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Distinguished UM Professor to Kick Off International Week and the International Lecture Series with Keynote Address

By Marc Hendrix, Professor, Geology and Chair, International Committee

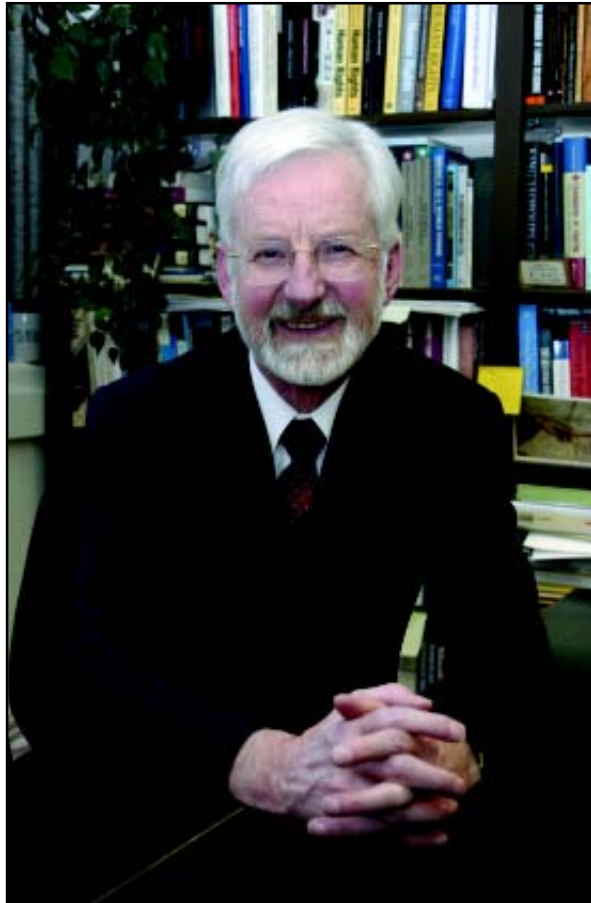
Paul Gordon Lauren, Regents Professor of History at The University of Montana and among the most internationally distinguished of UM faculty, will formally kick off this year's celebration of International Week and the International Lecture Series with a keynote address on human rights and international diplomacy on Thursday, March 8 at 7:00 PM in the University Center North Ballroom.

Dr. Lauren earned his Ph.D. in History from Stanford University in 1973 and has been a UM faculty member since 1974. He is a prolific writer on the topics of diplomacy, human rights, and world politics and has authored ten books on the subject, one of which was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. Dr. Lauren's books have been translated into six different languages. Professor Lauren has delivered invited addresses at The Smithsonian Institution and before the United Nations, where he has been described as the world's leading authority on the history of international human rights. He has lectured widely in Europe, North America, Asia, the Pacific, and the Middle East. Dr. Lauren has been the recipient of numerous distinguished international awards and honors that include a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, a Rockefeller Foundation Humanities Fellowship, a National Peace Fellowship, a Senior Fulbright Fellowship, a Distinguished Fulbright Lectureship, a Paul Harris Fellowship by Rotary International, and the 2001 Governor's Humanities Award.

Here on the UM campus, Professor Lauren has for decades inspired UM students and served as a campus leader for both faculty and

administration. Dr. Lauren was instrumental in the establishment of the Mansfield Center where he served as the Center's Founding Director and Professor of Ethics and Public Affairs. As an indication of the value placed on Professor Lauren's scholarship and student mentorship, he was awarded both the Distinguished Scholar Award and the Most Inspirational Teacher Award by the university. He also received the Montana "Professor of the Year" Award by the Carnegie Foundation and US Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

Dr. Lauren's keynote address on March 8 will mark the beginning of the International Week celebration, as well as the International Lecture Series, and promises to be thoughtful, inspirational, and timely in the context of current international events.



Paul Lauren, Regents Professor of History at UM, will give a keynote address on human rights and international diplomacy to kick off International Week and the International Lecture Series.

Professor Lauren's keynote address will be held on Thursday, March 8 at 7:00 PM at the University Center North Ballroom. The presentation is free and open to the public.

Natural Resources Internationally

By Perry J. Brown, Dean, College of Forestry and Conservation

International activity has long been a part of the College of Forestry and Conservation, but over the past decade international activity has increased considerably. About 70% of the current faculty members and many of our graduate students have substantive international experience doing research, training, and education across the globe. While they have worked in many countries, over the past few years they have focused attention on some particular places.



Professor Ron Wakimoto in Bhutan.

Before describing a few of the projects that involve our faculty and students, I want to describe two educational enterprises that have been prominent in the University's portfolio. One signature program is the International Resource Management Program coordinated by Professor Steve Siebert. Graduate students in this program combine on campus activities with an international assignment. At any one time there are about 15 students enrolled in the program and their international assignments collectively cover the globe. This program has been integral in making UM the 6th highest producer of Peace Corps volunteers among mid-sized universities. A second, but newer program is the American Universities International Program study abroad organized by Associate Professor Bill Borrie in cooperation with the University of Georgia. Students participating in this program choose among field oriented educational opportunities in Australia, Fiji, and New Zealand.

Over the past decade several CFC faculty members and students have focused attention on Southern Africa, working with colleagues at the universities of Kwa-Zulu Natal and Pretoria, and conservation organizations in South Africa, Botswana, Namibia, and Mozambique. Activities have dealt with protected area management, wildlife conservation, and integrated forest protection (insects, disease, and wildfire). The largest of these projects is the Tree House Project which has focused on the social issues of national parks, especially the world famous Kruger National Park. This project has involved Professors Wayne Freimund and Steve McCool, Associate Professor Mike

Patterson, Dean Perry Brown, and several CFC graduate students in addition to colleagues from the USDA Forest Service, the University of Kwa-Zulu Natal, and South African National Parks. Other faculty members with graduate students currently working in Southern Africa are Diana Six and Dan Pletscher.

Beginning in 2004 CFC faculty members began helping the Himalayan country of Bhutan establish a forestry institute to provide forestry and protected area education, training, and research. Associate Dean Jim Burchfield made the first visit to establish a partnership and he has been followed by professors Ron Wakimoto (wildland fire), Jill Belsky (NR sociology and tourism), Steve Siebert (tropical ecology), Scott Mills (wildlife), and Dan Pletscher (wildlife). These faculty members have consulted on curriculum development and offered training for Bhutanese natural resource practitioners. In addition, this activity has opened a door for graduate students from Bhutan to study at UM. The first of these students, Kinley Tshering, recently finished a master's degree with Professor Wakimoto and now is responsible for developing the first wildfire management plan for his country.

Over the past decade CFC faculty members have been engaged in wildlife and grasslands research in Central Asia with particular focus on conservation issues of Western China, Mongolia, Pakistan, and Afghanistan. The entry into Afghanistan is the most recent addition to this portfolio of work and involves Professor Don Bedunah assessing grazing issues in the Wakhan Corridor, the mountainous sliver of Afghanistan bordering Tajikistan, Pakistan, and China.

Another signature activity for the College has been the work of Professor Paul Alaback and Associate Dean Jim Burchfield in South America's Patagonia region and the work of other faculty members such as Woodam Chung, John Goodburn, and Jill Belsky on other forested lands of Chile. Through cooperation with the universities of Austral and Concepcion in Chile and the National University of Comahue in Argentina, ecological, silvicultural, sociological, and forest operations work has progressed over the years. Several Chilean graduate students have earned degrees at UM and now form a core of colleagues in this ecologically diverse part of the world. And through the field experiences offered by professors Alaback (CFC) and Brewer (DBS) a large number of UM students have experienced the diverse environments of Patagonia.



Participants in the training on forest fire ecology in Bhutan.

Regional and world scale activities also characterize the international work of the College of Forestry and Conservation. Most prominent are the internationally renowned climate change and terrestrial productivity research of Professor Steve Running and the remote sensing and wildfire research and development of Professor Lloyd Queen. Adding to their work is the prominence CFC has in international organizations such as the International Union of Forest Research Organizations and the periodic World Wilderness and World Parks congresses.

Our engagement in international activities finds its way into our educational and research programs in many ways and it has enhanced nearly all that we do in the college. Building on the work the College does domestically and on the variety of activities we have internationally, we feel quite comfortable in proclaiming that the College of Forestry and Conservation is World Class in the Rockies.

"From the Andes to the Amazons": A Collaborative International Tropical Ecology Course in Peru

By Erick Greene, Associate Dean and Alejandra Trillo, Ph.D. Student, Division of Biological Sciences
and Andrew Whiteley, Post Doctoral Fellow, University of Alaska

We have recently established a tropical biology course at The University of Montana. The main goal of our course is to teach tropical biology and conservation in a rigorous field setting to an equal mixture of students from the United States and Peru. Combining students from these backgrounds provides a unique learning environment, where students learn from each other's educational and cultural experiences. It is our hope that teaching students how to work with people from another culture and in another language will provide them with a foundation for future international educational experiences and collaborations. To our knowledge, this course is the only of its kind to include an equal mix of undergraduate students from the United States and students of the hosting country side by side in an intensive field setting.

In the summer of 2005, we ran a one-month pilot course with eight students, four from The University of Montana, four from the University of La Molina in Lima, Peru and visited research stations that encompassed both Andean and Tropical life zones. During this short intensive immersion course, we focused on the surrounding flora and fauna through a series of field lectures and workshops on experimental design, statistics, tropical community ecology, and biodiversity. These workshops and lectures were led by the three principal instructors and also by guest researchers working at the host research stations. This pilot course was a success, as attested to by the quality of the student independent projects and comments from researchers at the host research stations and from our own students. The learning environment created by including students from both Peru and the United States, with the different knowledge and experiences they brought to the course, was highly conducive to learning about tropical biology and pressing conservation issues in a highly relevant manner.

An important result of this Tropical Biology course was the development of an international collaboration between The University of Montana and the Universidad Nacional Agraria, La Molina in Peru. In 2006, both universities signed a Memorandum of Understanding to officially recognize their educational partnership. This international collaboration is gaining momentum and UM will be hosting Professor Pedro Vasquez from the Universidad Nacional Agraria in April 2007. During his visit, Professor Vasquez will give a series of presentations to the UM community and will also help develop a more inclusive set of the cooperative educational and research agreements between The University of Montana and the Universidad Nacional Agraria. This will give The University of Montana an opportunity to expand the involvement with Peruvian colleagues via faculty exchanges, research collaborations and faculty development courses.

After our initial pilot season, we are very optimistic about the future success of this course and this model for tropical biology field courses. Our hope is to be able to maintain this Tropical Biology course running every summer and increase the scope of the international partnerships between the Universidad Nacional Agraria and The University of Montana.



The Tropical Ecology course includes an equal mix of undergraduate students from the United States and from Peru side by side in an intensive field setting.

UM to Sign Agreement with the Berlin School of Economics

By Klaus Uhlenbruck, Associate Professor, Management

The School of Business Administration and International Programs are in the process of finalizing an exchange agreement with the Berlin School of Economics (BSE / Fachhochschule für Wirtschaft Berlin). This relationship has been years in the making with visits of representatives from both schools to either place. The expected official signing ceremony will be during a visit of BSE's provost, Dr. Michael Tolksdorf, here at UM this June. This will only be the second exchange agreement between UM and a German university, the other being with the University of Potsdam. While most courses and programs at BSE focus on business and management, BSE also offers a bachelors and masters degree in economics.

BSE is one of the largest German business schools with almost 5,000 students, 145 full-time professors, more than 300 lecturers and an extensive range of study programs (bachelors and masters), including several MBA programs, 20 business majors, a graduate and an undergraduate program in environmental management, and a unique

"Women and the Economy" program. Many of the classes at BSE are taught in English and introductory German language courses are offered for free to exchange students. Undergraduate summer programs, for instance on "Markets and Management in Europe", are also available. UM students can attend BSE on summer, semester or full-year exchanges. Business internships and German government-sponsored scholarships for students from the United States are available.

Of course, Berlin is Germany's old and new capital and the location for significant political and economic developments in Germany and Europe. With its 16 universities, 3 operas, 15 theatres, 300 libraries and about 100 museums, Berlin is also one of Europe's leading scientific and cultural centers.

IP and SOBA are looking forward to a fruitful cooperation with the Berlin School of Economics and to the opportunities it creates for our students.

International Programs

2006 Events and Activities

Record Number of International Students Enroll at The English Language Institute, January 2006

In January 2006, there were 83 Saudi students enrolled at ELI. In addition, ELI's student population for Spring 2006 semester included students from Kazakhstan here on the Bolashak program, students from Andong National University, Korea here on a short-term program as well as students from Japan, Malaysia, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan.

Exchange agreement signed with Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, January 2006

Visit by Dr. Miroslav Polasek, Vice-Dean of International Activities, School of Pharmacy, Charles University, Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic, January 2006

Azerbaijani Educators Training Program, January-May 2006

The International Programs and the School of Education ran a training program for 6 Azerbaijanis from Ministry of Education.

Spring 2006 Study Abroad Fair, February 1, 2006

UM's Spring 2006 Study Abroad Fair was held in the UC Atrium on Wednesday, February 1.

UM Delegation to New Zealand, February 2006

A delegation lead by President George Dennison visited Victoria University of Wellington and Massey University in Palmerston North.

International Week 2006, March 12-17

A week of lectures, films, presentations and performances held annually.

UM Delegation to Italy, March 2006

Professor Ed Rosenberg and Professor Richard Drake visited University of Torino, University Amedeo Avogadro and University of Sienna.

Kyrgyz Legal Training: Osh State University, March-May 2006

Two Osh State Faculty visited UM for training at the UM Law School. The program has been organized and supervised by Professor Jeff Renz from the UM Law School.

Memorandum of Understanding signed with Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina, Lima, Peru, March 2006

Visit by Dr. Kirk Masden, Head, Department of International Economics, Kumamoto Gakuen University, March 2006

World Bank Project Award, March 2006

IP was awarded a major World Bank project to work with Kyrgyzstan's Ministry of Education. IP is collaborating with the School of Education on implementing this project.

Visit by Dr. Jan Jirak, Vice Dean, Department of Social Sciences, and Professor of Journalism, and Dr. Lenka Slavikova, Head, Educational Management Center, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic, April 2006

Pre-departure Orientation for Study Abroad Students, April 2006

A workshop held twice annually 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 Brown Bag Lecture Series, February - April 2006

Presentations given twice a month by faculty on international topics and projects. All presentations are held in the Mansfield Center seminar room and are free and open to the public.

Exchange agreement signed with Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Beppu, Japan, April 2006

Exchange agreement signed with Seijo University, Tokyo, Japan, April 2006

The Fourth Annual Central Asia Conference: A Policy Dialogue, April 20-22, 2006

From April 20 to 22 UM hosted the fourth annual international conference on Central and Southwest Asia.

Visit by Her Excellency, Mary McAleese, President of Ireland, May 16, 2006

President McAleese visited The University of Montana on Tuesday, May 16. During her visit she helped launch UM's new Irish Studies Program. She gave a public address at the University Theater.

UM Delegation to Tajikistan, May 26-June 9, 2006

A UM delegation including Professors Rick Graetz, Jeff Gritzner, Sarah Halvorson and Ardi Kia from the Geography Department as well as Yvonne Gritzner from the Montana Committee for the Humanities and photojournalist Susie Graetz, visited Tajikistan from May 26 to June 9. The trip included visits to UM's three partner universities: Kurghon Teppa University, State University of Kulob and Tajik State National University.

UM Delegation to Italy, June 26-July 1, 2006

Dr. Jerry Fetz, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Dr. Mehrdad Kia, Director of the International Programs, visited several universities in Italy including Università degli Studi del Piemonte Orientale "Amedeo Avogadro", Università degli Studi di Torino, and Università degli Studi di Siena. An agreement was signed between UM and Torino during the visit. Plans for an agreement with Siena were also discussed.

Egyptian Education Supervisors Training Program, June 17-July 1, August 5-19, 2006

The International Programs, in collaboration with the School of Education, provided approximately 56 middle level education supervisors from Egypt with two-week opportunities to observe and study different models and practices of a decentralized standards-based supervision and appraisal system in the United States. The project was a USAID Grant from the Academy for Educational Development (AED).

English Language Programs: Summer Language Programs for May-August 2006

English Language Programs held the following programs during the summer of 2006:

- Korea National University of Education Teacher Training Institute
- Kumamoto Gakuen University NGO Shadow Program (Japan)
- Meisei Language and Culture Program (Japan)
- Sookmyung Women's University English Language and NGO Program (Korea)
- Toyo University Language and Culture Program (Japan)

Visit by American Council on Education Fellow, September 2006

Professor Peter Omara-Ojungu, Dean of Natural and Applied Sciences at University of Venda for Science and Technology in South Africa visited UM for one month.

Music of Bhutan, September 18, 2006

Jigme Drukpa, a leading vocalist in Bhutan's Zhungdra and Boedra traditions performed at UM. With lute, dulcimer, song and stories, Jigme illuminates the roots of Bhutanese culture.

UM Delegation to Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan, September 2006

A UM Delegation visited several universities throughout Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan. The delegation included Dr. Mehrdad Kia, Director of International Programs, Dr. Ardi Kia, Professor of Geography, Jeff Renz, Professor, School of Law, and Otto Koester, Director of Grantwriting and Project Development.

UM Delegation to Holland, Russia, and Czech Republic, October 2006

President Dennison, Dr. David Forbes, Dean of College of Health Professions and Biomedical Sciences, and Dr. Mehrdad Kia, Director of International Programs visited several universities including the University of Leiden, Moscow State University, and Charles University. In Moscow, Professor Leonid Kalachev joined the delegation. An agreement was signed with Charles University. In Prague, Sharon Alexander, Dean of Continuing Education, and Jerry Brown, Dean of Journalism, joined the delegation.

UM Delegation to Cork, Ireland, October 2006

A UM delegation visited UM's partner university, University College Cork for a four day conference. The delegation included Dr. Jerry Fetz, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Klaus Uhlenbruck, Associate Professor of Business Administration, Mary Ellen Campbell, Professor of Business Administration, Dennis O'Donnell, Professor of Economics, Traolach O'Riordain, Adjunct Assistant Professor of Irish Studies, Kathleen Kane, Associate Professor of English & Irish Studies, Eric Reimer, Assistant Professor of English & Irish Studies, Leonid Kalachev, Professor of Mathematical Sciences, Greg Johnson, Drama and Dance Department, Geoff Sutton, Montana World Trade Centre, and Terri Elander, Missoula Children's Theatre.

UM Delegation to Potsdam, Germany, October 2006

A UM Delegation headed by Dean Jerry Fetz visited the University of Potsdam, UM's partner university. The delegation included members of the Modern and Classical Languages and Literatures Department, Professors Elizabeth Ametsbichler and Hiltrud Arens, as well as Professor Klaus Uhlenbruck, from the School of Business. Professor Lynne Koester of the Department of Psychology, who is conducting research in Germany, also joined the delegation.

Central Asia Conference, October 2006

The conference focused on the reintroduction of the history and civilization of the peoples of Central Asia. This conference concentrated on Tajikistan and the Tajik people of Central and South Asia.

Visit by Dr. Guram Chikovani, Rector of the Tbilisi Institute of Asia & Africa, Republic of Georgia, October 2006**International Education Week at UM, November 13 - 17, 2006**

A week of lectures, films, presentations and performances held annually.

Faculty Exchange Report: Visit to the Republic of Georgia

By Christiane von Reichert, Associate Professor, Geography

The University of Montana has well-established linkages with two partner institutions in the Republic of Georgia: the Tbilisi Institute of Asia and Africa (TIAA) and the Akaki Tsereteli State University in Kutaisi (KATSU). Quite regularly, UM faculty visit Georgia to offer courses or conduct research, and TIAA or KATSU faculty spend time at the UM as visiting scholars. Additionally, Georgian and American students regularly participate in exchanges.

For Fall 2006, I received a Visiting Scholar Award, and I spent early August to early November in Georgia and the Caucasus region. In the first few weeks of my stay—while universities were closed—I had the opportunity to travel to different parts of Georgia. Then I offered intensive workshops on Teaching Geography and I gave numerous guest lectures both at TIAA and KATSU. I also was asked to visit and teach at high schools. The goal of the workshops and guest lectures was to promote and demonstrate active-learning strategies and provide Geography instructors and teachers with ideas and materials to incorporate active-learning elements in their own teaching. Toward the end of my stay, I represented The University of Montana at the Conference on Georgian-American Relations in Kutaisi at which I also gave a research presentation on U.S. population dynamics.

Spending a good deal of time in Georgia is an incredible experience. Georgia can look back onto a long history of human settlement—the first human remains outside of Africa were found in Georgia; Georgia has been called the Cradle of Wine—with wine making going back 7000 or 8000 years; it is the land of the Golden Fleece—known for beautiful golden goblets and jewelry as old as 3500 years; it was the second country to adopt Christianity—after Armenia. Georgians consider the 11th to 13th century to be their Golden Age. Following that, while Georgia was overrun and dominated by larger political powers, Georgians have maintained a strong sense of identity, their unique language, and distinctive traditions.

This long history and rich Georgian culture is not always apparent to visitors to Georgia today. Before becoming an independent country in 1991, Georgia had been controlled by Russia for nearly 200 years. Georgia once was one of the most prosperous Soviet republics while it is now one of the poorest post-Soviet countries. Many Georgians today suffer considerable hardship, and many people only make it because family members support each other with money, food, and shelter. The daily struggle of many Georgians often escapes the casual visitor, especially those who stay in up-scale hotels and dine in first-class restaurants. Others, who stay in locally-owned places may feel inconvenienced by periodic water and power outages.

I can only admire the spirit of Georgians in general and the Georgian faculty that I met at TIAA and Kutaisi. Their resources are so limited and their efforts are hindered by scarce equipment, materials, and other resources used for teaching and research.

What makes a stay in Georgia incredible are the Georgian people: their spirit is strong under adverse conditions. Yet, even during difficult times, they are friendly, helpful and hospitable—almost to the extreme. The food is rich and tasty. The polyphonic music and high-energy dances make for unforgettable experiences. And then there is the landscape. For a country that is only one fifth the size of Montana, the Georgian landscape is remarkably diverse: from the high, snow-capped peaks of the Greater Caucasus to the semi-arid regions near



Top: Tbilisi Institute of Asia and Africa (TIAA) students and instructors participate in Geography Workshop.

Right: Professor von Reichert with Professor Iashvili at Akaki Tsereteli State University in Kutaisi (KATSU)



the Azerbaijani borders, from the Black Sea coast and the lush, subtropical rain forests near Batumi to the low-humidity wine region of Kakheti.

There certainly is a parallel between Georgia and Montana: The warmth and strength of the people and the remarkable beauty of the landscape can readily exert a draw on visitors.

For more information about faculty and student exchanges to the Republic of Georgia, please contact the International Programs at 243-2288 or visit our website at www.umt.edu/ip.

For more information about Tbilisi Institute of Asia and Africa please visit www.tiaa.edu.ge.

English Language Institute has Highest Enrollment to Date

By Jana Hood, Assistant Director, English Language Institute

The English Language Institute continues to attract an array of international students and to expand its curriculum. In Fall Semester 2006, the ELI had the highest enrollment up to that time -- 103 students at the end of the semester. Presently 105 are enrolled for Spring Semester 2007, and that number may grow. Students in the ELI family hail from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, Mexico, Republic of Georgia, Croatia, China, Taiwan, Korea and Japan.

Beginning in Fall 2006, elective classes were added to the ELI curriculum, allowing students to select an elective course in addition to their required classes. The fall electives included classes in computer skills, TOEFL preparation, drama, movies and stories from around the world, an individualized writing workshop, and a newsletter preparation and production class that produces an ELI publication, *International Griz*, which can be found online at www.umt.edu/iedg/internationalgriz. Spring 2007 electives comprise TOEFL preparation classes, English through music, American movies, American pop culture, reading development, and the newsletter class.

This semester for the first time, nine ELI students are enrolled in a regular UM class as well as their ELI classes. An ELI instructor advises and assists the group to help them make a successful transition to the University curriculum.



ELI students in front of the International Center

Students who achieve a high enough score on the TOEFL Test (Test of English as a Foreign Language) or who are recommended by their teachers may enter The University of Montana or another university or college. At the end of Fall Semester 2006, 15 students qualified for admission to a college or university program; ten are now studying at The University of Montana.

ELI presently has 14 instructors, seven full-time and seven part-time. All are committed to making the English Language Institute an excellent place for students to develop the English skills necessary to enter an academic program at UM or elsewhere in the U.S.

To find out more about the English Language Institute, check out www.umt.edu/elp/eli or <http://eliwiki.pbsiki.com/>. You are also welcome to visit us at the International Center any time between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Special Language Programs: Hungarian Parliamentary Professional Development Program

By Julie Vetter, Assistant Director, Special Language Programs

The Hungarian Parliamentary Professional Development Program was a short-term winter English language and professional immersion program sponsored by the International Programs at The University of Montana in Missoula. A delegation of ten Members of Parliament from Hungary spent three weeks in Montana, January 3-24 2007, studying English and American culture through professional content. They spent mornings immersed in classroom-based English language classes with professional ESL instructors and community guest speakers, and afternoons in individualized job shadow placements based on their different areas of professional expertise. Evenings and weekends were spent taking advantage of cultural events and recreational outings. The goals of the program consisted of the following: 1) to improve professional communication skills in English; 2) to observe and interact with American professionals at work through a job shadow experience; 3) to meet with local and state government leaders to learn about various aspects of American government in action; and 4) to network with local non-profit business representatives and scholars in order to understand and share ideas related to various global issues facing the world today.



Hungarian delegation meeting with Governor Brian Schweitzer

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Spring 2007 International Brown Bag Schedule

All presentations are free and open to the public. For more information, please contact the International Programs at 243-2288.

Thursday, February 15, 12-1 pm, Mansfield Center Seminar Room: Dr. Kubanychbek Taabaldiev, Fulbright Scholar from Kyrgyzstan
Transition Period in Central Asia: The Example of Kyrgyzstan

Wednesday, February 21, 12-1 pm, University Center 332: Kevin Moore, South Africa National Parks, Charles Breen, University of KwaZulu Natal, and Wayne Freimund, College of Forestry and Conservation
Social Research for Protected Areas in South Africa

Wednesday, March 14, 12-1 pm, Mansfield Center Seminar Room: Christiane von Reichert, Associate Professor, Geography
Georgia: Land of the Golden Fleece

Wednesday, March 21, 12-1 pm, Mansfield Center Seminar Room: Nelly Mwangi, Visiting Ph.D. Student from the Centre for Environment, Agriculture and Development at the University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
The Evolution of Property Rights: Implications for Conservancies

Thursday, April 19, 12-1 pm, Mansfield Center Seminar Room: Pedro Vasquez, Professor of Forestry and Management, Department of Forestry and Director of the Center of Data for Conservation, Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina
The Status of Conservation and Resource Management in Peru

We welcome items of international or intercultural interest for the next newsletter. Please send them to International Programs, International Center, or email us (goabroad@mso.umt.edu).

In the November issue of Expanding Horizons, Dean David Forbes' title was printed incorrectly. His correct title is Dean of the College of Health Professions and Biomedical Sciences.

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