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### *Dear Friends of the Global Center,*

We have seemingly raced through another year and this means that I have a chance to share what we have accomplished and consider future endeavors. Of course, I also have the opportunity to thank each of you for your continued involvement and support of the Center for the Study of Global Change. So, before I begin this annual correspondence, please accept my many thanks for attending our programs, providing input when asked, collaborating with us on various initiatives, and considering the IU Global Center as part of your research, service, teaching, and learning.

Today, the Global Center continues to build on its strengths, tackle new challenges, expand its reach, and be a significant player in the scholarly, pedagogical, and practical aspects of Global Studies. We remain a core unit that contributes to the mission of the School of Global and International Studies (SGIS), and we are a national leader in the internationalization of higher education. Our Global Research Studies Series (IU Press) has six books and will soon have more; we have partnered with Living Earth Television to premier translated films by Chinese documentarians; we have become a regularly invited host for a U.S. State Department Fulbright Gateway Orientation; our Muslim Voices Project has produced a volume for media practitioners and scholars, edited by Rosemary Pennington and myself, about the important role of the media in crafting public discourse around Islam, to mention only a few activities. We also saw the conclusion of the Global Learning Across Indiana (GLAI), which in four years developed a Global Studies Certificate, designed Arabic classes, and internationalized dozens of courses across the state-wide Ivy Tech Community College curriculum. It was a real honor to work with Michelle Henderson, the GLAI Coordinator, and the many Ivy Tech faculty and administrators who together made this such a successful, collaborative, and impactful project.

This past summer we also saw the retirement of Deb Hutton, and I must take this opportunity to thank her for her many years of service and for her unyielding commitment to global education. Not only has she worked tirelessly for decades, she also donated a beautiful Chinese scroll to the Global Center, and I thank her for this stunning artwork that now adorns our office. I am delighted that Eli Konwest has joined the team at the Global Center as the new Assistant Director and brings many new ideas, insights, and experiences. Together with Programs and Grants Specialist Deborah Piston-Hatlen, Natasha Heines (Administrative Assistant) Rashad Mammadov (Graduate Assistant), Alexis Jenkins and Katie Masciopinto (Academic Interns), and Zach Vaughn (Framing the Global Web Manager), we have a superb team who are all working together to achieve our goals and get the Global Center ready for the coming years.

We are excited to have Professor Faridah Pawan from Education and Professor Stephanie Kane from International Studies join the Global Center advisory board. We also want to thank our departing advisory board members, Purnima Bose and Scott Sernau, for their sustained commitment and advice. And, we must remember our dear friend, colleague, and advisory board member Heidi Ross, who we sorely miss and still often invoke for her fair counsel. We look forward to working with the new members of our advisory board and with those who are continuing to serve. Our advisory board has always been a fantastic sounding board for us and has been a superb source of guidance. We look forward to continuing this tradition, and sincere thanks go to all of them.

I could keep going on about all we have accomplished but you can read about much of this in the newsletter. And, we have much planned for the coming year, such as our upcoming interdisciplinary and multi-media symposium on Arts and Refugees and the Language Flagship Annual Meeting. However, while a global education and inclusive learning may well be

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needed more than ever, there is a palpable uncertainty in the post-election climate in regards to funding and other resources and interest in international education. Our goals and ways of doing business may very well shift as new needs, educational gaps, and opportunities emerge. We are ready for these changes. The Global Center will remain committed to global learning for ALL, whether you are a university student in SGIS or Education, a high school teacher from Eastern Greene County or Gary, a faculty member in International Studies or Law, or a community member from NYC or Owen County! The Global Center is committed to serving all our stakeholders, and we will continue to do so as we promote the integration of interdisciplinary global perspectives that are crafted through deep critical understanding, action, conversation, collaboration, empathy, and endless curiosity. Our long-standing determination to transcend boundaries of all kinds has never been stronger.

When you find time, please read through our activities. We are always responsive to feedback, so do not hesitate to let us know if our newsletter spurs some new ideas or suggestions for programming or partners. Also, if you are seeking ways to spread your end-of-the-year giving, the Global Center would be extremely grateful for any donations you would be willing to provide. These donations (of any amount) will allow us to continue to serve all of you and to be a hub of internationalization and global studies at IU and beyond. We are here to provide global learning and research to all universities, campuses, communities, schools, and organizations. This is a mission we will never give up on, and we are so grateful that we have all of you to join us in our global goals of collaboration, conversation, and meaningful and impactful learning about our world.

I wish you all the best for the end of the year and the start of 2017. We look forward to continuing to explore and celebrate our interconnected and diverse lives and ideas.

*Best wishes and sincere thanks for all,*




Participants in the 2016 Ambiguous Geographies Symposium

## Ambiguous Geographies

**I**n March and with funding from the College of Arts and Sciences Ostrom Grants Program, the Global Center hosted “Ambiguous Geographies: Rethinking Global and Area Studies.”

This two-day symposium was part of an on-going initiative to rethink area studies, Critical Area Studies in a Global Era. It brought together an interdisciplinary group of scholars and practitioners from Arctic and Polar Studies, Global Studies, Pacific and Oceanic Studies, Geography, Anthropology, History, Area Studies, and Law, as well as graduate students, to learn from each other and begin to articulate a scholarly and practical framework for our 21st century and its increasingly borderless, changing, and ambiguous territories.

Using ice and water – which are constantly in flow even when perceived as permanent, fixed, or bounded – as entry points is a useful tool for new approaches for regional and global studies that integrate the mobility, movement, unpredictability, and ambiguity that is so profound in the contemporary world. In advance of the symposium, all participating faculty and graduate students wrote one-page synopses of their analytic approach to their areas of inquiry. While considering ice – particularly arctic ice – and water, rivers, and oceans, the symposium conversations

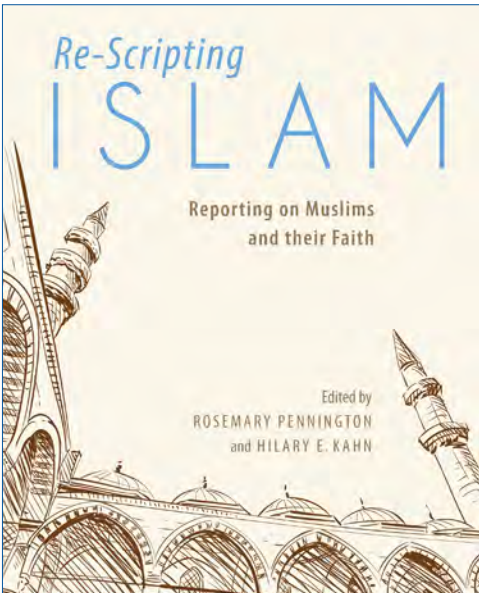
led to thinking about the ambiguity that is embedded in all of the geographies and areas that we try to understand.

Invited symposium participants were Claudio Aporta, Marine Affairs Program, Dalhousie University; Alexander Drost, Baltic Borderlands Program, Greifswald University; Sean Metzger, Department of Theater, School of Theater, Film and Television, UCLA; Jenny Newell, American Museum of Natural History; Kimberly Rogers, Institute of Arctic and Alpine Research, University of Colorado Boulder; and Fiona Yap, Crawford School of Public Policy, ANU College of Asia and the Pacific, Australian National University. Participating IUB faculty were Majed Akhter, Geography; Eduardo Brondizio, Anthropology; Stephanie Kane, International Studies; Hilary E. Kahn, Center for the Study of Global Change, International Studies; Rebecca Lave, Geography; and Pedro Machado, History. Alisha Kirchoff (Sociology), Bill Mankins (Central Eurasian Studies), Emma McDonnell (Anthropology, Latin America), and Chris Upton (East Asia) provided a graduate student perspective.

Contributing support for the symposium were the Department of International Studies, Russian and East European Institute, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, and the Center for the Study of the Middle East.



## Global Center Publications



### MUSLIM VOICES

Developed following the 2012 “Re-scripting Islam: Muslims in the Media” conference hosted by the Global Center and the Voices and Visions Project, Rosemary Pennington, Assistant Professor at Miami University, and Global Center Director Hilary Kahn have co-edited a volume titled *Re-Scripting Islam: Reporting on Muslims and their Faith*. The IU Press book is due out in 2018.

### GLOBAL RESEARCH STUDIES SERIES

2016 saw the publication of two more volumes in the Framing the Global book series by Indiana University Press, *Paprika*, *Foie Gras*, and *Red Mud: The Politics of Materiality in the European Union and Global Heartland: Displaced Labor, Transnational Lives, and Local Placemaking*. In *Paprika*, *Foie Gras*, and *Red Mud*, [Zsuzsa Gille](#) examines three scandals that have shaken Hungary since it joined the European Union and identifies a new modality of power - the materialization of politics, or achieving political goals with the seemingly apolitical tools of tinkering with technology and infrastructure. In *Global Heartland*, [Faranak Miraftab](#) draws on ethnographic research in Beardstown, IL, Mexico, and Togo to trace the global processes that produce displaced workers and the social relationships that maintain them, offering a fresh perspective on place and placemaking.

## Institute for Curriculum and Campus Internationalization -

### ICCI

Indiana University’s Institute for Curriculum and Campus Internationalization (ICCI), which was founded in 2011 and is administered by the Global Center, is organized around the premise that academic internationalization must be a collective, collaborative, and comprehensive endeavor. ICCI 2016 was held in May and drew 61 faculty, staff, and administrators to Bloomington to participate in the four-day institute. The plenary address was given by Mohamed Abdel-Kader, Deputy Assistant Secretary in the International and Foreign Language Education Office at the U.S. Department of Education’s Office of Postsecondary Education, on “Global Education and the 21st Century.” ICCI partnered with many campus units as well as other organizations influential in higher education internationalization: American Council on Education, Association of American Colleges and Universities, and NAFSA: Association of International Educators. Over six years, ICCI has welcomed participants from over 125 different institutions, representing over 100 disciplinary backgrounds. This year also witnessed the launch of a new, easier to navigate [web-site](#).

ICCI 2017 will take place May 21-24. Inquires can be sent to [icci@indiana.edu](mailto:icci@indiana.edu). Registration will begin January 3.



ICCI 2016 participants and staff

Keynote speaker Mohamed Abdel-Kader

ICCI participants during discussion sessions and cultural night





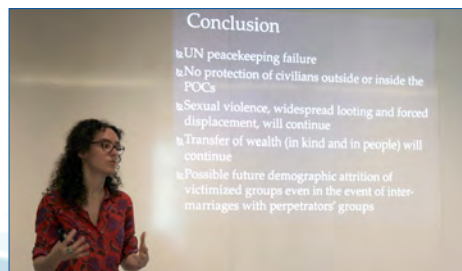
# GSPS Global Studies Positioning Series

The Global Center's Global Studies Positioning Series (GSPS) brings scholars, students, and various members of the larger public together to explore global phenomena.

The series is designed to spark interdisciplinary conversations about issues that transcend our world. GSPS presenters in Spring 2016 addressed the theme *The Changing Nature of Power in the 21st Century* based on the ideas put forth in the book *The End of Power: From Boardrooms to Battlefields and Churches to States, Why Being in Charge Isn't What It Used to Be* by Moisés Naím. In a conversation moderated by Professor Scott Shackelford, Dr. Fred Cate, IU Vice President for Research, discussed how cybersecurity is affecting, and affected by, changing conceptions of power across the world. Ambassador Feisal Istrabadi, Director of the IU Center for the Study of the Middle East, led a conversation about the region's shifting power dynamics in the wake of the Islamic State, Iran Nuclear Deal, and



Fall 2016 Global Studies Positioning Series presenters, Dr. Cynthia Enloe, Dr. Diana O'Brien and Dr. Clémence Pinaud



refugee crisis. Professor Timothy Hellwig, Department of Political Science, explored how global economic interdependence affects how citizens think about and evaluate their elected national representatives. And lastly, Professor Adam Liff, East Asian Languages and Cultures Department, discussed the rapid emergence of China to "great power" status.

With a nod towards this year's election cycle in the United States, GSPS Fall 2016's theme was *Gender and Geopolitics*. Professor Diana O'Brien, Department of Political Science, gave a talk on "Hillary Clinton in Global Perspective," discussing the election of female legislators and heads of government worldwide and addressing the consequences of women's presence in elected office. Cosponsored by the Institute for Advanced Study and the Department of Gender Studies, Cynthia Enloe, Research Professor at Clark University, Massachusetts, gave a lecture on the "Geopolitics of your Bathub," exploring the dramatic political change occurring as domestic workers gain more rights and how this exemplifies and challenges geopolitical realities and inequalities. During Dr. Enloe's visit, she also met with undergraduate and graduate students and faculty. Moderated by Aynur Onur-Çifci (Anthropology), Professor Clémence Pinaud, Department of International Studies, presented on a pattern of sexual violence and the links to the war economy, which includes large-scale looting in South Sudan.

We hope you can join us in Spring 2017 for a series of discussions on Art & Human Rights!

## Community Engagement

The Global Center is proud to be a member of the recently revived IU International Outreach Council (IOC). The IOC is a joint effort from various campus partners including the area studies centers to reach out to diverse publics in the community in a collective effort to educate. Projects in the fall semester included attending the Indiana Foreign Language Teachers Association and Indiana Council

for the Social Studies annual meetings. The Global Center also once again sponsored the IU Global Education Pavilion at Lotus in the Park, offering an opportunity for festival attendees to hear and learn about traditional instruments for free. And lastly, Hilary Kahn coordinated the 7th annual Project School International Night. Families enjoyed games, crafts, and music from around the world.



IUB International Outreach Coordinator Deb Hutton and Graduate Assistant Rashad Mammadov at the Indiana Foreign Language Teachers Association exhibit

## Fulbright Gateway Orientation

Having hosted a successful Fulbright Gateway Orientation in August 2015, the Global Center was asked to welcome a new group of international Fulbright graduate students during the week of August 1, 2016. The group of 55 students from 42 countries attended workshops on U.S. cross-cultural understanding, U.S. academic culture, and American politics, among other topics. They also enjoyed such American activities as a picnic in Bryan Park and a trip to Spring Mill State Park. Based on student feedback, this year's Gateway was again a success. Said one orientation participant: "It was the perfect first contact with the U.S. It is a huge change, moving away from home to a different country with a different language, culture and system. The Gateway helped me [to make] the transition and made me feel welcome to the US. Thank you!"



Fulbright Gateway Orientation closing dinner at the IU Eskenazi Art Museum

## David E. Albright Memorial Scholarship



2016 David E. Albright scholar  
Kate Bushong in China

The Global Center was pleased to award the third annual David E. Albright Scholarship to Kate Bushong. The scholarship, established by Mrs. Ruth Albright, honors the memory of her husband, who had a passion for international issues and student mentoring. Scholarship recipients are students in the School of Global and International Studies who have a demonstrated record of international passion and commitment. Kate Bushong is a Senior Chi-

nese major at Indiana University and has been studying East Asian languages since she was a freshman in high school. She studied in Nanjing, China for one semester in her sophomore year and is currently studying in Nagoya, Japan, with the aim of becoming conversational in Japanese. Upon graduation, she is hoping to work in the field of diplomacy to strengthen the relationship between the United States and East Asian countries.

## Graduate Study Group

In January 2016, the Global Center began facilitating the Graduate Student Study Group in Global Studies. The purpose of the group is to provide a platform for IUB graduate students across campus whose research is concerned with global phenomena and who seek a collaborative and interdisciplinary working group that supports their global research and scholarship. The working group is designed to be student-driven while welcoming faculty mentors. It aims to provide opportunities for students to share their research with the IU community and get feedback from multiple disciplinary perspectives.

Over the spring and fall semesters of 2016, the group has had a number of meetings. Several of the meetings have been discussion sessions over lunch. Five students have presented research and received feedback in preparation for conference presentations. We have also provided the group the opportunity to participate in the "Ambiguous Geographies" symposium, to meet and engage in conversation with esteemed scholar Cynthia Enloe, and to attend training on writing policy briefs, "Becoming Public Intellectuals," led by Les Lenkowsky of SPEA.

Look for information in early January about the group's activities for next semester. Global Studies is concerned with issues that transcend geopolitical and disciplinary boundaries, like the preservation of culture and environment, movements of people, foreign policy, or global media. Graduate students representing many fields of inquiry from International and Area Studies, Economics, and Political Science to Public Health, Educational Policy, and Environmental Science (and many more) are welcome!

# Stay Tuned for 2017

## ART AND REFUGEES SYMPOSIUM: APRIL 6, 2017

With support from the College Arts and Humanities Institute, the Global Center is sponsoring a day-long symposium that will investigate the complex intersection of art and refugees by combining scholarship, performance, practice, and an art installation.

Symposium participants will explore the refugee situation alongside an array of artistic expressions, as well as the artists, sociopolitical contexts, analytic frameworks, and global trends from which art about refugees is created and defined.

The Spring 2017 Global Studies Positioning Series (GSPS) explores "Art and Human Rights" from an interdisciplinary and transnational perspective. Our speakers, Mary Embry, Shane Greene, Faye R. Gleisser, and Charlotte Schmitz will approach the issue from cultural, economic, geopolitical, and sociopolitical perspectives. We will discuss how art can be an entry point to broader global issues, human struggles and accomplishments.

2017 will mark the Institute for Curriculum and Campus Internationalization's (ICCI) 7th year. It facilitates the internationalization of campus, curricula, and courses to better prepare students, faculty, and staff to be effective scholars, practitioners, and citizens of the 21st century. 2017 ICCI will be held on May 21-24.



Spring 2017 GSPS will offer a look at the intersection of **Human Rights** and **Art**

As the Bloomington community will be welcoming 60 Syrian refugees this March, this is a timely topic, and participants will also consider this issue from a local as well as a global perspective. The symposium's overall goal is to use art as an entry point to more meaningfully and intimately understand the experience of refugees.

## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

Along with new programs and initiatives, the Global Center will continue its established programming in the coming year.

## ALBRIGHT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for the 2017-2018 academic year are due on March 3, 2017. Qualified undergraduate students are full-time SGIS majors eligible to graduate in May or August 2018. For more information, including complete requirements and application forms, please visit our [website](#).

## FLAGSHIP MEETING

Along with the IUB Arabic, Chinese, and Turkish Flagship programs, the Global Center will host The Language Flagship Annual Meeting in May 2017. Staff from The Language Flagship and from Flagship Centers across the country will meet in Bloomington. The meeting sessions focus on such issues as providing technical assistance for project directors and staff and sharing knowledge and best practices.

## NEW WEBSITE COMING SOON

The Global Center will soon have a new website: [global.indiana.edu](http://global.indiana.edu)

The new site will feature a fresh design, focused on delivering information pertaining to programs and events in an easy to navigate, aesthetically pleasing approach.

The Global Center Director, Hilary Kahn, said of the new design, "We are delighted to have a new website on its way, so please keep an eye out this spring for this overdue makeover of our online face."

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