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GLOBAL FOCUS
YEAR OF

Turkey

The **Global Focus program at Chatham University** engages our “World Ready Women” and graduate students in the purposeful study of peoples and civilizations. Every year, our community of scholars promotes the acquisition of sustainable global competencies through the critical and holistic exploration of one specific country or region of the globe. The program concurrently reinforces cross-cultural ties and internationalization projects in the greater Pittsburgh area and beyond.

The mission initiatives – Global Understanding; Women’s Leadership; Sustainability and the Environment; and Innovation and Research – which encapsulate the uniqueness of the Chatham educational experience, serve as permanent points of reference for relevant programming.

SCHOLASTIC FOCUS

- Teaching modules in most academic departments, particularly business, film, fine arts, food studies, general education, history, interior architecture, landscape architecture, political science, and psychology
- CIEE Faculty Development Seminar in Turkey. *Identity, Community and Culture in Contemporary Turkey*; Dr. David Rossbach
- Maymester Study Abroad in Turkey led by Dr. David Rossbach
- MFA in Creative Writing Field Seminar to Turkey led by Professor Marc Nieson
- Co-curricular Transcripts: a new CU initiative

SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

- 8.29.10 Opening Convocation, 4:00-5:00, Chapel followed by Turkish Cultural Expression and Picnic on the Quad.
- 9.7-10.18 Essay & Artwork Competition
- Fall Ambassador Namik Tan visits Chatham University
- 10.15-16 Exhibit by Contemporary Turkish painter Gizem Saka (www.istanbulgallery.com) as part of Alumnae Reunion, Chatham Art Gallery
- 10.28.10 Turkish Independence Day Celebration in cooperation with The Pittsburgh Dialogue Foundation/Turkish Cultural Center, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Anderson Dining Hall
Co-sponsored by Parkhurst & Food Studies Program
- Fall/spring Presentation series by Dr. Ercan Karakoç, Fulbright Scholar in Residence from Turkey. (See www.chatham.edu/globalfocus for complete details)
- Fall/spring Study program of Nobel Prize winner author Orhan Pamuk’s work
- 11.4.10 Lecture/Forum on “Turkish Entrepreneurship,” 4:30-5:45 p.m., Mellon Board Room
- 2.23.11 Conference: Turkey, Armenia, and Principles of International Dispute Resolution, 4:30-5:45 p.m., Welker Room
- 3.16&17 Visiting Author Tara Alisbah: Lecture, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., PCW Room;
Book Presentation: *Turkish, the Other Sign Language*, 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- April Spring Musical, University Day (pending confirmation) *Coordinated by Student Affairs*

ONGOING INITIATIVES

- Year of Collection in the Jennie King Mellon Library
 - Weekly Online Turkish Awareness Bowl
- All year Internet inreach/outreach: Regular Web updates from the Pittsburgh Dialogue Foundation/Turkish Cultural Center of Pittsburgh: <http://www.pghdialogue.org/>

FILM SERIES

With expert commentary and post screening discussions, 6:30-9:30 p.m. in Sanger Lecture Hall, Beckwith Lecture Hall, or Eddy Theatre. (See www.chatham.edu/globalfocus for summaries and study materials.)

- 10.21.10 *Anlat Istanbul (Istanbul Tales)*
- 11.11.10 *Crossing the Bridge: Sound of Istanbul*
- 11.18.10 *Calendar*
- 1.13.11 *Dol*
- 3.24.11 *Climates*

TURKISH HISTORY, POLITICS, AND CULTURE

- 9.16.10 “The Sakirin Mosque: An Architectural Revolution” with Patricia Sheridan, associate editor at the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, 10:00-11:15 a.m., Welker Room
- 10.7.10 “A Century of Turkish Democracy: Elites, Masses, and Secularism” by Dr. Abdulkadir Yildirim, Niehaus Center, Princeton University, 4:30-6:00 p.m., Welker Room
- 10.7.10 “Challenges of Multiculturalism: Focus on Turkey” with Dr. Jean-Jacques Sène. Living Learning Communities at CU, 6:30-7:45 p.m., *Sponsored by the Office of Resident Life*
- 10.13.10 Café Rachel Coffeehouse Series featuring Visiting Turkish Musician, Latif Bolat, 6:30-7:45 p.m., Café Rachel, *Coordinated by Student Affairs* (www.Latifbolat.com)
- 12.2.10 Videoconference: “The Grandeur of the Ottoman Kulliye (Institutes of Superior Civic Education)” with Dr. Rafee Hakky, Architecture Department, University of Bahrain (United Arab Emirates), 5:00-6:15 p.m., Chatham Eastside. *Co-sponsored by the Landscape Architecture program*
- 1.20.11 “Environmental Sustainability in Turkey,” with Dr. Melih Demirkan; Project Engineer, Paul C. Rizzo Associates, Inc., 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- 3.17.11 Faculty Lecture Series: “Relations Between Turkey and the European Union,” Dr. David Rossbach, assistant professor of political science, 4:00-5:00 p.m., Mellon Board Room
- 4.7.11 Taste of Turkey, 6:00-8:30 p.m., Quad

STUDENT-SPONSORED ACTIVITIES

Turkish Students Panel Discussions in partnership with University of Pittsburgh Less-Commonly-Taught Languages Center Prof. Nur Lider, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., PCW Room (see www.chatham.edu/globalfocus for updates and preparatory material)

- 9.14.10 *What Adjustments Do Turkish Students Make When Moving to the U.S.?*
- 2.3.11 *Conversation with Young Turkish ‘Feminists’*
- 3.31.11 *Surprising Facts of Contemporary Life in Turkey*

CHATHAM TRADITIONS: Student Affairs

- 9.14.10 Tuesday Night Edge: The Art of Henna, 9:00-11:00 p.m., Fickes Hall
- Spring Tuesday Night Edge: Traditional Craft: Oya Lace, 9:00-11:00 p.m.,
- November Battle of the Classes
- Spring Battle of the Finest
- All year Year of Turkey Display Boards in Residence Halls

Details on all Global Focus programs can be found at our website – www.chatham.edu/globalfocus – or contact Dr. Jean-Jacques Sène at jsene@chatham.edu, 412-365-2924 or 412-365-1747 (fax).

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Chatham University is proud to announce the 2011-2012 Global Focus Year of South Asia: Vietnam!