



Royal D. Alworth, Jr. Institute for International Studies

Chronological Summary of the Spring 2009 Program

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Wednesday, February 4, 2009

International Lecture - "Human Rights Issues in Latin America: Environment, Energy and Indigenous Rights"

Presented by Elizabeth da Cunha Sussekind, Dr. Maria del Rocio Bermeo Sevilla, and Juan Carlos Arjona Estévez, [2008 Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows](#)

7:00 p.m. - UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Thursday, February 5, 2009

Brown Bag Presentation - "The Anglo American Roots of the New Rhetoric: A Visit to Cambridge University"

Presented by Dr. David Beard, Assistant Professor of Writing Studies at UMD

12:00 Noon – UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Thursday, February 12, 2009

Brown Bag Presentation - "**The Pakistan You Don't Know**"

Presented by Waqas Ahmad and Nisar Ahmed, Graduate students in UMD's Electrical and Computer Engineering Program

12:00 Noon – UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Monday, February 16, 2009

Alworth Reading Group – "The Wormdigger's Daughter" by John Farrell

Discussion of the novel; story takes place in Ireland

7:00 p.m. - UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Thursday, February 19, 2009

Brown Bag Presentation - "**La Ley no es Todo (The Law is not Everything): Feminist Politics in Venezuela**"

Presented by Chere Bergeron, UMD Student majoring in Women's Studies and International Studies

12:00 Noon – UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda



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Tuesday, February 24, 2009

"Immigration and Globalization"

Presented by Michele Wucker, Executive Director of the [World Policy Institute](#), New York

7:00 p.m. - UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Thursday, February 26, 2009

Special Event – *WorldQuest* Competition

Teams of 8 compete against each other in a game of international trivia

Registration fee of \$80 per team; Prizes awarded

6:00 p.m. – Buffet Dinner and Registration; 7:00 p.m. – Competition begins

Thursday, March 5, 2009

Brown Bag Presentation - "**The Global Wind Band Movement: A Celebration in the Canary Islands**"

Presented by Mark Whitlock, Professor of Music at UMD

12:00 Noon – UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Wednesday, March 11, 2009 - Rescheduled for Wednesday, May 6, 2009

International Lecture - "Cuba: The Evolution of the Revolution and the U.S. Response"

Presented by Lissa Weinmann, Senior Fellow & Cuba Project Director at the [World Policy Institute](#), New York

7:00 p.m. - Montague Hall 80

Wednesday, March 25, 2009

Annual Memorial Lecture - "Reflections on the Kosovo War Crimes Tribunal"

Presented by Norman Sepenuk, P.C., defending counsel in the Kosovo War Crimes Tribunal

7:00 p.m. – Montague Hall 80

Thursday, March 26, 2009

Brown Bag Presentation - "**Spain: A Winter Odyssey**"

Presented by Pauline Nuhring, Associate Administrator in UMD's Office of Continuing Education

12:00 Noon – UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda



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Monday, March 30, 2009

International Lecture - "Culturally Speaking: Promoting Cross-Cultural Awareness in a Post 9/11 World"

Presented by Mary Coons, Founder & President, Pen & Ink Communications

7:00 p.m. – Montague Hall 80

Wednesday, April 8, 2009

International Lecture - "Economic Transformation in Poland: Success or Failure?"

Presented by Dr. Marek Wróblewski, Deputy Director for International Cooperation and Research Fellow for the Institute of International Studies, International Economic Relations Section, University of Wroclaw, and the 2009 Visiting Alworth Institute Fellow

7:00 p.m. - UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Wednesday, April 15, 2009

International Lecture - "The Development of the Russian Economy and its Impact on Eastern Europe"

Presented by Dr. Marek Wróblewski, Deputy Director for International Cooperation and Research Fellow for the Institute of International Studies, International Economic Relations Section, University of Wroclaw, and the 2009 Visiting Alworth Institute Fellow

7:00 p.m. - UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Thursday, April 16, 2009

Brown Bag Presentation - "**Exploring China**"

Presented by UMD Students and Professor Zhuangyi Liu, UMD Department of Mathematics and Statistics

12:00 Noon – UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Wednesday, April 22, 2009

International Lecture - "The Financial Crisis and the European Union"

Presented by Dr. Marek Wróblewski, Deputy Director for International Cooperation and Research Fellow for the Institute of International Studies, International Economic Relations Section, University of Wroclaw, and the 2009 Visiting Alworth Institute Fellow

7:00 p.m. - UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda



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Thursday, April 23, 2009

Brown Bag Presentation - "**History isn't enough . . .**"

Presented by Mrs. Leonore Baeumler and Dr. Deborah Petersen-Perlman, members of UMD's Baeumler Kaplan Holocaust Committee

12:00 Noon – UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

International Lecture - "Resonance: The Odyssey of the Bells"

Documentary film screening and discussion about the Duluth Peace Bell

7:00 p.m. – LSBE 118

Thursday, April 30, 2009

Brown Bag Presentation - "**Medellin, Cali and Bogota: Flowers, Salsa, Telefericos in Colombia**"

Presented by Dr. Adam Pine, Assistant Professor in the UMD Geography Department

12:00 Noon – UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda

Monday, May 4, 2009

Alworth Reading Group

Book selection to be determined

7:00 p.m. - UMD Fourth Floor Library Rotunda