community College, and a couple of students who traveled with him

**Thursday, February 11, 2016, 11:30-12:30pm, 9208 PUB**

This past summer, a group of students, led by Professor Johnson, experienced a study abroad program in Cape Town, South Africa. Fall quarter, they reported on what they saw. Now they will report on what they felt and what they heard from the people they met.



## Food and Wellness around the World

*Food MOOC, summer 2015*

**Alison Leahy**, MS RD Nutrition Faculty, Shoreline Community College

**Amy Rovner**, MPH RD Nutrition Associate Faculty, Shoreline Community College

**Thursday, February 25, 2016, 12:30 pm -1:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

In 2015, Alison and Amy conducted a MOOC (Massive Open Online Class) that celebrated food and its relationship to wellness, focusing on a global approach. Over 1300 participants from around the world discussed culinary and dietary practices, and the interconnections between food and health. They discussed the class, what they learned, and plans to host the class again in 2016.



## Zika Virus: Science and Pregnancy

**Hermien Watkins**, Professor Emeritus (Nursing)

**Judy Penn**, Professor (Microbiology)

**Wednesday, March 9, 2016, 11:30 am -12:30 pm, 2308**

The World Health Organization declared a "public health emergency of international concern" on February 1 over the Zika virus and the health problems that doctors fear it is causing. Zika virus is spread to people through mosquito bites. Of particular concern are reports of pregnant women giving birth to babies with birth defects and poor pregnancy outcomes as a result of contracting the virus. Faculty discussed the science and clinical issues of coping with this latest medical challenge.



## Dying Oceans (Acidification)

**Meg Chadsey**, Ocean Acidification (OA) Specialist, Washington Sea Grant, NOAA (at UW College of the Environment)

**Paul Williams**, Shellfish management policy advisor, Suquamish Tribe

**Dina Kovarik**, Faculty and Chair of the Biotechnology Lab Specialist Program, Shoreline Community College (moderator)

**April 19, 2016, 11:30 am -12:20 pm, Room 9202**

Ocean Acidification is the decrease of the pH in the ocean caused by increased carbon dioxide in the atmosphere. Some of this carbon dioxide reacts with water to form carbonic acid, thereby increasing ocean acidity. Increasing acidity is thought to have a range of possibly harmful consequences, such as depressing metabolic rates and immune responses in some organisms, and causing coral bleaching, and contributing to global warming. This panel of experts discussed what ocean acidification means for the global environment and for us here in the Pacific Northwest.



## The Vision and Work of Goodwill Industries

**Daryl Campbell**, President and CEO, Goodwill-Seattle

**Wednesday, May 4, 2016, 11:30 am -12:30 pm, 2308**

Seattle Goodwill works to enhance the dignity and quality of life of individuals and families by strengthening communities, eliminating barriers to opportunity, and helping people in need reach their full potential through learning and the power of work. They do this by providing free job training and education – and basic services – to low income individuals throughout five counties in western Washington. Immigrants and refugees make up a substantial part of the population served by Goodwill.



# DECA- Preparing for the World

Cuong Nguyen, member

Kelsey O'Connor, member

Chronos Chow , member

Ailsa Kellam (advisor, moderator)

Thursday, May 26, 2016 11:30am – 12:20pm, 1402

Shoreline students went head to head against students from other prominent schools throughout the region, including the University of Washington-Bothell Campus, Washington State University, Western Washington University, Gonzaga, Bellevue College, and Spokane Community College. Shoreline students will discuss how their Collegiate DECA experience in Spokane, WA and in Washington, D.C.,



## GLOBAL EYES SERIES, 2015-2016

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14-Oct	Cuba – A Country in Flux	64	23	23	3.4	3.6	1.9	22
28-Oct	The Challenge and Promise of a Multicultural South Africa	74	25	25	3.4	3.4	2.2	25
4-Nov	Women in Social Protest	52	14	14	3.1	3.2	2.0	14
18-Nov	Cambodia: A Country of Contradictions	23	8	8	3.9	3.6	2.1	8
24-Nov	Dental Hygiene and Nursing Service-Learning, Bolivia, 2015	30	12	12	3.5	3.6	2.2	12
14-Jan	Immigration and Refugees: We've Seen this Newsreel Before	40	12	12	3.0	3.1	2.3	12
26-Jan	Online News Media	25	8	8	2.9	2.9	2.4	8
11-Feb	Personal Transformation and Travel to South Africa	20	6	6	3.3	3.3	2.2	6
25-Feb	Food and Wellness, MOOC 2015	18	7	7	3.9	3.7	2.1	7
9-Mar	Zika Virus: Science and Pregnancy	No data						
19-Apr	Dying Oceans (Acidification)	14	6	6	3.5	3.8	2.1	6
4-May	The Vision and Work of Goodwill Industries	No data						
26-May	DECA: Preparing for the World	25	10	8	3.1	2.7	2.3	9
	Average	35	12	12	3.4	3.4	2.2	12

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# GREAT DISCUSSIONS 2016

April 7 - May 26, 2016 (Thursdays)

6:30-8:00 pm

Shoreline Community College

Room 1010(M)

*Weekly discussions among students and members of the community who share an interest in foreign policy issues. Participants read a briefing paper on each topic in advance, we begin with a short video, followed by discussion of the issue. [Briefing material and images from Foreign Policy Association in NY.]*

## The Rise of ISIS (April 7)

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Michael Gabbay**, Senior Principal Physicist, University of Washington

*Born out of an umbrella organization of Al Qaeda in Iraq, the Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS) burst onto the international stage after it seized Falluja in December 2013. Since then, the group has seized control of a number of critical strongholds in the country and declared itself a caliphate, known as the Islamic State.*



## Middle East Regional Alliances (April 14)

**Guest Speaker: Anna Zelenz**, PhD student, Political Science, University of Washington

*From a proxy war in Yemen to an ongoing civil war in Syria, a number of ongoing conflicts have shaken the traditional alliances in the Middle East to their core. As alliances between state and non-state actors in the region are constantly shifting, the U.S. has found itself between a rock and a hard place.*



**Climate change (April 21)\*\*** Note: this discussion took place in Room 9208, starting at 7:00 pm, as part of a broader event on Biofuels and Climate Change

*In the past few years the American public has become more aware of the damage wrought by climate change. From droughts in the west to extreme weather in the east, a rapidly changing climate has already made its footprint in the United States. Can biofuels power our nation's huge fleet of automobiles and trucks and power plant at less climate harm?*



## The Future of Kurdistan (April 28)

**Guest Speaker: Michael Sims**, PhD Student, Near and Middle Eastern Studies, University of Washington

*Kurdistan, a mountainous region made up of parts of Turkey, Iraq, Iran, Armenia and Syria, is home to one of the largest ethnic groups in West Asia: the Kurds. Now, most in the West know them for their small, oil-rich autonomous region in northern Iraq called Iraqi Kurdistan — one of the U.S.' closer allies in the Middle East and a bulwark against the expansion of the so-called Islamic State.*



## International Migration (May 5)

**Guest Speaker: Michelle O'Brien**, PhD student, Sociology, University of Washington

*As a record number of migrants cross the Mediterranean Sea to find refuge in Europe, the continent is struggling to come up with an adequate response. Although Europe's refugees are largely fleeing conflicts in Syria, Iraq and parts of Africa, their struggle is hardly unique. Today, with the number of displaced people at an all-time high, a number of world powers find themselves facing a difficult question: How can they balance border security with humanitarian concerns?*



## The Koreas (May 12)

**Guest Speaker: Clark Sorensen**, Professor of International Studies at the Jackson School of International Studies and Director of the Center for Korean Studies, University of Washington

*At the end of World War II, Korea was divided in two. The northern half of the Korean peninsula was occupied by the Soviet Union, the southern by the United States. Today, North and South Korea couldn't be further apart. The North is underdeveloped, impoverished and ruled by a corrupt, authoritarian government, while the South advanced rapidly to become one of the most developed countries in the world.*



## The United Nations (May 19)

**Guest Speaker: Micheal Beard**, Executive Director at United Nations Association Greater Seattle

*On the eve of the international organization's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday, the United Nations stands at a halfway point in the organization's global effort to eradicate poverty, hunger and discrimination, as well as ensure justice and dignity for all peoples. But UN's 193 member states must also assess their needs for a new series of benchmarks, and appoint the ninth secretary-general.*



## Cuba and the U.S. (May 26)

**Guest Speaker: Marc McLeod**, Associate Professor of History and Director of Latin American Studies, at Seattle University

*The U.S. announced in December 2014 that, after decades of isolation, it has begun taking major steps to normalize relations with Cuba, its neighbor to the south. The announcement marks a dramatic shift away from a policy that has its roots in one of the darkest moments of the Cold War — the Cuban missile crisis. Although the U.S. trade embargo is unlikely to end any time soon, American and Cuban leaders today are trying to bring a relationship once defined by a crisis in the 1960s into the 21<sup>st</sup> century.*



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14-Apr	Middle East	23	17	17 yes	4.6	4.4	4.2	17
21-Apr	Climate Change	51	22	22 yes	2.7	3.0	1.5	22
28-Apr	The Future of Kurdistan	30	11	11 yes	4.7	4.2	1.5	10
5-May	Migration	26	8	8 yes	4.5	4.6	3.6	7
12-May	The Koreas	21	6	5 yes	4.3	4.2	4.0	5
19-May	The United Nations	24	7	7 yes	4.8	4.8	4.8	5
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## Appendix A

### **Vision**

*An informed and engaged public is essential to peace and prosperity.*

### **Purpose**

The Global Affairs Center supports teaching excellence, and promotes student success and community engagement through programs that encourage critical thinking, dialog and inter-cultural understanding regarding global issues, and local issues with global consequences.

### **Programs**

- **Speakers and Panel Discussions** about a particular issue or common theme, such as national identities and worldviews, biotechnology, humanitarian assistance, global health, and the environment (evening events)
- **Global Eyes** – Daytime events that showcase the international work and experiences of Shoreline faculty, students, staff, and community members. We also organize campus discussions of breaking news.
- **Great Discussions** – Seminars focusing on current U.S. foreign policy issues
- **Workshops** – Daylong programs that explore a particular topic

### **Benefits**

- Advance student success and program excellence
- Strengthen community engagement
- Support campus internationalization and multiculturalism

### **Partnerships**

The GAC partners with several local organizations to bring programs to Shoreline, including

- Global Washington
- The Evans School of Public Affairs/ UW
- The Henry M. Jackson School of International Affairs, UW
- The Washington Council on International Trade
- The Washington State China Relations Council
- The World Affairs Council of Seattle
- Departments, other programs, and student clubs at the college

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[www.twitter.com/SCCglobalac](https://www.twitter.com/SCCglobalac)

*For more information:*

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Appendix B  
**GLOBAL AFFAIRS CENTER TEAM**  
**2015-2016**

**Lawrence D. (Larry) Fuell, Director**

Larry is the Director of the Global Affairs Center at Shoreline Community College, which he started in 2008 shortly after he began teaching there. Larry is also an Adjunct Professor and teaches International Relations, U.S. Foreign Policy, and team-teaches Introduction to Globalization (INTST123). Prior to joining Shoreline's faculty in 2006, Larry served more than 20 years in the U.S. government, including as a Foreign Agricultural Affairs Officer in Peru, China and Guatemala. He has taught at Concordia College in Moorhead, MN, and at the University of Jos in Nigeria. He has traveled in Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America. Larry was born in Cincinnati and earned B.A. (Miami University, Oxford, Ohio) and PhD (University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky) degrees in Political Science.

**Elouiessa Muaña, Program Assistant**

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**Tri Tran, Work-Study**

Tri is an immigration student from Vietnam and has lived in the United States since 2010. Tri is studying computer information systems at Shoreline and plans to transfer to the University of Washington or Seattle University with an Associate degree. After earning his Bachelor degree in computer programming, Tri wants to work as a computer programmer and computer systems designer. In his free time, Tri like to play soccer, video game and he dabble in playing guitar. His favorite soccer team is Arsenal, from England.

**Jonathan Peebles, Work-Study**

Jonathan is a second year student at Shoreline community college. He graduated from Everett High School in Everett, Washington in 2014. He is currently pursuing an Associate transfer degree in political science. He wants to earn a bachelor's degree in political science and eventually a law degree at the University of Washington. Beyond that he plans to pursue a career in politics. His interest in politics began in high school where he first enrolled in a government class. He loves learning about history and sees it as an important gateway to understanding current international politics.

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