



# ANNUAL REPORT

2014-2015

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Shoreline Community College**

**June 30, 2015**

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***Letter from the Director***

2014-2015 was another busy year of evening and daytime programs, including a half-day workshop on civic engagement that focused on three substantive issue areas at the heart of the college's mission: poverty reduction, support for higher education, and the environment. We also conducted a comprehensive survey of the public regarding GAC programming, the results of which are reported below.

This year's programs included:

- A series of discussions of the national identities and regional/global interests of China, Japan, and India;
- A very entertaining night of music with global roots
- Discussions of technological advances in brain research and agricultural research
- The nature of Post-Traumatic Stress and the efforts of two Seattle-based non-profit organizations to bring attention to the challenges facing military personnel
- A lecture on the "myths of globalization"
- Two events focused on the current Ebola Virus outbreak in West Africa, and lessons learned from this and other infectious disease outbreaks
- Eight daytime seminars featuring the international experiences and expertise of our own students and faculty
- A series of debates about current foreign policy issues that replicates the kinds of discussions that take place in governments and communities elsewhere in the United States
- A panel discussion with students from Hong Kong and Mainland China of the political crisis in Hong Kong taking place at that time
- Interpreting the meaning of Islam through the eyes and behavior of one particular Sudanese scholar
- The root causes and consequences of ongoing conflicts in Southeast Asia and the Palestinian Territories
- A discussion of the meaning of "civic engagement" around the world, with several international Humphrey Fellows from the University of Washington
- The humanitarian relief and development assistance work of several non-profit organizations in the Seattle area
- The meaning of "marriage"
- Personal experience and observations by a staff member and international student at the college regarding their travel and immigration to and from Kenya
- A half-day workshop on civic engagement, with practical experience about advocating on behalf of poverty reduction, support for high education, and addressing environmental challenges

- Another round of Great Discussions, weekly gathering of students and members of the community to talk about current foreign policy issues

A comprehensive survey of GAC supporters was conducted in spring, 2015. The objective was to gather feedback about program content, venues and marketing. Responses were received from 75 individuals, 15 percent of the total number of surveys distributed. Key findings:

- Most respondents reports that they enjoyed the events they attended, they learned things they did not know before, and left curious to learn more
- Respondents reported interest in a wide range of topics but the topics of greatest interest were humanitarian relief/development assistance, U.S. foreign policy, and the foreign policy of other countries.
- Lectures, interviews, and panel discussions are all acceptable venues

For further details, including responses to open-ended questions, see the full report near the end of this document.

We are grateful to the many guests who participated in this year's GAC programs as speakers, panelists, and moderators. The audience members, with their able questions and willingness to participate in discussions, made these events more than just a series of lectures.

Faculty and administrative employees of the college from across the campus, but especially in the Social Sciences division, were speakers and active participants in events. We appreciate the support of several faculty members encouraging students to attend these events, even offering extra credit in some cases for students who attended.

This year we varied the format of some of these events and, based on the feedback received, it seems to have been a popular move. Rather than a single guest speaker, we included panel discussions and interview formats. It worked very well and we plan to continue with this format in the future when appropriate.

Thank you for your continued support.

*Larry Fuell*

Director  
Global Affairs Center

## EVENING EVENTS 2014-2015

### The Cultural Roots of Urban-Acoustic-Folk-Soul Music

**Reggie Garrett** and the Snake-Oil Peddlers (Humanities and Social Change Series)  
Thursday, October 16, 2014, 7:00 pm -8:30 pm, 9208 PUB

“A unique strain incorporating . . . Latin rhythms, blues, gospel, Celtic and more. The result is a musical blend that has excited and touched audiences throughout the Northwest. [Garrett’s] singing reflects the folk/rock/gospel traditions with which he grew up.” (from [www.seapeace.org](http://www.seapeace.org))



### New Technologies in Brain Research & Therapies

**Dr. Jan-Marino Ramirez**, Director, Center for Integrative Brain Research  
Thursday, October 23, 2014, 7:00 pm -8:30 pm, 9208 PUB \

The Center for Integrative Brain Research is unraveling the mechanisms beneath neurological . . . disorders. This knowledge will lay the foundation for innovative therapies that prevent or cure such disorders as Autism, ADHD (attention deficit hyperactivity disorder), SIDS (sudden infant death syndrome), Rett syndrome, and epilepsy. (CIBR website)



### Post-Traumatic Stress and Traumatic Brain Injuries

**Janet Carbary**, CFO, One Mind  
**Tony Belot**, Rally Point/6  
Thursday, November 6, 2014, 7:00 pm -8:30 pm, 9208 PUB

Representatives of a Seattle-based, independent, non-profit organization focused on developing new treatments and cures for all illnesses and disorders of the brain, and Washington State’s largest one-stop resource center for transitioning military service members and their families, discuss the work of their organizations and ways in which they collaborate to the benefit of military personnel.



### Preparing for the Next Pandemic: Lessons from Ebola and other Infectious-Disease Outbreaks

**Lisa Cohen**, Executive Director, the Washington Global Health Alliance  
**Scott Gordon**, Director, Windows of Opportunity Project, PATH  
**Karin Huster**, Clinical Lead, Partners in Health  
**Kathleen Walsh**, Deputy Director, Strategy Planning and Management in the Office of the President, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation  
Thursday, January 29, 2014, 7:00 pm -8:30 pm, 9208 PUB

A panel made up of representatives some of Seattle’s leading non-government organizations dealing with issues of science, policy, and implementation that determine how we prepare for and respond to global health pandemics.



## Biotechnology and Agriculture

**Dr. Toby Bradshaw**, Biology Department, University of Washington

**Dr. Christina Owen**, Program Officer, Agricultural Development Group, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

**Ms. Natalie Dinicola**, Vice President of Sustainable Agriculture Partnerships, Monsanto Company (Biotechnology Series)

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



The role of biotechnology (or genetically-modified organisms) and agriculture remains a controversial topic. Campaigns have been launched to ban its use in research and extension, and to require labeling of food products made with ingredients derived from biotech agricultural products. Two leading scientists, plus a representative of one of the largest companies that markets biotech seeds, will discuss the science and future development of this sector.

## Worldviews of China, India, and Japan

**Dr. David Bachman**, , The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington

**Dr. Donald Hellman**, The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington

**Dr. Anand Yang**, The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington

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



A conversation with three distinguished professors at The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington. International power and influence are no longer concentrated in a handful of (mostly western) nations and their ideas about modernity, democracy, and security. Today it seems that the worldviews of people and governments elsewhere are increasingly important. China, India, and Japan are three such nations with growing regional and global interests. \*This event was co-sponsored by the Center for Global Studies, East Asia Center, and South Asia Center at The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington

## Myths of Globalization

**Dr. Matthew Sparke**, Geography Department and The Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington

**Thursday, February 26, 2015, 7:00 pm -8:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

Is globalization new, inevitable, and creating a “level playing field” or “flat world” where all share in its benefits, as some believe? Professor Sparke argues that these are myths, that reality is sometimes very different, and that there are alternative paths to globalization.



## Evening Events

2014-2015

### Assessment Data

		Attend	# Surveys Collected	Program Satisfaction Yes = 1/	Increased understanding of issue 2/	Increased Curiosity 3/	Prior Knowledge 4/
16-Oct	<b>The Cultural Roots of Urban-Acoustic-Folk-Soul Music</b>	25	5	5	2.8	3.5	2.3
23-Oct	<b>New Technologies in Brain Research &amp; Therapies</b>	55	18	18	3.4	3.6	1.6
6-Nov	<b>Post-Traumatic Stress and Traumatic Brain Injuries</b>	35	17	17	3.1	3	1.8
29-Jan	<i>Preparing for the Next Pandemic: Lessons from Ebola and other Infectious-Disease Outbreaks</i>	30	9	9	3	3.1	2.3
5-Feb	<b>Biotechnology and Agriculture</b>	28	12	12	2.6	3.1	1.9
12-Feb	<b>Worldviews of China, India, and Japan</b>	36	3	3	2.7	3	1.3
26-Feb	<b>Myths of Globalization</b>	65	16	16	2.9	3.3	2.5
	<b>AVERAGE</b>	39	11	11	2.9	3.2	2.0

1. # of those surveyed who said 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)

## GLOBAL EYES EVENTS 2014-2015

*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.*

### Hong Kong and China

**Panel discussion with international students from Hong Kong and Mainland China Tuesday, October 14 2014, 12:30 pm -1:20 pm, 9208 PUB**

What is Hong Kong's relationship to Mainland China? What were the recent demonstrations in Hong Kong about? What makes Hong Kong unique? These and other questions were discussed by a panel of three students from Hong Kong and three students from Mainland China.



### A 21<sup>st</sup> Century Relationship between Japan and Washington State?

**Consul General Masahiro Omura, Japan Consulate, Seattle  
Wednesday, October 15, 2014, 12:30 pm-1:30pm, 9208 PUB**

In our increasingly globalized world, Washington State and Japan have a strong connection, economically, socially and culturally. Find out more about this longstanding partnership and discover something new about Japan. Remarks by Japan's official representative in Seattle.



### Chinese-Japanese Relations in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

**Sam Shepherd, Senior Advisor Associates in Cultural Exchange  
Thursday, October 30, 2014, 12:30 pm -1:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

China and Japan have a long history of animosity and conflict toward each other. Will history repeat itself, or will the new world order in Asia be peaceful? A discussion with someone who has lived and worked in Asia for decades.



### Ebola: Science, Healthcare, and Personal Perspectives (Panel)

**Judy Penn, Biology, Shoreline, CC  
Hermien Watkins, Nursing Program, Shoreline CC (retired)  
James Jagow, former Volunteer, Peace Corps Liberia  
Ugochukwu Obianozie, Shoreline CC s(born in Nigeria)  
Wednesday, November 12, 2014,, 11:30 am-12:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

How did the disease spread? How was it controlled? What was it like to be in the outbreak area? A panel made up of Shoreline Biology and Nursing faculty, a student born in Nigeria, and a former Peace Corps volunteer who served recently in Liberia, discussed the outbreak and eventual control of the Ebola virus outbreak taking place at the time in West Africa.



### Progressive Islam and the Three Equalities

**Dr. Ernest Johnson, Equity and Social Justice, Shoreline Community College  
Wednesday, November 12m 2014, 12:30-1:30pm, 9208 PUB**

A lecture by one of the college's preeminent experts on Islam, on the thoughts of Mahmoud Mohamed Taha, a voice from the margins, and his interpretation of Islam.





## Coping with Conflict in Southeast Asia and the Palestinian Territories

**Susan Barclay**, Anthropology, Shoreline Community College

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

**Thursday, November 20, 2014, 12:30 -1:30pm, 9208 PUB**

Two Shoreline faculty members offering their observations about the individual effects of conflict in the Palestinian Territories and in Cambodia and Laos.



## Civic Engagement around the World (Panel)

**Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows from the Evan School of Public Affairs, University of Washington:**

**Mr. Greg Malagui** (Papua New Guinea)

**Ms. Syboney Biwa** ( Namibia)

**Ms. Natalie O'Brady** (Trinidad and Tobago)

**Ms. Kanwal Ali** (Pakistan)

**Mr. Anurag Sahay** (India)

**Thursday, January 29, 2015, 11:30 am -12:30pm, 9208 PUB**

The meaning and means of “civic engagement” vary around the world, including voting, public protests, underground campaigns, and less direct but just as powerful platforms such as song, film and literature. The students from Hubert H. Humphrey International Fellows at the Evan School of Public Affairs, University of Washington, talked about its meaning in their home countries.



## Altered State: The Meaning of Marriage

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

**Friday, February 6, 2015, 11:30 am -12:30pm, 9208 PUB**

Is marriage still relevant? What role does it serve? Why are rates of marriage declining as some people fight for the right to get married? What are current attitudes towards marriage and what is the future of that institution?



## Exporting Airplanes, Software and Hope: The International Humanitarian Work of Washington NGOs

**Kristen Dailey**, Executive Director of Global Washington

**Thursday, February 12, 2015, 11:30 am -12:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

Washington State is rich in private organizations, large and small, that provide humanitarian and development assistance support around the world. This is an accomplishment worth celebrating, and offers opportunities for volunteer experiences that will inspire students.



## Personal Transformations to and from Kenya

**Stephanie Tschanz**, Workforce Development Staff, Shoreline Community College

**Samsam Nuh**, Student, Shoreline Community College

**Thursday, February 26, 2015, 11:30 pm -1:30 pm, 9208 PUB**

- What is it like traveling from the U.S to Kenya?
- What’s it like emigrating from Kenya to the U.S.?
- What’s it like going back to visit

Stephanie and Samsam compare notes on their “transformative” experiences to and from Kenya.



## Daytime Events (Global Eyes)

2014 – 2015

### Assessment Data

		Attend	# Surveys Collected	Program Satisfaction <sup>1/</sup>	Increased understanding of issue <sup>2/</sup>	Increased Curiosity <sup>3/</sup>	Prior Knowledge <sup>4/</sup>
9-Oct	Conversation with students from Hong Kong and Mainland China	30	No data				
15-Oct	Washington State-Japan Relations: Looking Toward a Mutually Prosperous Future	56	18	Y=5, n/a=13	2.8	3.5	2.3
30-Oct	Chinese-Japanese Relations in a New World Order	55	27	Y=27	2.8	3	2.3
12-Nov	Ebola: Science, Healthcare, and Personal Perspectives	75	6	Y=5	3.2	2.7	2
12-Nov	Progressive Islam and the Three Equalities	50	27	Y=27	3.2	2.8	1.8
20-Nov	Coping with Conflict in Southeast Asia and the Palestinian Territories	68	43	Y=43	3.1	3.1	2.8
29-Jan	Civic Engagement Around the World, a conversation with Humphrey Fellows, Evan School of Public Affairs, UW	40	No data				
6-Feb	Altared State: The Meaning of Marriage	35	22	Y=22	3.1	3.2	2.4
12-Feb	Exporting Airplanes, Software and Hope: <i>Washington's NGOs,</i>	36	3	Y=3	2.7	3	1.3
26-Feb	Personal Transformations to and from Kenya	40	18	Y=18	3.1	3.2	2.2
	<b>AVERAGE</b>	49	21		3.0	3.1	2.1

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4. Average level of prior knowledge of the issue (0-4 scale)

# GREAT DISCUSSIONS 2015

April 9 - May 28, 2015 (Thursdays)

6:30-8:30 pm

Shoreline Community College

Room 1010(M)

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

## Russia and the Near Abroad (April 9)

**Guest Speaker: Chip Dodd**, Geography, International Studies, and Globalization, Shoreline Community College

*As calls for closer ties with the EU failed to be met, Ukrainians took to the streets in in November 2013. As the movement later known as the Euromaidan, or "Euro Square," pulled western Ukraine closer to its European neighbors, another powerful force threatened to tear away the country's eastern half: Russia. Putin's pushback against European expansionism has the West wondering: If Putin's Russia isn't afraid to take an aggressive stance against Europeanization in Ukraine, what does that mean for the rest of Russia's neighbors?*



## Privacy in the Digital Age (April 16)

**Guest Speakers: Gary Kalbfleisch**, Director of Technology Support Service, Shoreline Community College; and, **Brett Horvath**, Entrepreneur and Activist

*The idea of "privacy" has undergone significant changes in the digital age, as has the idea of privacy "harm." Fearful of British spying, influence and intervention, the founding fathers granted citizens significant protections in the Constitution. Now, the tables have turned: Concerns about what some see as a U.S. "dragnet" and unwarranted privacy intrusions have compelled other countries to revamp their own privacy protections. Legislation, both at home and abroad, hasn't kept pace with technological developments, leaving some wondering if privacy as we know it is long dead.*



## Sectarianism in the Middle East (April 23)

**Guest Speaker: David Fenner**, Assistant Vice Provost for International Education, University of Washington in 2007

*Many of the current conflicts in the Middle East have been attributed to sectarianism, a politicization of ethnic and religious identity. From the crisis in Iraq and Syria to the tension between Iran and Saudi Arabia, the struggle between Sunni and Shi'i groups for dominance is tearing apart the region and shows no signs of abating. But for all the religious discourse permeating the conflict, much of its roots are political, not religious. How does sectarianism fit into a larger narrative of the Middle East? How have governments manipulated sectarian differences?*



### India Changes Course (April 30)

**Guest Speaker: Samira Pardanani**, International Education, Shoreline Community College, and **Larry Clarke**, Sociology, Shoreline Community College

*Fed up with corruption, dynastic policies and ineffective public services, Indian voters catapulted Narendra Modi and his Bharatiya Janata Party to power in the country's 2014 elections. For voters, Modi embodied real change and an India that wasn't stumbling, but running, to greatness. But for other countries, change in India brings its own set of unknowns.*



### U.S. Policy Toward Africa (May 7)

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Omara Benjamin ABE**, founding member and *Chairman of the Board* of the African Chamber of Commerce of the Pacific Northwest, Seattle

*Africa is in the midst of an unprecedented transformation. The continent is home to some of the fastest growing economies in the world, and it's become a draw for foreign investors from across the globe. After the "Obamamania" of 2008 died down, though, the realization that Obama wasn't going to overturn, or even prioritize, U.S. Africa policy kicked in.*



### Syria's Refugee Crisis (May 14)

**Guest Speaker: Rita Zawaideh**, Founding Member of the Board of Directors of the Arab American Community Coalition of Washington State and the Salaam Cultural Museum

*Syrians have for a century welcomed over a million refugees from Armenia, Palestine, Iraq and other countries around the region. Now, thanks to a multiyear civil war, they are on track to become the source of the world's largest refugee population in a matter of months.*



### Human Trafficking in the 21st Century (May 21)

**Guest Speaker: Sylvia Stellmacher**, Global Citizenship Fellow with the U.S. Fund for UNICEF in Seattle.

*International human trafficking represents a multibillion dollar business per annum and continues to be one of the fastest growing criminal industries. While undeniably a global phenomenon, the U.S., as one of the world's leading human trafficking importers, bears a special responsibility to combat this practice. The U.S. and the international community have adopted various treaties and laws to prevent trafficking, but to truly understand and combat the issue, they must find the root causes enabling traffickers to exploit millions of victims.*



### Brazil's Metamorphosis (May 28)

**Guest Speaker: Jonathan Warren**, Co-Director of the Center for Brazilian Studies, Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington

*Brazil — it's the "B" in the acronym BRICS, five emerging economies once seen as soon-to-be superpowers. After economic troubles in the 1990s, Brazil has risen to new global prominence — it's drawing in more investment, working on global issues ranging from climate change to peacekeeping, and even hosting the 2016 Olympics. But some of Brazil's trickiest problems — deep divisions over how to tackle serious income inequality, weak civic institutions and poor regional leadership — have held it back.*



## GREAT DISCUSSIONS 2015

### Assessment Data

Date	Topic	# Attend	# Surveys Collected	Program Satisfaction 1/	Increased awareness 2/	Increased Curiosity 3/	Prior Knowledge 4/	Would Recommend 5/
9-Apr	Russia and the Near Abroad	28	22	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.5	22
16-Apr	Privacy in the Digital Age	31	2	4.0	3.5	3.5	3.5	2
23-Apr	Sectarianism in the Middle East	24	20	3.8	4.0	3.7	3.5	20
30-Apr	India Changes Course	35	20	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.4	20
7-May	U.S. Policy Toward Africa	36	16	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.3	16
14-May	Syria's Refugee Crisis	36	21	3.5	3.5	3.3	3.4	16
21-May	Human Trafficking	40	19	3.2	3.4	3.3	3.0	19
28-May	Brazil's Metamorphosis	34	26	3.5	3.5	3.4	3.4	26
	<b>AVERAGE</b>	33	18	3.6	3.5	3.4	3.4	18

1. Average level of enjoyment of program (0-4 scale)
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



# AMP YOUR VOICE

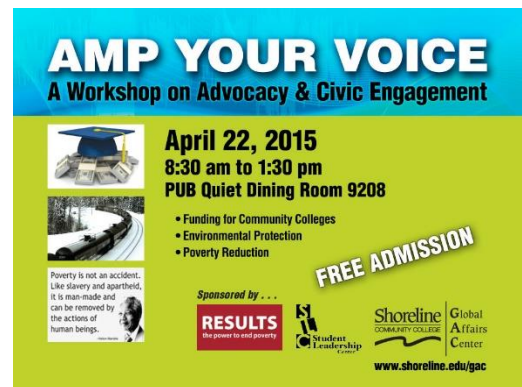
A Workshop on Advocacy and Civic Engagement  
The Environment, Education, and Poverty Reduction

April 22, 2015

8:30 am – 1:30 pm

Room 9208 (Quiet Dining Room)

*The SCC Global Affairs Center, in collaboration with RESULTS Seattle and the Student Leadership Center at Shoreline Community College, held a workshop on April 22, 2015, that taught students some powerful advocacy and civic engagement tools. The information imparted included knowledge and skills needed to effectively campaign for legislation and policies that support state funding for higher education, environmental protection, and poverty reduction.*



## PROGRAM DETAILS

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|------------------------------|--|
| 8:30                         | <b>Welcome</b><br>Ashley Cowan, SLC President  |
| 8:35-9:25                    | <b>Advocacy and Civic Engagement on Poverty Issues</b><br>Karen Gielen, RESULTS Seattle  |
| 9:30 – 10:20                 | <b>Washington State Funding For Higher Education</b><br>Terry Taylor, Acting Dean of Social Sciences Division and History Professor<br>Amy Kinsel, SCCFT Local 1950 President, and History Professor |
| 10:30-11:20                  | <b>Washington State Environmental Challenges</b><br>Cathy Lehman, Voter Education and Outreach Director, Washington Environmental Council  |
| 11:30 – 12:20<br>Pizza Lunch | <b>Technique for Effective Advocacy and Civic Engagement</b><br>RESULTS Seattle  |
| 12:30 – 1:20                 | <b>Hands-on Advocacy Training</b>  |
| 1:20                         | <b>Closing</b><br>Ashley Cowan, SLC President  |

# Amp your Voice: A Workshop on Advocacy and Engagement

April 22, 2015

## Assessment Data

		Attend	# Surveys Collected	Program Satisfaction 1/	Increased understanding of issue 2/	Increased Curiosity 3/	Prior Knowledge 4/
8:30-9:30	<b>Advocacy for Poverty Reduction,</b> Karen Gielen, RESULTS	11	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
9:30-10:30	<b>Advocacy for Higher Education Funding,</b> Amy Kinsel & Terry	32	16	15	3.3	3.1	1.9
10:30-11:30	<b>Advocacy for Environmental Reform,</b> Cathy Lehman	19	10	9	2.5	2.5	1.1
11:30-12:30	<b>Techniques of Advocacy,</b> Karen Gielen, RESULTS	33	22	22	3.2	2.8	1.5
12:30-1:30	<b>Hands-on Advocacy Training,</b> Karen Gielen, RESULTS	26	13	13	2.7	2.9	1.9
	<b>AVERAGE</b>	24	15	15	2.3	2.3	1.3

1. # of those surveyed who said they enjoyed the program
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4. Average level of prior knowledge of the issue (0-4 scale)

# Global Affairs Center

## Spring 2015 Survey

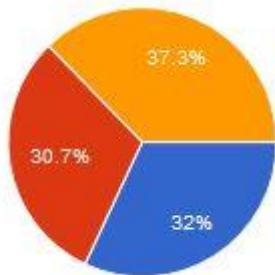
A questionnaire was sent to approximately 500 individuals in late March soliciting feedback regarding past and future GAC programming. 75 responses were received (15 percent) and are summarized below. These responses will help us do a better job of designing future programs.

### SUMMARY

37% of respondents attended 3 or more events in the last year, and 73% had attended three or more since 2008. 17% of the respondents overall were students, 35% SCC employees, and 44% community members, including alumni students. All the respondents said they enjoyed the events they attended and nearly all said they increased their understanding of the issues discussed, including hearing alternative perspectives

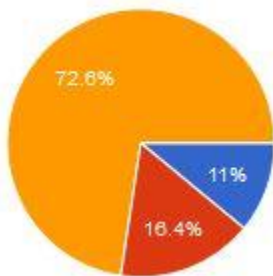
### PAST EVENTS

#### 1. How many GAC events have you attended thus far this year (2014-2015)?



None	24	32%
1 or 2	23	30.7%
3 or more	28	37.3%

#### 2. Considering all GAC events SINCE 2008, approximately how many events have you attended to date?

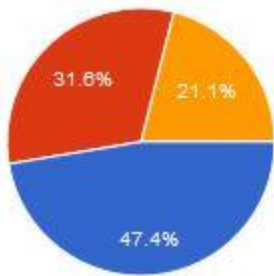


None	8	11%
1 or 2	12	16.4%
3 or more	53	72.6%

**If you have not attended any GAC events to date, skip to Question #6**



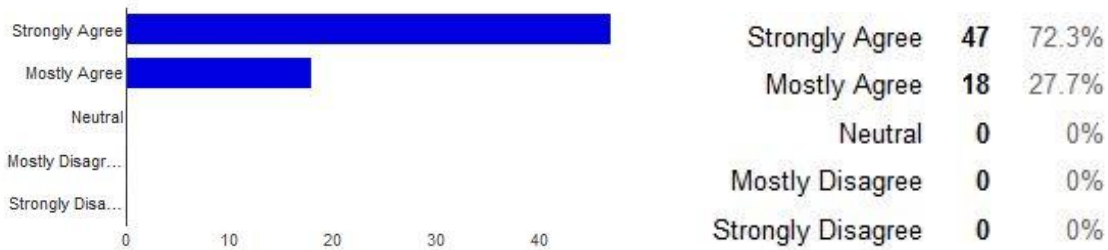
**3. Have the events you attended mostly been in the evening, during the daytime, or both?**



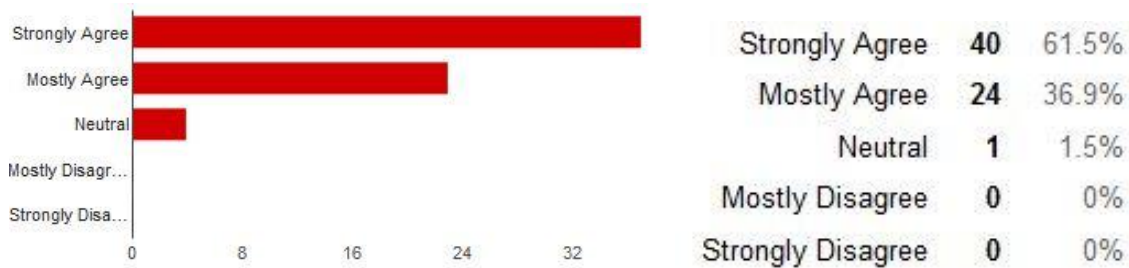
Mostly evening events	27	47.4%
Mostly daytime events	18	31.6%
Mixed	12	21.1%

**4. Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements about your experience with GAC events.**

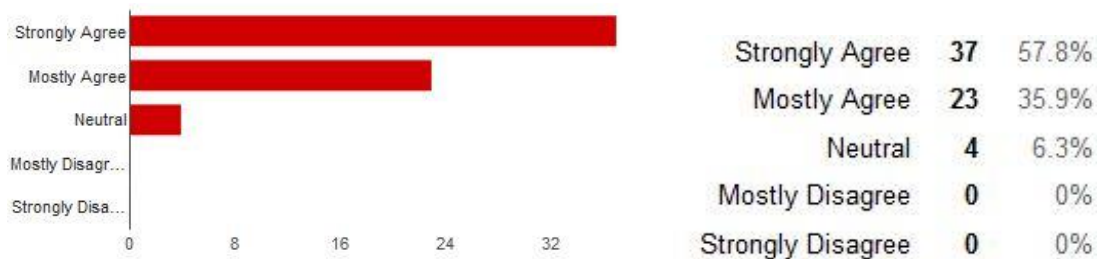
**4a. I enjoyed the GAC event(s) that I attended.**



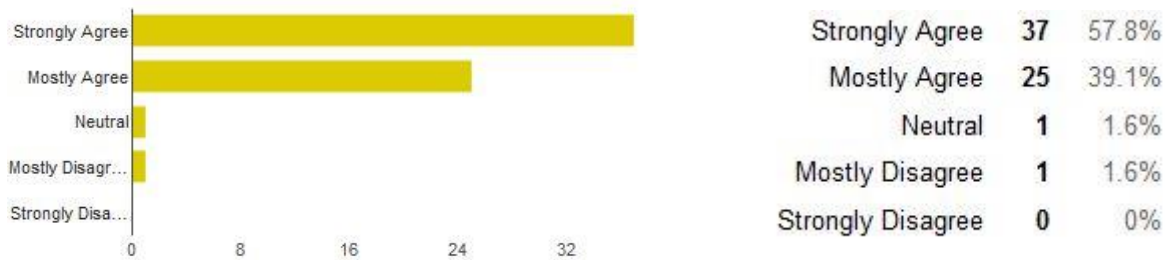
**4b. The GAC event(s) that I attended increased my understanding of the subject.**



**4c. The GAC event(s) that I attended increased my curiosity to learn more about the subject.**



**4d. During the GAC event(s) I attended, I gained insight from a perspective that was different from my own.**



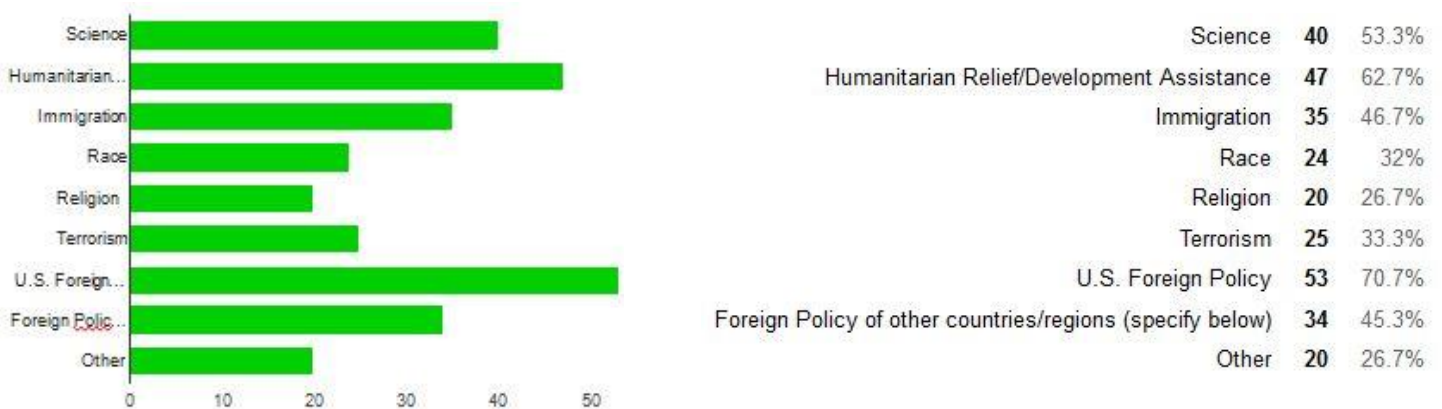
**5. What was the most valuable thing you learn from any of the GAC events that you attended? (open-ended questions; responses verbatim, some editing for grammar)**

- That corruption appears to be a major problem but is usually noted as "a minor problem" by most speakers. That often it takes harsh leadership policies to keep disparate societies in line and that efforts to sponsor democratic policies simply do not work at this point.
- How depressingly common most problems are from nation to nation with corruption being the primary issue.
- The level of interest on the part of attendees was gratifying.
- The underlying commonality of the problems facing humanity.
- A global perspective compared to the very "local" one that we tend to have living in the United States.
- The connection with the community and experts from the respective areas. Life-long learning!!
- Real speakers talking about real things!
- The most valuable thing for me has been the presenting of a broad range of concepts/ideas that were off my current personal radar. They were not necessarily new, but clearly not recent.
- Variety of topics and viewpoints
- As both a participant and occasionally a presenter, I found GAC programs informative and challenging to "conventional wisdom" (including my own). I believe this program provides an invaluable service to the Shoreline community and I am proud to have been selected on occasion to present to this forum.
- That news from the newspapers and TV is very slanted and tells only a small portion of the whole story. Hearing from both sides of an issue can be very enlightening.
- Tuition freeze, how to talk to legislators
- The interaction with audience members who asked questions, and speakers' responses from different perspective.
- Always timely, great sources (speakers, etc.) and well presented.
- It has helped shape how I critically think about issues. No one issue stands out for me, but it reminds me how important it is to gather the information before making a judgement call on it.
- Learning about the earth and human development.
- Hearing from people who had lived in and could tell us about Iran and Israel are the ones that first come to mind, but they were all interesting.

- The extent of trade between Washington State and Japan.
- Greater awareness of events happening outside the U.S. and greater empathy for people and events of other cultures/countries. This is a great program, and I am surprised that more people aren't attending.
- That I was introduced to subject matter by experts that had long and documented experience in the topic's subject matter.
- New applications for biotechnology.
- Multi-faceted (interdisciplinary) approach to education on international issues
- Hearing from people who have lived/worked in the environment being discussed and to get their take on the situations.
- How common the problems afflicting the nations of the world have become.
- Gaining appreciation for learning something outside my knowledge base and listening to others' opinions on various subjects.
- World Affairs Council videos and speakers
- I'm no longer very interested in just being a passive listener. I think you need more time for questions from the audience.
- Background seems to strongly influence perspectives.
- The most valuable thing was the interaction between the attendees and the speaker(s). The questions were often from a perspective that I (and sometimes the speaker) had not considered. This represents a fresh approach from traditional (!) thinking and sometimes an approach from outside the proverbial box.

## FUTURE EVENTS

6. Which of the following topics, possibly addressed in future GAC events, would you be most interested in learning more about from a global perspective?



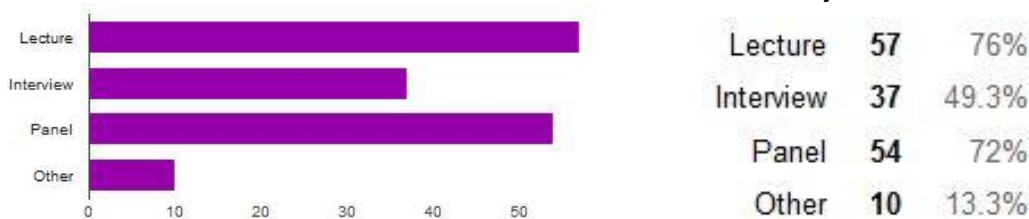
**7. Are there any particular countries or regions you would be interested in hearing more about in future GAC events?** *(open-ended questions; responses verbatim, some editing for grammar)*

- Ecuador and the Amazon, Lake Chad, Cuba, Northern Nigeria, ISIS
- Central America, Mexico
- I find the continuing developments in Russia to be interesting as well as how the entire Middle East is evolving. Not as interesting but it is always helpful to keep up with events in South America which tend to not be front page stories.
- People escaping on boats. World stock markets. U.S. embassies under Clinton.
- China, Fertile Crescent, North Africa, SE Asia
- Middle East, Peru, Brazil, Jordan, Turkey, Island Nations in the Pacific, India and even issues regarding Washington State and Canada.
- China and Japan
- Any that are engaged in war now
- Angola, South Africa, Brazil, Russia, India, China Hot spots.
- Maybe a little more on Pacific Islands or other parts of Asia (besides China, Japan).
- Great Britain & Europe, Central America, Japan
- Cuba
- The Great War in Africa, Foreign trade policies in the Congo and its impact on the environment, Chinese economic trade in Tanzania, Uganda, and South Africa and its significant impact on global economies of scale, American investment in Angolan oil
- The Grand Canal in Nicaragua (Panama's rival), Cuba, local NGOs working here or abroad - how they started, what they do, etc. Anything on farming locally or abroad
- China, India, Cuba.
- Sub-Saharan Africa, Central Asia, Nepal, Iran, Angola, Brazil
- Italy is in a huge state of change, Venezuela, Cuba
- The entire African continent.
- Cuba, Russia, China, Iran, Middle East (Saudi Arabia, Syria, Iraq, Yemen, Oman, UAE, Israel, Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt), ASEAN, East Africa Community. Actually, there are no countries or regions that would not interest me.
- 1. Russia and its challenge now and in the future. 2. In a destabilizing world, can the US "go it alone"? 3. Future prospects for China becoming a global hegemony, and for Sino-US relations.
- Terrorism, Vietnam
- I think I know quite a lot about Cuba, but I am interested in the thaw of relations between the US and Cuba. However, for various reasons, I have not attended GAC events recently.
- Any country or region can be interesting.
- Kenya, Nigeria, Ghana, Ivory Coast (West Africa in general, pretty much), South Sudan, Kurdistan
- Ethiopia, Korea, China Russia, China, India

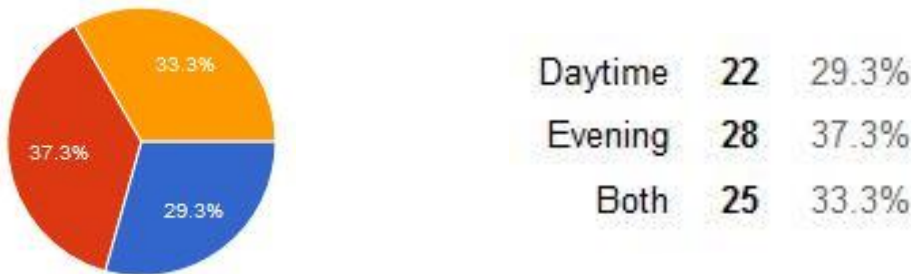
**8. Do you recommend any particular individual(s) or organization to invite to speak at a future GAC event?**

- The speakers from the Jackson School have been excellent.
- Dr. Britt Yamamoto, Executive Director of iLeap (international leadership organization): <http://ileap.org/>
- Maybe League of Women Voters.
- Missy Anderson -local Mason bee keeper/promoter; Kamu Kamu - small NGO working with schools in Uganda;
- Members of Congress or Judiciary
- Economists - human rights attorneys

**9. In the past, we have hosted single speakers, interviews, and panel discussions. What format do you find satisfactory?**



**10. Some of our events are during the day and some in the evening. Which time works for you?**



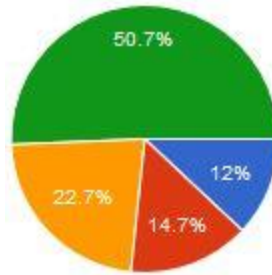
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**11. Choose one that best fits your present status?**

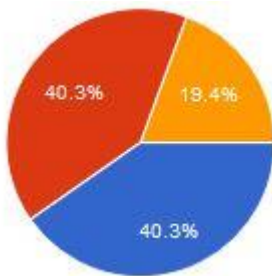


**12. Your age**

Under 25	9	12%
25 - 40	11	14.7%
41 - 60	17	22.7%
Over 60	38	50.7%



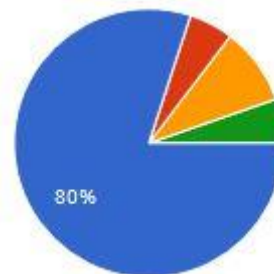
**13. How did you originally hear about the GAC event(s) that you attended?**



Email	27	40.3%
SCC or GAC website	27	40.3%
Other	13	19.4%

**14. How would you prefer to receive news about upcoming GAC events?**

Email	60	80%
Social media (Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr, etc.)	4	5.3%
SCC or GAC website	7	9.3%
Other	4	5.3%



## 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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#### **Director**

Larry is the Director of the Global Affairs Center (GAC) and Adjunct Professor of Political Science specializing in International Relations and Foreign Policy. 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, and has traveled in Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America. Born in Cincinnati, Larry earned his B.A. degree at Miami University (Oxford, Ohio) and his PhD in Political Science at the University of Kentucky (Lexington, Kentucky).

### **Tri Tran**

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.

### **Dung Cao**

Dung is an international student from Vietnam studying business and working towards earning a Global studies certificate at the same time. His goal is to complete a four-year degree specializing in international trade and business. In 2013-2014 he completed the SCC Honors Program, and work in the Marketing Outreach Team for Shoreline. Being involved in various global affairs in academic and working environments has increased his interest in activities and discussions relating to global issues. He is currently building a free language-learning website that he hopes will strengthen multilingualism in the world.

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