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May Term Strives to Make Human Rights Real

May 8, 2013

BLOOMINGTON, Ill.— Illinois Wesleyan students participating in May Term can attend multiple co-curricular events throughout the month, such as concerts, film screenings and workshops, which encompass the theme of “Making Human Rights Real.”

Along with the events, there will also be a “Making Human Rights Real Interactive Wall” in The Ames Library (1 Ames Plaza), located on the entry level to the left of the circulation desk. Developed with the help of design student, Agnes Kubas, the wall will serve as a common forum where students can post comments, poetry, and images that relate to human rights and social justice. See a [poster](#) (pdf). Students can also participate in a [photo contest](#) by submitting photos that best represent their May Term experience.

May Term is a month-long opportunity for students to enroll in one intensive class that encompasses an entire semester's worth of material and earns them one class credit. On-campus May Term classes enable students to fulfill general education requirements, as well as take classes that would not typically be available to them during the fall and spring semesters, such as "Song and Dance in Latin America," "Field Ornithology" and "Greek and Roman comedy." There are also multiple travel courses that allow students to study abroad in Italy, the U.K., France, Hawaii, Germany and Bulgaria.

This term's programming is the result of a joint effort by staff and faculty from the following offices: May Term Office in collaboration with the Mellon Center Advisory Committee, Dean of Students Office and the Chaplain's Office.

For more information see the [May Term Calendar of Events](#) or visit the [May Term Office's website](#). Below is list of May Term co-curricular programs being offered:

- **May Term Kick-off Lunch** - Wednesday, May 8 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Berthoff Commons (104 E. University St., Bloomington) with welcoming remarks by Provost and Dean of the Faculty Jonathan Green. [Read his remarks](#) (pdf)
- **Indian Classical Dance Concert** - Friday, May 10 from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Hansen Student Center (300 E. Beecher St., Bloomington). [Poster](#) (pdf).
- **Poverty Simulation Workshop**- Saturday, May 11 from 9 a.m. to noon in the Young Main Lounge, Memorial Center (104 E. University Ave.). [Poster](#) (pdf).
- **Student Panel Presentation on Immigration** - Monday, May 13 from 4 to 6 p.m. in Beckman Auditorium of The Ames Library (1 Ames Plaza) . [Poster](#) (pdf).
- **Mini-Course on Community Action** - Learn the practical aspects of organizing a successful community action plan on Tuesday, May 14 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the Turfler Room, Memorial Center (104 E. University Ave.). [Poster](#) (pdf).
- **Philippine Cultural Festival** - Games, exhibits and food on Friday, May 17 from 4 to 7 p.m. in the atrium of the Center for Natural Sciences (CNS) (201 E. Beecher St., Bloomington). [Poster](#) (pdf).

- **Volunteer Opportunities** – To sign up, email volunteer@iwu.edu no later than May 15.
 - Adopt A Meal: Home Sweet Home Mission - Prepare a meal for up to 100 community residents at one of our local homeless shelters on Sunday, May 19 from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. [Poster](#) (pdf).
 - Titan2Titan - A program that brings current students and retirees together in a day of service. [Poster](#) (pdf).

- **International Film Series on Women's Issues: From "Real" to "Reel"** - All screenings, except for *Vanaja*, will be in Beckman Auditorium, The Ames Library from 7 to 9 p.m.
 - *Vanaja* – Thursday, May 9 – Hansen Student Center [Poster](#) (pdf).
 - *Viva Laldjerie* – Tuesday, May 14 [Poster](#) (pdf).
 - *Faat Kine* – Friday, May 17 [Poster](#) (pdf).
 - *Honey and Ashes* – Tuesday, May 21 [Poster](#) (pdf).
 - *Persepolis* – Thursday, May 23 [Poster](#) (pdf).
 - *Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon* – Tuesday, May 28 [Poster](#) (pdf).

- **Tunnel of Oppression** - An interactive experience that highlights the contemporary issues of oppression, privilege, and power in the Hansen Student Center from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. [Poster](#) (pdf).
- **Closing Reception** - There will be a showcase of the “Interactive Wall” and student work completed during May Term on Thursday, May 30 from 4 to 6 p.m. in The Ames Library. [Poster](#) (pdf).

For additional information, contact the May Term Office at (309) 556-3760.

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