In February, our visiting scholars in residence through International Leaders in Education Program (ILEP) engaged students, faculty, and community members in global learning through their cultural presentation series People on the Move. Through interactive performances, the scholars from 8 counties Brazil, Mexico, Senegal, Ghana, Egypt, Morocco, Indonesia and The Philippines, brought a broader perspective.

The Gerald H. Read Center provided live stream to all presentations; hundreds of people from all over the world participated in watching. After watching the cultural dialogue series, the International Research and Exchange Board (IREX), a non-profit organization that administers ILEP program, announced that they are using the idea of People on the Move through their alumni participation.

The principal of Rootstown, where 2 ILEP scholars are completing an internship, has informed The Center that he is using these presentations with all of his faculty to help with a better understanding of global education around the world.

The Gerald H. Read Center has hosted the ILEP scholars over the past 10 years, and has engaged the community in global learning through cultural presentations. Due to the initiative and support of Professor Marty Jencius, and Graduate Assistant Abdoulaye Fall, the live streaming was made possible.

In addition to 19 ILEP scholars, The Center currently has 20 visiting scholars from China, Turkey, Jordan and Spain in residence.
The Gerald H. Read Center Travel Award Winners

Every year the Gerald H. Read Center awards scholarships for study abroad. Winning the Dr. Candace Hughes International Student Teaching Award is **Lauren Jones** who will leave later this month to student teaching in Spain through the C.O.S. T. program. **Rachel Kirker** is the winner of the Roger and Judith Read Travel Award for participating in the study abroad program, Deaf Education in Mexico.

Each fall the Center for International and Intercultural Education has a fundraiser featuring FAIR TRADE items from around the world, and through the generous support of the Kent campus community, we are able to award two awards this year to students studying abroad. **Amy Rietschlin** who will be participating in the study abroad program, Educational Psychology and Relational Learning in Florence, Italy and to **Cristin Williams** who will be going to New Zealand to complete her student teaching through C.O.S.T.

Hundreds of the countries in the world celebrate **March 8th as International Women’s Day**. The first women’s day was observed in 1909 in New York as a remembrance of the international working women’s union strike. Today people internationally celebrate March 8th to honor and empower women.

**Persian New Year—Norooz or Nowruz** is celebrated on **March 21st**, the first day of spring in Iran, Turkey, Middle East, Caucasus region and Central Asia. Although the United Nation’s General Assembly recognized International Day of Nowrooz in 2010, the spring festival has been celebrated over 3,000 years.

**Distinguished Lecture Series:**

March 1, 2016 at 12:00-1:30 pm  
200 White Hall  
**China: Tourism, Dating & Marriage, & Cuisine**  
**Chunyan Zhou, Chongqing Normal University**  
**Donglin Kuang, Chongqing University of Science & Technology**  
**Runmei Xing, Xinzhou Teachers University**

March 9, 2016 at 12:00-1:30 pm  
200 White Hall  
**English as a Foreign Language & its Impact on Critical Thinking**  
**Yanmaei Huai, South China Agricultural University**  
**Fei Deng, South China Agricultural University**

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