GEO February Newsletter

February is cold, so keep warm and enjoy the snow!
BOLLYWOOD MOVIE NIGHT

Come watch some Bollywood movie and engage in learning about Indian culture. We will also provide some snacks and popcorn.

FRIDAY FEBRUARY 7
6:00 PM
@ INTERNATIONAL HOUSE
Languages are crucial for humanity, for they are what sustain our unique culture and provide us with outlets for our expression. Eiton Kogoya, a former student of the English Language Institute, from Western Papua New Guinea, knows of the importance of his native language Lani. Because of this, Eiton has started a podcast on Spotify dedicated to preserving Lani for future generations. Eiton hopes that easily accessible recordings of Lani will ensure that future generations of his people, who are interested in their cultural
identity, will be able to conveniently access their language through his podcast. Eiton is now fully admitted to the University of Montana after working his way through the English Language Institute and the Pathways Program. Although most of the episodes are in Lani, Eiton has one episode in English where he explains why he is making this podcast, as well as talking about some of the friends he has made here at UM who are seeing their native languages disappear. Eiton is aware of both the importance and the urgency of protecting his language. You can listen to his podcast on Spotify titled “Lani Wone—Bahasa Lani—Lani language podcast.”

You can listen to Eiton’s podcast on Spotify by following the link below.

https://open.spotify.com/show/4ST8FpgZy6keWrBngxQDni
Would you like to live and study in Chile? If so, you are in luck because the University of Montana is a partner with the Universidad de Concepción located in the central part of the country. This partnership gives students at the University of Montana an opportunity to study abroad and experience a new culture. Containing a student body of 23,000, Universidad de Concepción provides five on-campus residence halls and many on-campus dining options. To attend this university, both two years of college-level Spanish and a minimum GPA of 2.8 are required. By deciding to venture to Concepción, students are guaranteed to experience a journey filled with growth, exploration and ideally, plenty of Chilean-style empanadas.

In addition to this, if you are a lover of rock and roll music Concepción, Chile may just be the place for you. Known for being a lively port city, an art hub and “the capital of Chilean rock,” Concepción certainly does not lack culture and vivacity! Nestled on the Northern bank of the Rio Biobío and with a population of 216,000, Concepción is home to many universities and an art museum containing the most valuable and complete collection of Chilean paintings.

**Majors Offered:**