

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

Santa Monica College

International Education Week: November 15-19, 2010

Connecting Our World

Join Santa Monica College as we celebrate the 10th annual International Education Week.

IEW is a time to celebrate our diverse campus community which includes over 3000 international students representing 120 countries, study abroad programs, lectures, performances, field trips, social events, and curriculum that promotes Global Citizenship amongst students, faculty, staff and the campus community.



We encourage your participation in the many events offered during this special week, including engaging lectures, a film screening, and food, music and dance on the Campus Quad during Global Citizenship Day.

Film Screening & Discussion: *What's Cooking?*

(USA, 2000, written & directed by Gurinder Chadha)

**Wednesday, November 17
6:30 p.m. Science Building 145**

Exploring the links between cooking and life, *What's Cooking?* dramatizes the similarities and differences of how four families celebrate Thanksgiving. Each has a different ethnic heritage: Vietnamese, Latino, African-American, and Jewish. Chadha contrasts the cultural differences while highlighting the universality of some themes and issues, such as intolerance and strife within families. The screening will be followed by an expert faculty panel.

Najwa Abbas Ahmed

SMC welcomes special guest Najwa Abbas Ahmed, a faculty member of Salzburg Global Seminar. Najwa has worked as an expert to UN agencies in Sustainable and Environmentally Sound Development programs and designed several projects for rural energy service, energy efficiency and climate change impacts. She has supervised and implemented such projects and programs in many developing countries in Africa and Asia. Before, she served as program director and lecturer of Postgraduate Programs on Renewable Energy at the University of Khartoum and the University of Zimbabwe in Harare. She holds one of the distinct honors of being one of the first women engineers from her Native country Sudan, and specialized on Technology and Economy of Renewable Energy implementation. She is an activist on Human Rights and Peace making and involves herself in politics of her home country Sudan. She lectured at USA colleges as well as in UK.



Sudan: Conflicts, Natural Resources & Global Intervention

**Tuesday, November 16
11:15 a.m. -12:35 p.m. ART 214**

The conflict in Darfur which has become a prime example of how local conflict is triggered when international and regional interests get intertwined. Climate change has a key role in this problematic and often deadly mix.

Afro-Islamic Societies & Women

**Thursday, November 18
11:15 a.m. -12:35 p.m. LS 106**

A lecture focusing on the experience of African women in Islamic Societies; specifically, the challenges that women face between their culture and religion.

Opportunities for Service through the UN

**Friday, November 19
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. HSS 261**

Discussion with faculty and student leaders about the role of the United Nations; intern opportunities, and resources and reports that can be used in curriculum.

Global Citizenship Day

Thursday, November 18

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Campus Quad

Take your tastebuds traveling as SMC celebrates the annual theme of "Food" during Global Citizenship Day.



There will be food trucks from ethnic eateries, the chance to test your knowledge of the world and even win a raffle prize, learn about study abroad opportunities and find out more from campus departments engaged in this initiative.



FOR INFORMATION ON IEW, GO TO THE INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEBSITE:

www.smc.edu/international

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