

Teaching an Honors Cross-Divisional and Active Learning Course: Terrorism & Torture from a Global Perspective

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Promoting a Global Perspective— Challenges



- Few Study abroad programs
- Few networking opportunities with local businesses
- Lack of international focus = missed opportunity
 - Students are regional and have very little exposure to places beyond Southeast
 - They know very little about the world outside their very narrow experience

Promoting a Global Perspective - Creating the Initiative

- Multiple study abroad trips each year



Promoting a Global Perspective - Moving Forward

- Director of Honors Program



- International component
 - Mission & Vision

Honors Program Mission

USC Upstate Honors Program:

A Transformative educational experience that breaks the boundaries of the standard college curriculum to prepare scholars to engage the future as global citizens.



Creating Initiatives - Honors Advisory Council



Center for
**International
Studies**

- Included Director of International Studies
- Involved faculty with more diverse backgrounds
- Established a new curriculum with each course being multi-disciplinary & including an international component
- Added internships & service learning that includes international companies in the region
- The International Studies & Honors Program work in tandem on many projects
 - Foreign exchange students invited to all honors events
 - Honors Trip abroad

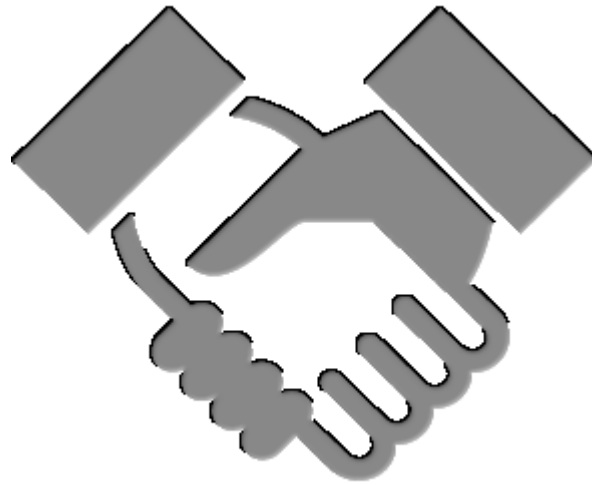
Creating Initiatives - Results

- Students expanded knowledge & horizons and are eager to explore the world
- Increased profile of Honors Program with international community in Spartanburg
- Support—financial & emotional



Why French & World Languages Need Cross-Divisional Partners

- Why French needs cross-divisional partners?
- The US foreign language deficit and national security
- Creative Solution: Cross-Divisional Course



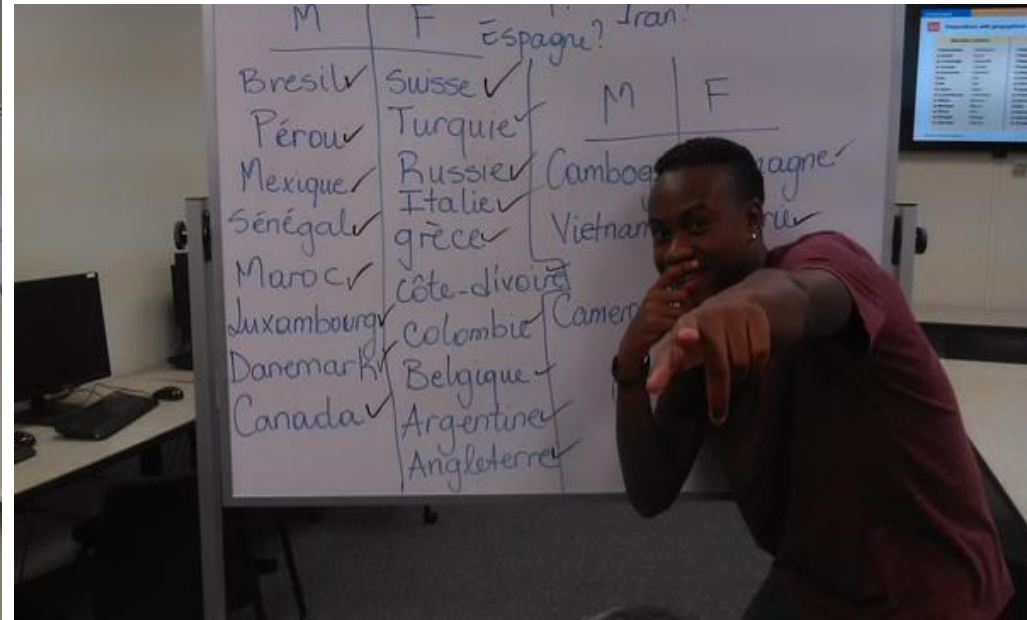
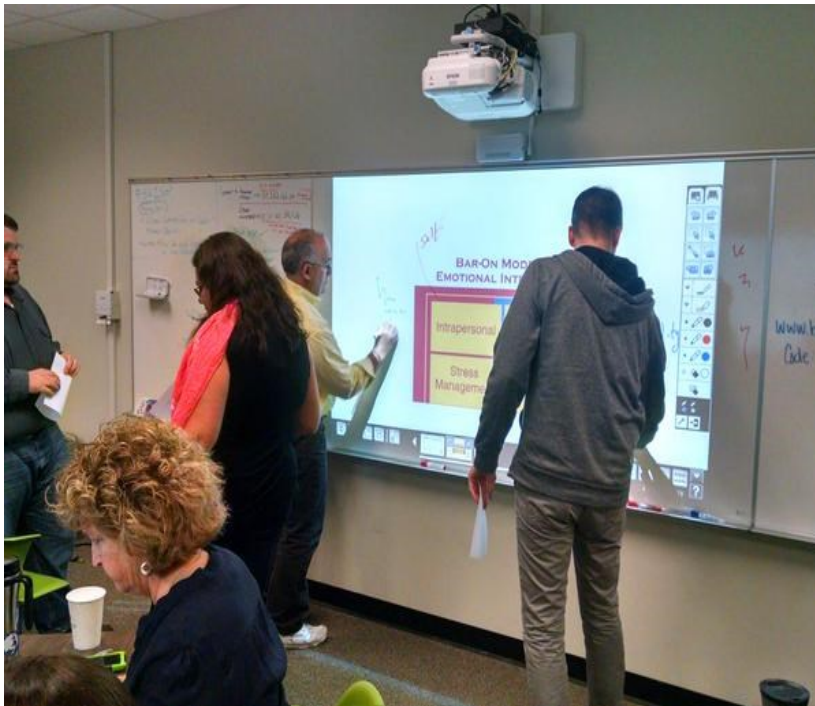
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The Course - The Twin Ills of Terrorism & Torture: A Global Perspective

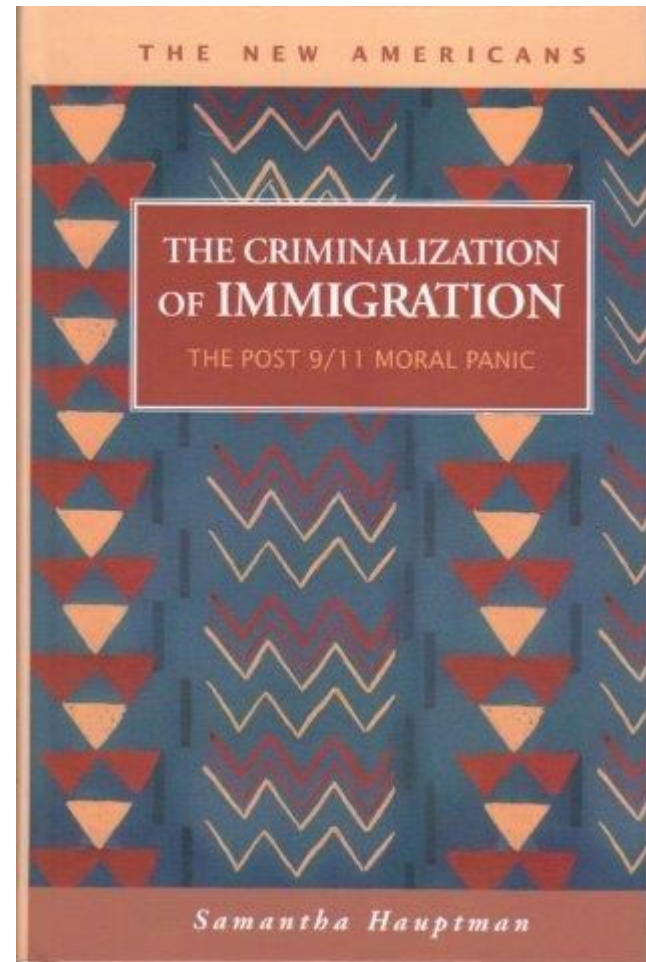
- Through Active Learning we engage students in intercultural awareness



- US debate on torture & terrorism has roots in recent French history (Algerian War and its legacy today)

Why Criminal Justice Students Need Cross-Divisional Partners

- Why should criminal justice students care about the globe or international issues?
- Terrorism and immigration
- Why World Languages?



Connections Outside of the Traditional Classroom

- Bringing the community to our classroom through Service Learning and other out of class experiences
 - French & Francophone Film Festival through Upstate International
 - Speaker: Dr. Mathieu Deflem
 - Student Play



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