

International Studies Newsletter



Fall 2005

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INTERNATIONL STUDIES FALL PICNIC

The annual fall picnic for IS Majors and IS Faculty is scheduled for Saturday, September 24 at **Langan Park**, Pavillions 9 & 10 from noon to afternoon. Please bring a side dish or dessert. Come meet fellow students and faculty.

IS PEOPLE – NEWS & UPDATES

IS Graduate **Laura Price** has begun law school at Ole Miss and has joined the International Law Club.

IS Graduate **Brandice Turner**, a recent graduate of the double major program with Business, recently accepted a position in a pharmaceutical export company located in Gautier, MS, joining IS graduate **Ana Zeiger** at the firm.

IS Graduate **Julia Allen Veil** is currently working for a transportation consulting firm in Mobile and teaching English to a refugee family from Uzbekistan for Catholic Social Services. She will begin graduate school next year in International Journalism.

IS Major **Maurissa George** was accepted to the JET program and is now living and working in Okayama City, Japan. Besides complaining that she did not take enough language courses, she encourages anyone interested in applying for the JET program after graduation to contact her.

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CALENDAR

IS Fall Picnic
Saturday September 24

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IS Forum Film:
“The CORPORATION”

Tuesday, October 11
6:00 pm, Room 210

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IS Forum
**“A Shot in the Dark:
Bush and BMDs”**

Patrick Fuller
Thursday, October 20
6:00 pm, Room 310

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**Study Abroad
Workshop**
Tuesday, November 1,
3:30 Room 212

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Asian Studies Lecture.

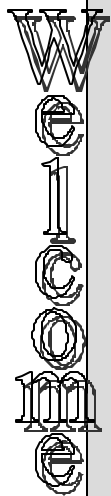
Dr. Lori Watt,
November 17
7:00 pm, Room 150.

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**Mobile International
Festival, Saturday, No-
vember 19 Mobile Civic
Center**

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Foreign Film Series
Thursday 7:00
Library
Auditorium



New IS Majors

George Bowman
James Carr
Teresa Davis
Nicole Jeter
Aaron Meadows
Risa Minami
Leah Polhemus
Skyler Salazar
Evgeniya Samoilova
Beverly Sanders
Barbara Smith
Edmund Steadman
Shelley Turner
Casey Whitehead
Tatsuya Yamazaki
Kumiko Yuyama

Congratulations IS Graduates

(Spring and Summer 2005)

Carina Chaves
Maurissa George
Bill Hennessy
Noriko Kawabata
Trista Lackey
Chris Lovell
Noellie Mankatu
Laura Price
Wes Ross
Monica Tapper
Brandice Turner
Julia Vail
Sandhya Wilhelm
Amir Zuzo

STUDY ABROAD

REPORTS, WORKSHOPS, OPPORTUNITIES

Katie Ward (Caldwell Scholar) reports on summer in Xalapa, México

“Living in Xalapa, Mexico for six weeks was more than just school; it was a life changing experience. In addition to improving my Spanish, I learned life lessons such as humility and having a sense of humor. I had to make several adjustments to my lifestyle and give up a few luxuries that I enjoy in the U.S. In the beginning, the culture shock was almost



unbearable. Even though it was difficult at times, I learned more about life in those six weeks than I could have in years. I learned about the Mexican culture, myself, and how to do more than just ‘get by’ in Spanish” (Caldwell Report, 2005)

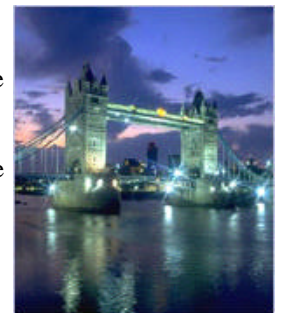
CALDWELL SCHOLARSHIP 2006

Applications for the Caldwell Award (approx. \$2,000 to facilitate participation in a study abroad program) can be made during the Spring Semester. The Caldwell Scholarship is open to any major in the college of Arts and Science with a 3.0 GPA. Preference is given to IS students with little or no experience abroad. More information is available on the web page.

Study Abroad Programs.

London Summer Program

The London Summer Program is offered in cooperation with the University of London King's College by the Cooperative Center for Study Abroad (CCSA), a consortium of American colleges and universities with member schools from Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Texas. The CCSA is headquartered at Northern Kentucky University. Students may choose among courses in various subject fields which are structured to take advantage of the British setting. The Program provides a unique educational and cultural experience involving eminent British guest lecturers, field trips to various places of interest and ample free time for independent travel.



USA Program in Mexico

The University of South Alabama Summer Session in Mexico will be held in Xalapa, Veracruz, Mexico. Students participating in this program will attend the University of Veracruz, School for Foreign Students (UV-EEE). The University of Veracruz, founded in 1944, is considered a leading university in Mexico. Its School for Foreign Students, founded in 1957, promotes the learning of Spanish and Literature; and the knowledge of Mexico as it is today through their Language Study, Cultural Immersion and Home Stay Programs.

Emory University has an exchange program with a Tibetan university in India (Drepung Loseling), and has a full semester study abroad program with that university (some details here: http://www.icis.emory.edu/emorytibet/Emory-Tibet_Brochure.pdf)

The **Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Programme** is operated by local authorities in cooperation with the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Communications; the Ministry of Foreign Affairs; the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology; and the Council of Local Authorities for International Relations (CLAIR). The JET Programme was started with the purpose of increasing mutual understanding between the people of Japan and the people of other nations. It aims to promote internationalisation in Japan's local communities by helping to improve foreign language education and developing international exchange at the community level. <http://www.jetprogramme.org/>

FOR INFORMATION ON THESE AND OTHER PROGRAMS, CONTACT ANA BURGAMY 460-7053

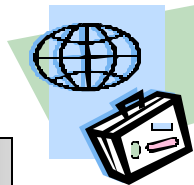
¿INTERNATIONAL STUDIES WITHOUT INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE?

Study Abroad Workshop
Tuesday, November 1, 3:30 pm
Room 212 HUMB

We strongly encourage students to participate in a summer program or semester abroad. There are all types of programs (some sponsored by USA) that provide opportunities, and we will work with you to transfer credit, etc. **STUDYING ABROAD CAN BE A LIFE DEFINING EXPERIENCE.**

The **WORKSHOP** provides information on the how, where, when and what of study abroad programs. There will be students from past programs to share their experiences.

You owe yourself the opportunity to consider an international program.



USA EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

Senior Student Exchange Programs. Worms, Germany. The Mitchell College of Business and the Fachhochschule Des Landes Rheinland-Phlax in Worms, Germany, cooperate in an exchange program for senior students. A maximum of three students may be exchanged each year. Students are exchanged for fall term and study selected courses related to international business with all work transferred back to the student's home institution. Students from the University of South Alabama are required to certify their competence in German upon application.

USA Passau Exchange Programs. Passau, Germany. The USA Passau Student Exchange was initiated in the fall of 1986. The award for the German student at the University of South Alabama includes tuition and fees at USA for up to 12 credit hours for one semester. The USA students in Passau do not have to pay tuition in Germany and receive a contribution to dorm rent.

MBA Studies Exchange Program. Pau, France. The University participates in a student exchange program with the Ecole Superieure de Commerce de Pau. Annually, students from the Ecole are admitted to the MBA program in the College of Business and Management Studies after satisfactory completion of their second year in the Pau program. In turn, USA sends students from the Mitchell College of Business, the School of International Studies and the Foreign Language Department (French) to the Ecole for the semester or summer study.

Scholarships/ Opportunities

- **Caldwell Scholarship (USA).** Established by friends and family of Dr. James Caldwell, this scholarship has helped USA students participate in study abroad programs since 1995. An award of approximately \$2,000, the award is designed to promote international education for USA students. Recipients must use the award to participate in an established study abroad program. Preference is given to IS Majors with little or no foreign experience. Applications are taken during the spring semester and the award is made during a banquet in May. For additional information, see Dr. Morris or the IS web site.
- **The Benjamin A Gilman International Scholarship Program** is a congressionally-funded program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and administered by the Institute of International Education. It aims to broaden the student population that studies abroad by supporting undergraduates who have been traditionally under-represented in U.S. study abroad and those with high financial need. To be eligible students must be receiving a Federal Pell Grant at the time of application and cannot study abroad in a country currently under a U.S. Department of State Travel Warning or in Cuba. For more information, full eligibility criteria and the online application please access the Gilman Program website at www.iie.org/gilman
- **Marshall Scholarship:** Established in 1954, the program provides a minimum of 40 awards annually to US students to study for up to two years in universities in Great Britain. The award covers University fees, cost of living expenses, annual book grant, thesis grant, research and daily travel grants, fares to and from the United States and, where applicable, a contribution towards the support of a dependent spouse. For information <http://www.marshallscholarship.org/>
- **National Security Scholarship Program. David L. Boren Undergraduate Scholarships.** Established by the National Security Education Act of 1991, this is a federally-funded program designed to help equip Americans with an understanding of less commonly taught languages and culture and to build a base for future leaders. For more information, see Ana Burgamy, Dr. Morris, or www.iie.org/nesp.
- **Association of Teachers of Japanese (ATJ) Bridging Scholarships.** This program awards 40 scholarship to American students participating in study-abroad programs in Japan that begin in Spring 2004. Recipients of Bridging Scholarships receive stipends ranging from \$2,500 to \$4,000 depending on the length of their study program in Japan. For more information and downloadable application forms, go to the ATJ web site: www.colorado.edu/ealld/atj/Bridging/scholarship.html or see Ana Burgamy in International Program, AHE 315.

INTERNATIONAL happenings on campus

STUDENT CLUBS

International Studies Club

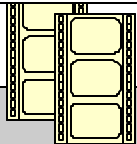
The International Studies Club offers a variety of things to participate in. Last year the club sponsored "Dinner and a Movie" featuring cuisine and films from other countries. To get involved, contact Dr. Morris or Club President Melanie Hart. Look for flyers announcing upcoming meetings & activities of the IS Club. All students are welcome to join.

Model UN Club

The University of South Alabama's MODEL UNITED NATIONS CLUB has become very active in recent years. Last year, the group attended conferences at Florida State in Tallahassee, in Atlanta and St. Louis. Already, the Club is planning on a conference trip to Las Vegas in November and hosting a Model UN for local high schools in the spring. If you would like to become involved, contact Dr. Morris or Model UN Club President Melanie Hart.

Amnesty International

A local chapter of AI is being formed on campus. AI conducts international campaigns to promote human rights. If you are interested in participating, contact Dr. Morris or AI USA Chapter President Justin Uzoije.



Foreign Film Series

7:00 pm in Library Auditorium
Free Admission

Etre et Avoir To Be and To Have (France, 2002)
Thursday, September 22nd Rated: U

La Rosa blanca. The White Rose (Mexico, 1961)
Thursday, October 6th Unrated

Abschied - Brechts letzter Sommer. The Farewell (Germany, 2000)
Thursday, October 13th Rated: PG 13

8 femmes. 8 Women (France, 2002)
Thursday, October 20th Rated R

No se lo digas a nadie. Don't Tell Anyone. (Peru, 1998)
Thursday, November 3rd Rated R

My Son the Fanatic. (Great Britain, 1997)
Thursday, November 10th Rated R.

Khamosh Pani Silent Waters (Pakistan, 2004).
Thursday, December 1st Rated: U

Voditel dlya very A Driver for Vera (Russia/ Ukraine, 2004) Thursday,
December 8th Unrated

Sponsored by Dept of Foreign Languages
and Literatures For more information contact Dr. Brown or Dr. Khan in
Dept of FL&L.

International Studies Forum FILM



"The Corporation"

A film by Mark Achbar, Jennifer Abbott, Joel Bakan

Tuesday, October 11 6:00 pm Room 210

THE CORPORATION explores the nature and spectacular rise of the dominant institution of our time. Footage from pop culture, advertising, TV news, and corporate propaganda, illuminates the corporation's grip on our lives. Taking its legal status as a "person" to its logical conclusion, the film puts the corporation on the psychiatrist's couch to ask "What kind of person is it?" Provoking, witty, sweepingly informative, The Corporation includes forty interviews with corporate insiders and critics - including Milton Friedman, Noam Chomsky, Naomi Klein, and Michael Moore - plus true confessions, case studies and strategies for change.

Winner of 24 INTERNATIONAL
AWARDS

"This is huge fun!"
The Financial Times

International Studies Forum

"A Shot in the Dark: Bush and BMDs"



Patrick Fuller
Dept of Political Science/CJ
Thursday, October 20, 6:00 pm
Room 310 HUMB

Presentation on the history of the "Star Wars" initiative and Bush's drive to develop a ballistic missile defense system for the country.

ASIAN STUDIES LECTURE

Dr. Lori Watt, Washington University, St. Louis, will talk about the repatriation of Japanese nationals after WWII. November 17, 7:00, HUMB 150.

IS PEOPLE — NEWS & UPDATES, CONTINUED...

IS Major **Justin Uzoije** spent his second summer in the Xalapa program

IS Major **Anna Currie** is taking Spanish courses and doing an internship with an NGO in Costa Rica this semester.

IS Major **Steven Chhem** received a grant of \$7,000 from the **Freeman-Asia Scholarship Program** to study in China this semester.

IS Major **Ashley Ripple** is doing an internship this semester with the District Attorney's office in Mobile.

IS Major & Caldwell Scholar **Katie Ward** has received an internship for the spring semester with Goodrich Corporation Alabama Service Center in Foley in their international division.

IS Graduate & Caldwell Scholar **Vicki Fulton** is awaiting clearance to work in the Peace Corps in Community Development in Latin America. In the meantime, she is working as a volunteer for Catholic Social Services doing ESL tutoring and other organizations.

IS Graduate and Caldwell Scholar

Emily Horton reports from the Peace Corps in Paraguay...

I am living in Arroyo Claro located in the department of Itapua in Paraguay. I work in the environment sector teaching environmental education within the schools and community...as well as doing secondary projects such as teaching keyboard, guitar, English and nutrition classes. I live in an area riddled with land issues. *Campesinos*, many who claim to not have land, are always invading the fragile reserve located next to my community. The reserve is protecting one of the last remaining fragments of the Atlantic Forest of Alto Parana. Indigenous groups still live within this reserve...sadly attempting to maintain their rapidly deteriorating former lifestyle. I have the opportunity to take day trips into the reserve to meet and talk with the Mbya chief. I am also working as an editor on our P.C. volunteer publication/magazine. I have been living in Paraguay for 10 months now. And while I am losing my English skills I am gaining priceless insights and experiences I will forever carry. It is extremely difficult working in a developing country...but I think all Americans should get a decent taste of the realities of the REAL world out there....

not our little bubble...
cellophane packaged world.



IS Graduate Jonathan Hursh Reports from China

I have just passed the two year mark in Beijing and I plan to stay in Asia for another 2-3 years until returning to obtain a Masters. Just wanted to let you know again to feel free to put anyone in touch with me before you ship them off to China. I know that the cost of a study abroad program is quite high for many who otherwise would want to come but there are other ways to substantially reduce the cost by doing it themselves with a little direction from those of us here. There are only about 3 universities and 1 private school that most foreigners attend for language study and they are in the same area. The tuition is quite reasonable. We can also give them information about housing if we know far enough in advance. I feel that Beijing is one of the most exciting cities in the world to live in at the moment because of various historical aspects, and in a sense, with the type of occupation I am in, it is a chance to be part of the nation-building process. This gives me great fulfillment.

IS Courses for Spring 2005

Special Courses

IS 200 People/Nations: Canada – TR 9:30 – Dr. Fisher
 IS 200 People/Nations: Tibetan Culture & Soc – TR 3:30 – Dorjee
 IS 492 Seminar: International Terrorism – TR 2:00 – Fornaro
 PHL 492 Sem: Indian Buddhist Philosophy -- MW 2:30 – Dorjee
 PSC 470 Adv. Studies in International Relations – S 9:00 – Husain
 REL 390 Sp Top: Islam Past & Present – M 6:00 – Kendrick

ALSO

GEO 312 World Econ Geog (W) — MWF 8:00 — Rivizzigno
 HY 246 USSR & Russia — MWF 9:05 — Kozelsky
 HY 321 Caribbean — TR 12:30 — Brown
 HY 333 Gr. Brit. Since 1815 — TR 11:00 — Hannum
 HY 368 Japan — MWF 12:20 & R 6:00 — Miller
 HY 429 Stud in LA History — T 6:00 — Brown
 HY 457 Stud in European History — M 6:00 — Monheit
 LG 327 Adv French Conv (W) — MWF 9:05 — McCready
 LG 334 Adv Spanish Grammar-Comp (W) — MWF 10:00 — Brown
 LG 335 Commercial-Technical Spanish — TR 6:00 — Perez-Pineda
 LG 363 Mod-Cont German Cult-Lit — MW 1:25 — Jones
 LG 375 Adv Russian Conv. — TR 3:30 — Tereshchuk
 LG 376 Adv Russian Comp — TR 2:00 — Mozur
 LG 431 Hispanic Civilization — MW 1:25 — Khan
 LG 433 Rdgs in Spanish Lit of 20th C — TR 9:30 — Perez-Pineda
 PSC 250 Comparative Pol — MWF 9:05 — Morris
 PSC 251 World Leaders — TR 2:00 — Fuller
 PSC 270 International Relations — R 6:00 — Fuller
 PSC 360 Politics of Europe — TR 2:00 — Kressley
 PSC 364 Politics of Africa — R 6:00 — Husain
 PSC 368 Politics of South Asia — T 6:00 — Husain



FACULTY AFFILIATE IN INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Dr. Isabel Z. Brown, Foreign Languages (Latin America)
 Dr. Richmond Brown, History (Latin America)
 Dr. Philippe Chavasse, Foreign Languages (Europe)
 Dr. Larry Dilsaver, Geography (Europe)
 Dr. Robert Houston, History (International Relations)
 Dr. Zohair Husain, Political Science (Asia, Int. Relations)
 Dr. Calvin Jones, Foreign Languages (Europe)
 Dr. Zoya Khan, Foreign Languages (Latin America)
 Dr. Mara **Kozelsky**, History (Europe)
 Dr. Konrad Kressley, Political Science (Europe)
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 Dr. Susan McCready, Foreign Languages (Europe)
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 Dr. Joe Mozur, Foreign Languages (Europe)
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 Dr. Bernie Quinn, Foreign Languages (Europe)
 Dr. Victoria Rivizzigno, Geography (International Studies)
 Dr. Harry Roddy, Foreign Languages (Europe)
 Dr. Daniel Rogers, History (Europe)
 Dr. Roy Ryder, Geography (Latin America)
 Dr. James Swofford, Economics (International Economics)
 Ms Denise Tucker, Foreign Languages (Latin America/)

Welcome

New International Studies Faculty

- **Dr. Philipe Chavasse** has joined the French section of FLL. Dr. Chavasse has a Ph.D. is from the University of Oregon. His research centers on Nineteenth and Twentieth Century French and Francophone Literatures; French Civilization; French Cinema; the Fantastic; Naturalism; Gender Studies; Racism; Nationalism
- **Dr. Harry Roddy**, Ph.D. from the University of Texas, is the new Asst. Prof. in the German section of FLL. His research interests include Twentieth Century German Literature; Film Studies; Expressionist and Postwar Lyric Poetry; Rolf Dieter Brinkmann.
- **Denise Tucker**, Instructor in Spanish, has her Master's from Mississippi State and has taught at Spring Hill and other colleges.
- **Dr. Mara Kozelsky** has joined the Dept of History. Dr. Kozelsky has a Ph.D. in Modern European History from the University of Rochester with a specialization in Russia. Her doctoral dissertation was entitled "Christianizing Crimea: Church Scholarship, 'Russian Athos,' and Religious Patriotism of the Crimean War."



**22st Annual
 November 18-20**

USA has a booth. If you are interested in helping work the event, please contact Terri Wilbanks, Dept of Foreign Languages & Literature or Dr. Morris. www.mobileinternationalfestival.org

**ATTENTION:
 Graduating Seniors**

Please complete the IS SENIOR Survey before leaving us! It will help us assess the program and make