

International Programs Events and Activities

2004-2005

Visit by Ambassador to the U.S. from Kyrgyzstan, July 2005

Her Excellency, Ambassador Zamira Sydykova, ambassador from Kyrgyzstan to the United States, visited The University of Montana from July 14-19.

Visitor from Mayor University, Chile, June 2005

Rene Lara, Director of International Relations, from Mayor University in Chile visited UM and signed an official exchange agreement between UM and Mayor University.

NAFSA 2005 Annual Conference in Seattle, Washington, May 2005

Mehrdad Kia, Barb Seekins, Marja Unkuri-Chaudhry and Brian Lofink represented IP at the conference. In addition, 22 Pakistan Teacher Education and Professional Development Program participants attended the conference.

Pakistan Teacher Education and Professional Development Program

May - August 2005: 22 Science teacher trainers

The program is co-sponsored by USAID and the International Programs.

Visitors from Khon Kaen University, Thailand, May 2005

Professor Sumon Sakolchai, President, and Professor Peerasit Kamnuansilpa, Dean of the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences signed a memorandum of understanding while visiting UM.

Visitors from Tbilisi Institute of Asia and Africa, Republic of Georgia, May 2005

Prof. Dr. Guram Chikovani, Rector and President, Professor Marina Tkhinvaleli, Professor of Arabic Language and Literature, and Professor David Abesadze, Visiting Fellow, George Washington University

Visitor from Northwest University for Nationalities, Tibet, April-May 2005

Professor Guru Kyi, professor of mathematics, gave several presentations on campus including Tibetan Cultural Heritage - Stupas, Tangkas, etc. on May 3 from noon-1:00 in the Mansfield Center Seminar Room.

UM Delegation to Tajikistan, April-May 2005

A UM delegation visited several universities in Tajikistan. The delegation was lead by President George Dennison and included Vice President Daniel Dwyer, Dean Jerry Fetz, Ambassador Mark Johnson, Professor Mehrdad Kia, Heather Almquist and Otto Koester.

International Brown Bag Lecture Series, February - April, 2005

Presentations given twice a month by faculty on international topics and projects. View [schedule](#)

Montana-Ireland Conference, April 25-26, 2005

A delegation from University College Cork visited UM and participated in a conference. On

Monday, April 25 at 3:00 pm in the Dell Brown Room, Turner Hall there there was a roundtable discussion titled "Into the West, Looking Homeward: Cork and Montana in the Age of Globalization." There was a keynote address called "Blunt Instruments of Conquest: Irish Outlanders in Montana " given by David Emmons at the UC Theater at 7:00 pm. On Tuesday, April 26 there was another 3:00 roundtable discussion in the Dell Brown Room called "The Celtic Tiger Meets the Wild West: Forging Business Partnerships." At 7:00 pm, the keynote address was given by University College Cork President Gerard T. Wrixon at the UC Theater. [View Schedule.](#)

Model Arab League Conference, April 7-9, 2005

The 10th Annual Northern Rockies Model Arab League co-sponsored by the National Council on U.S.-Arab Relations and the International Programs.

Ambassadorial Roundtables, April 8 and 9, 2005

The University of Montana hosted two roundtable discussions featuring Ambassadors Khamrokhon Zaripov of Tajikistan and Baktybek Abdrisaev of Kyrgyzstan . They were joined by John Fox, Director of Caucasus and Central Asian Affairs in the Bureau of Europe and Eurasian Affairs in the U.S. Department of State. The first roundtable was Friday, April 8 at 7:00 pm in the UC Theater. The second roundtable was on Saturday, April 9 from 10:00 am to noon in the UC North Ballroom.

Pre-departure Orientation for Study Abroad Students, April 5 & 14, 2005

A workshop held each semester to prepare students who will be studying abroad on UM's study abroad programs. Topics covered include: health and safety, visa issues, credit transfer, and cultural adjustment. The workshop is organized and led by Marja Unkuri-Chaudhry.

International Week, March 7-13, 2005

A week of lectures, films, presentations and performances held annually and aimed at internationalizing campus.

Visitor from Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Japan, February 2005

Ms. Kirsten Murray, Academic Office, International Division

International Center Holiday Open House, December 2004

An open house hosted for the campus community and IP-sponsored students and scholars.

Multicultural Training & Global Career Conference, November 2004

A two-day conference held in conjunction with International Education Week. The conference was co-sponsored by IP and the Mansfield Center.

International Education Week, November 2004

A week of lectures, films, presentations and performances held annually, which focuses on one region of the world. The theme was Africa.

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Visitor from University College Cork, Ireland, November 2004

Michael O'Sullivan, Vice President for Planning, Communication, and Development

Visit by Toyo University Delegation, November 2004

The delegation included Tomonori Matsuo, President of Toyo University and Professor Department of Regional Development Studies, Haruyoshi Udagawa , Director of Center for International Programs and Professor Department of English Communication, Takashi Ohshima, Director of Academic Affairs and Prof. Department of Social Psychology, Hisato Nakamura, Professor Department of Management, Katsutoshi Ohta, Professor Department of Regional Development Studies. During the visit, presentations were given by each member of the delegation as well as by UM faculty members from various corresponding departments.

Visit by International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) France Delegation, October 2004

Cedric Guern, Université de Caen, Brigitte Felix, Université du Maine, Anne Claude Calvelli, Université de Savoie, Marie Pierre Kerneur, Université Du Havre, and Michel Darmon , Université d'Angers (ISEP France President)

International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) Conference, Washington, D.C. , October 2004

Marja Unkuri-Chaudhry, Assistant Director for Study Abroad, gave a presentation at the conference.

Trip to Japan and Korea, October 2004

Bob Hausmann, Director of English Language Institute, and Nancy Gass , Administrative Assistant to the Directors of International Programs and English Language Institute, visited universities in Japan and Korea .

Visitor from Nuertingen University, Germany, October 2004

Prof. Dr. Richard G. Wilcox, Prof. of International Management, Director of International Programs

Visitor from University College Cork, Ireland, October 2004

Louise Tobin, Director, International Programs

Visitor from Open Society Institute, New York, September 2004

Ann Campbell, Program Manager with Network Scholarship Programs

UM - Toyo Symposium on Bio-Nano Technology and Sciences, September 2004

UM hosted the symposium which featured presentations by scientists from various countries

Visit by Tajik Ambassador, September 2004

Ambassador Khamrokhon Zaripov, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Republic

of Tajikistan to the United States presented a lecture entitled Tajikistan at the Crossroads: the Struggles of an Ancient Nation & People

Visitor from Potsdam University, Germany, September 2004

Dr. Harald Fuhr, Vice President and Professor, International Political Sciences

Visitor from Université Paul Valéry, France, September 2004

Dr. Alain Blayac, Director of International Relations

Re-Entry Meeting, September 2004

An event held for all returned study abroad students to share their experiences with other students who have been abroad, get support in difficulties with re-adjusting to life in the U.S. , and learn about how they can put their overseas experience to work.

Study Abroad Fair, September 2004, February 2005

An event held twice annually in the UC atrium for students to get information about study abroad opportunities offered at UM.

International Brown Bag Lecture Series, September, 2004- April, 2005

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Training of Scholar from Kazakh National Technical University, Kazakhstan, Fall 2004

Pakistan Teacher Education and Professional Development Program

September - December 2004: 15 English teachers

The program is co-sponsored by USAID and the International Programs.

American Studies Training, Fall 2004

Training of two Georgian Scholars from Tbilisi Institute of Asia & Africa and Kutaisi State University sponsored by a U.S. Department of State Freedom Support Grant.

Visitors from Mukogawa Women's University, Japan , August 2004

Dr. Fumihiko Mori , Coordinator of International Exchange Office and Dr. Yasuo Hayashi, Chief Manager of International Exchange Office