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A New Decade, A Renewed Grant, and an Enhanced Mission



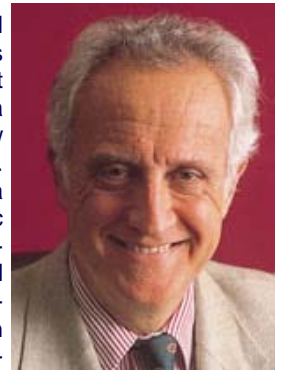
Dr. Rebecca Friedman
Co-Director, MEUCE, FIU

This year marks not only the eleventh year of the Miami-Florida European Union Center of Excellence (MEUCE) but also a renewed three-year grant cycle. The center is composed of a collaboration between the University of Miami and Florida International University. It is one of ten centers selected in the U.S. by the European Commission to receive the grant. The

grant allows our center to promote the study of the European Union and EU-US relations. The funds from the grant support numerous programs and activities including research, academic instruction and functions, out-reach programs and more. "We are extremely excited," commented Dr. Rebecca Friedman, FIU's MEUCE Co-Director, "to have the honor of getting the grant again. Along with continuing a lot of the programming we have been doing in the past, we have added a few new things, especially in our relationship with the community." The center is planning on adding a monthly or bi-monthly breakfast meeting and discussion downtown. Diplomats, professionals from the business community, members of the chambers of commerce, and others community actors will be invited to hear from different European speakers that the center would bring in. This would occur at either locations the community suggest or at the SIPA downtown location on Brickell Avenue. Another addition to the MEUCE agenda will include a collaboration with the School of Engineering. "We would like to bring in one European scientist a year to come in order to bring together people from various embassies, from the EU delegation in Washington, faculty and industry, to discuss issues of innovation in Europe and to share knowledge," commented Dr. Friedman. The grant will also supports the center in continuing what they have done in the past. For example, the successful annual Euro challenge, which brings

together high school students and teachers to learn more about Europe and have a chance to go to New York, Washington D.C. and even Brussels, a series of academic talks that include various diplomats and practitioners, the annual European Union "Global Europe" conference, and the continuation of awarding grants for faculty and graduate students interested in

the study of the European Union. A few partner institutions have also been added this grant cycle, including Miami Dade College and Barry University. A teacher workshop is also scheduled to be held at University of Central Florida in Orlando in Spring 2012 and there will be one every year at a different partner institution. Our MEUCE, in conjunction with The European studies Program at FIU has revived its student organization this year, the European Studies Student Association (ESSA). While the MEUCE grant does not fund them directly, the European Studies Program and the MEUCE have a "mutually beneficial" relationship and are "all part of the same mission," commented Dr. Friedman. The European Union Center/European Studies Program at FIU has also added a graduate certificate to their program and expanded their Polish Lecture Series. As Dr. Friedman puts it, the MEUCE is "honored and excited to keep doing what we are doing and expanding our reach."



Dr. Joaquín Roy
Co-Director, MEUCE, UM

By: Michelle Perez



Euro Challenge winning teachers: Summer Trip to Brussels

This summer three Florida high school teachers eagerly participated in a study tour to Brussels. Twenty faculty advisors whose schools participated in the Euro Challenge 2011 were able to partake of the unique opportunity to learn more about the European Union and Europe in general. The trip, which took place from July 9th to 14th, was generously organized and supported by the Delegation of the European Union in Washington D.C. Throughout the trip, the teachers had the opportunity to hear from experts on an array of issues including: the structure and function of the EU, the current legislation on the table, the current economic situation, and US/EU relations. The teachers also had the distinct opportunity of visiting the EU External Action Service, the Council of the European Union, the European Commission, The US Mission to the EU and the EU Parliament.

Teacher Testimonials



Daniel Vinat
Felix Varela Senior HS
Teacher, Social Studies

"The Euro Challenge Teacher's trip to Brussels was an amazing experience. Throughout the trip we had the opportunity to hear from experts on issues ranging for the structure and function of the EU, to current legisla-

tion on the table, the current economic situation to US/EU relations. Had had the pleasure of visiting the EU External Action Service, the Council of the European Union, the European Commission, The US Mission to the EU and the EU Parliament. Through the many informative meetings throughout the trip, I gained valuable resources to share with my Euro Challenge Team. I have gain a new and better perspective on the EU, its workings and its future. It was great to hear from those working in the EU on the current economic crisis, the recovery and recent activity in Greece, Italy, Spain, Ireland and Portugal. It was a very timely trip as the EU was making hard decision on the Greek



Selected Teachers for the trip to Brussels

economic situation. I was able to bring back posters, magazines, pamphlets and other print materials to use in the classroom and with my team, with current information and in depth analysis on issues. It was also nice to meet 18 teachers from around the country. When teachers come together there is always talk about best practices and issues related to education. We also had an opportunity to share our Europe Challenge experiences, having novice and veteran team sponsors. It was also nice to be able to take in some of the sites of Brussels, a very international city."



Nancy Abay
Hialeah Garden HS
Teacher, Social
Studies Department

"The Euro Challenge Teacher's Study Trip was fascinating and informative. One of the most important aspects of the trip was talking to experts within the EU. We had various lectures from the multiple government agencies of the EU and they were very welcoming in

allowing our questions. They were supportive in our quest for understanding the EU and imparting that information for when we return to our classrooms in the fall. The information I gained I not only can share with my Euro Challenge participants, but also with the other classes I teach like Economics and Government. The current economic crisis and the challenges the EU faces dealing with 27 member countries and 17 countries that use the euro is better understood when you get to hear from experts that work daily within the EU. You realize the significance of the relationship, not only the peace set forth and economic cooperation among member states but also EU -US relations. The visit to the US Mission to the EU expressed the importance of the trade and investment relationship between the two countries and the political and economic challenges each face in the perceptions that they have with one another. It was invaluable getting to hear the European point of view and be able to see how they view themselves and their interdependence on the success of the euro and within the global economic community. The External Action Service provided talks on transatlantic relations, human rights, humanitarian law, internal market, energy, climate change and other various topics. We visited the European Commission Directorate for Education and Culture that provided insight on education policies of the EU. We visited the European Commission Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs that explained economic policies and chal-

Euro Challenge winning teachers: Summer Trip to Brussels (con't)

lenges the ECB and banking institutions of Europe face going forward. In fact we were in Brussels the same week that the bank stress tests results were to be released and we were able to discuss with economists the possible results and actions that would take place. I thank the agencies of the EU especially the EU Delegation in Washington that arranged this teacher's study group to Brussels. Thanks also to our representative from the EU Delegation, Stacy Hope, who acted as our liaison and guide with the different EU agencies in Brussels. I met wonderful and knowledgeable teachers from around the US on this trip. We were able to obtain free resources produced by the EU to use in the classroom as we teach our students about the European Union and take on the challenge of competing in the Euro Challenge. It was a wonderful experience all around."



This has a very important dimension in that it is the center of cooperation between the EU and the United States. In addition, we witnessed on July 12 the launch plan to rescue Greece. The biggest "discovery" or "rediscovery" of this trip was to go beyond economic indicators and figures recalling the ideology that unites European countries. In three days in Brussels, an international city where all people meet, I felt European and the whole group became Europhile! The most significant moment of this journey in Brussels was the testimony of one of the economists we encountered. This lady noted her story, stressing that without European integration, it would have been very different. Of Portuguese nationality, she had fled the dictatorship of Salazar. Today she officiates in Brussels, one of her daughters studied in Paris and the other works in London. It is this human dimension that I wish to convey to my students. And I keep these three days of intense images of a beautiful and enchanting Europe. It was a wonderful gift."

By Michelle Perez



Raphaëlle Canele
International Studies
Charter HS
Teacher of Economics
and Social Sciences

"The main purpose of this study tour was to discover 'the headquarters of the European Union' and to share this experience with other American teachers participating in the Euro Challenge. More than half of the professors who were present in Brussels were American and they participated in various ideological exchanges. Our cultures and our approaches are different. It was very interesting to talk to a Professor of political science from New York or an Economics professor from another American city on the complexities of the competition when living in Brussels. During the three days of this mission, we met with many experts including many economists who explained to us the stimulus plan and the design of the financial stability fund established last year. We had the opportunity to be in the heart of the decision centers: the offices of the European Council, the European Parliament and the headquarters of the European Commission. We were also welcomed at the Embassy of the United States to the European Union.



Another study tour to Brussels will be offered this summer to teachers who will participate in the Euro Challenge Competition

Italy for the Summer



This summer, Florida International University students participated in the exciting study abroad program in Genoa, Italy offered by the FIU European Studies program in conjunction with the University of Genoa. "When browsing potential programs," commented FIU International Relations student Monica Quincosa, "the Genoa program stuck out like a sore thumb—not only because of the low program cost or the thought of all of the potential lustfully delicious food possibilities available for my consumption in Italy, but also because of the program itself. Italian history and sociology are two topics that I find fascinating, and the opportunity to study them in the actual location where it all took place was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity". Students can earn credits towards their BA or towards their European Certificate while taking in all this history and culture the romantic city has to offer. According to FIU history and art history major, Denisse Solis, "studying abroad not only allowed me to travel and become independent but also established my love for History and allowed me to compare how the Italians view the United States. I think every History major should participate in this program or a program like this because it is essential in understanding History.

It has been one of the best college experiences and I feel very grateful to have been a participant." Classes included :**SYO 4370:** Work and Society, **EUH 4286:** Topics in European History: Modern Italian Social History, and **FOL 3955:** Italian Language and Culture. Solis found the program especially enriching since by having access to classic Italian museums, "The program allowed me to get a closer look at how they preserve their items, what exactly the museum staff does and how they acquire their pieces. The classes focused on comparing the United States and Italy in the 1920s and 1930s using the museum collection in both the Wolfsonian and Wolfsoniana. Professor Fasce and Cavalieri in Italy were very helpful and knowledgeable. We also had an Italian language course which was always fun and we learned enough to communicate with other Genovese. Both of our professors became not only our instructors but also our guides to the city and helped us approach and understand cultural differences. Personally, I will never forget the experience or the apartment I lived in and the medieval streets I walked on. I come across it constantly in my studies. Studying abroad not only allowed me to travel and become independent but

also established my love for History and understand how the Italians view the United States." commented Solis. Besides attending classes and participating in activities within Genoa, students were able to embark on excursion trips that included destinations such as Florence, Rome, Milan, Torino and even Berlin.

By Michelle Perez



Suspended between the Apennine Mountains and the Mediterranean, Genoa has been an important port city for more than two and a half Millennia. The city boasts a population of 600,000 and it encompasses Italy's largest port as well as Europe's largest preserved Medieval city center. Genoa has a rich artistic history, with numerous paintings, frescos, sculptures and other pieces of art held in the city's copious museums, churches, palaces, piazzas, villas, and galleries. Genoa is home to 'Liguria School', where significant painters, such as Rubens, Van Dyck and Bernardo Strozzi attended.



FIU student Monica Quincosa and other students in beautiful Venice, one of the numerous excursions students participated in.

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FIU Honor Students Summer Class in France:



Art, War, and Human Rights



Students in Le Mans, France

This summer, FIU Honors College students had the amazing opportunity to participate in a one- a- kind experience. FIU Honors College professor, and winner of the MEUCE Faculty Curriculum Development grant, John Bailly developed the study abroad course *Art, War, and Human Rights*. The course concentrated primarily on two events; the French Revolution and World War II looking at France and the US in particular and their struggle to establish or "re-establish" human rights. "The French Revolution initialized social reforms with ideas of liberty, equality, and fraternity, the Second World War witnessed the unification of the Allies to defend these principles" says Bailly. The interdisciplinary course not only focused on the history of the two events but also examined the notion of the "Revolution of ideas and how that manifested itself in the arts" commented Bailly. Students not only studied in France but also visited significant sites such as Omaha Beach, the American Cemetery in Normandy, and Strasbourg where students were able to cross the bridge that unites Germany and France on a class bicycle trip. They also were able to visit the EU Council, and attend the Commemoration of La Rafle du Vel d'Hiv in Le Mans, France, in honor of the French holocaust survivor Joseph Weismann. The students presented Mr. Weismann with an Honors College medallion and had the unique opportunity

to be invited to his home. For Chavely Valdes-Sanchez, an FIU sophomore, "This was one of my favorite days of the trip because it was definitely one of the most emotional days of all. It felt incredible to be in the presence of such great people and more importantly to listen to someone who has gone through such evil that one should ever have to encounter but still have such a great and compassionate heart. Most of our days were this special and that's what made this trip unforgettable." Students also had free time to explore the city on their own. For many, the summer abroad program left a lasting impression. For FIU Liberal Studies student, Melanie Martinez, her favorite experiences of the study abroad course, were hiking the Normandy beaches with the class and reading in the park under the shade of Notre Dame on her own time. "The first really made me feel a connection with history and all the soldiers who lost their lives there doing World War II. The second one allowed me to appreciate the way of life and day to day experiences of



Professor John Bailly with students in front of the Eiffel Tower in Paris

being a local Parisian. This study abroad more than either of my other two helped me realize how different the two cultures are and yet how alike the human experience is" says Martinez. For Valdes-Sanchez, the trip was also unique. "This experience was a once in a lifetime experience. We traveled with the purpose of learning and gaining greater knowledge about the world. I would have to say that this trip taught me to be a student not only in the classroom but outside of it as well."

By Michelle Perez

Students interested in the program for next summer can contact the Honors College at FIU Maidique Campus DM 233 John Bailly or Cecile Houry T: 305.348.4100 - E: baillyj@fiu.edu or choury@fiu.edu W: <http://honors.fiu.edu/> - educationabroad@fiu.edu - W: educationabroad.fiu.edu

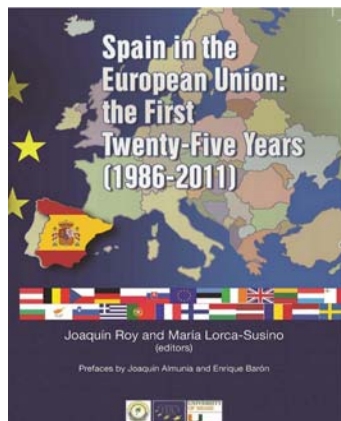


Students at the home of Holocaust survivor, Joseph Weismann

Summer European Book Tour with MEUCE Co-director Dr. Joaquín Roy



Dr. Joaquín Roy, Co-Director, MEUCE, University of Miami



Dr. Roy presenting his latest book at the Delegation of the EU in Barcelona

This summer, Dr. Joaquín Roy, traveled around numerous beautiful European capitals attending conferences and scholarly discussions in promotion of his latest volume of the series, *Spain in the European Union: the First Twenty-Five Years (1986-2011)*. The Jean Monnet Professor of European Integration at the University of Miami and Co-Director of the Miami-Florida European Union Center of Excellence, has written and edited dozens of books, articles, anthologies and more on the subject of European politics, economy, and culture, looking particularly at Spain. Dr. Roy is a frequent summer visitor and guest at an array of European universities and political institutions. The book was presented this summer along European political and academic debates in Brussels, Luxemburg, Barcelona, Tarragona, Rome, Madrid and Oporto.

-Book Presentation Series- 2011 Summer Tour Dates:

- Miami, FL. "Spain in the EU". Book presentation and debate. Spanish Cultural Center. May 9, 2011.
- Brussels, Belgium. Book presentation and debate: "Spain in the European Union", Permanent Representation of Spain to the European Union, May 31, 2011.
- Barcelona, Spain. Book presentation and debate. "Spain in the European Union: The First 25 Years (1986-2011)". Delegation of the EU in Barcelona, June 16, 2011.
- Madrid, Spain. "Spain in the European Union" Closing lecture and book presentation. Annual Congress of AUDESCO (Association of Studies on the EU). Universidad Complutense, AUDESCO-ECSA June 24, 2011.
- Luxemburg. "Spain in the EU" Book presentation. Delegation of the EU in Luxemburg. "Maison de l'Europe", June 27, 2011.
- Tarragona, Spain. "La Unió Europea en un món multipolar". Closing lecture of summer course on the EU and book presentation. Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Tarragona, July 1, 2011.
- Rome, Italy. "Spain in the European Union: The First 25 Years (1986-2011)". Book presentation. Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Rome, Italy, July 8, 2011.
- Oporto, Portugal. "Spain in the European Union". Book presentation. World Conference of the International Studies Association. August 18, 2011.



Madrid: Dr. Roy, Carmen Hernandez, and Donato Fernandez



Rome: Dr. Roy and Dr. Federiga Bindi

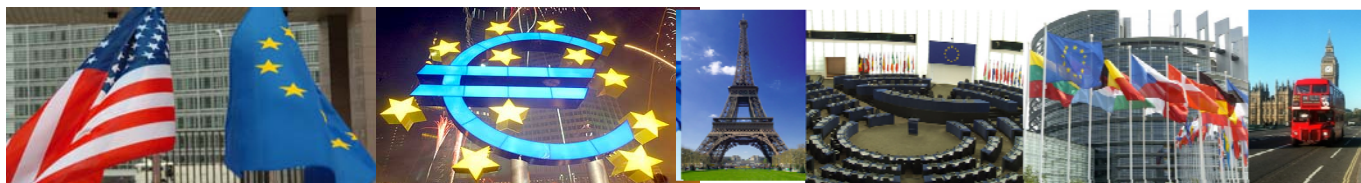


The summer course on the EU held at the University Rovira i Virgili in Tarragona, south from Barcelona, was closed by Dr. Joaquín Roy with a lecture and book presentation.



Dr. Roy presenting his book at the Delegation of the EU in Brussels

Faculty Research and Faculty Curriculum Development Grants Awarded by MEUCE



The FIU-MEUCE organizes an annual competition that awards research and curriculum development grants to prospective faculty and graduate students of FIU and their partner institutions. Winners are provided financial support for travel, archival access, and other important aspects that enable them to successfully carry out their research or create new curriculum. "Using the research grant awarded to me by the European Union Center of Excellence, I was able to travel to Cambridge, England, to study materials housed in the Churchill Archive Center at Churchill College, Cambridge," commented Faculty Research Grant recipient, FAU professor Oliver Buckton, for his project, *Spy Mania: British Espionage Literature and European Politics 1900-1914*. "Due to the generosity of the award from EUCE, I was able to study rare first editions of early spy novels that have long been out of print," said Buckton. FIU professor George Philippidis also received the Faculty Research Grant for his project, *Florida -EU Research Collaboration in Biomass Conversion to Biofuels*. Along with research grants, the MEUCE also awards faculty funds in order to support the development of curricula that is based or infused with European content. Faculty Curriculum Development Grant recipient, Dr. Jeffrey Morton used the funds to expand an existing program and course on Di-

plomacy and the Model EU. According to Dr. Morton, the Diplomacy Program at FAU "provides undergraduate students with unique out-of-classroom learning opportunities." Students are schooled in various skills of diplomacy such as public speaking, parliamentary procedure and conflict resolution; which enables their participation in several conferences. "Traditionally," commented Dr. Morton, "the FAU Diplomacy Program only competed in various model United Nations competitions. Program expansion in 2011, however, has allowed FAU student delegations to travel to additional simulations. Beginning in 2012, thanks to the grant received from FIU, the Diplomacy Program will begin competing in the Midwest Model European Union simulation held in Indianapolis." Another recipient of the Faculty Curriculum Development Grant was FIU Honors College professor John Bailly. The grant enhanced the development the study abroad course in *France Art, War, and Human Rights* which focuses primarily on the French Revolution and WWII. The grant allowed Professor Bailly to develop contacts with French holocaust survivor Joseph Weismann whom the students had the unique opportunity to visit in his home. "The Grant also enabled us to visit and work with people at American cemetery in Normandy and to really engage the subject right next to Omaha beach.

Thanks to the grant the students also visited the council of Europe and were able to engage in a conversation with the people at the council about the condition of human rights today in Europe" commented Professor Bailly.

The MEUCE will continue to award Faculty grants and open the possibilities to potential applicants from their partner institutions.



By: Michelle Perez

Faculty Research Grant 2011



Oliver Buckton
FAU



George Philippidis
FIU

Faculty Curriculum Development Grant 2011



John Bailly
FIU



Jeffrey Morton
FAU



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September 2011

Friday, Sept. 16 | 10:30am– 12:00pm

FIU, MMC - Green Library—GL 220

MEUCE Lecture

“Creating and sustaining biofuels markets: a comparative analysis of policy in the EU, US, and Brazil”

- Dr. Robert Ackrill
Professor of European Economics and Policy
Nottingham Trent University—UK

Monday, Sept. 19 | 10:00am and 2:30 pm

FIU, MMC - Frost Art Museum “Café”

SIPA / MEUCE Lectures

- 10:00am – 11:00am : *“US-Spain Relations Today”*
The Honorable Alan Solomont, US Ambassador to Spain
- 2:30pm– 03:30pm
*“Through the lens of the Czech Experience:
The Arab Spring and other Narratives of Transformation”*
His Excellency Karel Schwarzenberg
First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of
Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic

Tuesday, Sept. 20 | 5:00 pm – 7:00pm

FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 150

MEUCE European Film Series

Spanish Film: “Pan’s Labyrinth”

Wednesday, Sept. 21 | 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

FIU, MMC - College of Law—RDB 1000

SIPA / MEUCE Lecture

“Georgia Experience with Democracy”

- Georgi Baramidze, Vice Prime Minister of Georgia

Monday, Sept. 26 | 8:30pm – 9:45pm

FIU, MMC - College of Law—Courtroom 1000

MEUCE Roundtable

“The Death Penalty: European and International Perspectives”

- Hon. Cristina Barrios, Consul General of Spain
- Hon. Eva Alexandra Countess Kendeffy,
Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany
- Hon. Gaël de Maisonneuve, Consul General of France
- Professor Megan Fairlie, Assistant Professor,
College of Law, FIU
- Professor Scott Fingerhut, Assistant Director,
Trial Advocacy Program and Honors College Fellow,
College of Law, FIU
- Professor Noah Weisbord, Assistant Professor,
College of Law, FIU and SIPA Fellow

Thursday, Sept. 29 | 5:30pm – 7:00pm

FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 140

European Film Screening

French Film Series: “Donoma”

October 2011

Wednesday, Oct. 19 | 05:00pm – 7:30pm

FIU, MMC - PG-5 Market Station—Room 153

MEUCE / ASIAN STUDIES / CEPEX Seminar

“The Future of Nuclear Power in a Post-Fukushima World”

- Dr. Steve Heine, Director, Asian Studies, FIU
- Dr. Rebecca Friedman, Director, MEUCE, FIU
- Kiichiro Sato
President, Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO), NY
- Mark Holt
Energy Policy Specialist Congressional Research Service (CRS)
- Hon. Eva Alexandra Countess Kendeffy,
Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany
- Hon. Gaël de Maisonneuve, Consul General of France
- Dr. Jerry Brown, Founding Professor, GSS, FIU
- Dr. Joerg Reinhold, Associate Professor
Experimental Nuclear Physics, Dept. of Physics, FIU

Friday, Oct. 21 | 1:30pm - 5:30pm

FIU, MMC - SIPA 502-503

MEUCE Euro Challenge Competition Teacher Orientation

Monday, Oct. 24 | 12:00pm - 2:00pm

FIU, MMC - Frost Art Museum - room 107

Blanka Rosenstiel Lecture Series on Poland Roundtable Discussion

“Perspectives on the EU Polish Presidency”

- Dr. Michael Bernhard
Raymond and Miriam Ehrlich Eminent Scholar and Chair
of the Dept of Political Science, University of Florida
- Dr. Tatiana Kostadinova, Associate Professor
Politics and International Relations Dept., FIU
- Dr. Jan Kubik, Associate Professor and Chair of
Undergraduate Studies, Dep. of Political Science, Rutgers, NJ

Wednesday, Oct. 26 | 1:00pm – 3:00pm

FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 140

European Film Screening—French Film Series
“Entre nos mains”

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November 2011

Nov. 9-23 - French Week

- Wednesday, Nov. 9 – March 18, 2012
FIU, MMC - Frost Art Museum
Exhibition: “Tour de France/Florida: Contemporary Artists from France in Florida’s Private Collections”
In collaboration with the Consulate General of France Cultural Services and the France Florida Foundation for the Arts.
- Thursday, Nov. 10 | 2:00pm - 3:00pm
FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 343
French Video Analysis of: “Chansons Françaises” with Azadeh Peykani
- Thursday, Nov. 10 | 3:30pm - 4:30pm
FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 343
French Lecture Series: “A Year with the French” with Carolina Romero
- Thursday, Nov. 10 | 4:00pm - 5:00pm
FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 1235
“Groupe de Lecture” with Peter Osne
- Monday, Nov. 14 | 01:00pm - 3:00pm
FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 140
European Film Screening
French Film Series: “La vie au ranch”
- Tuesday, Nov. 15 | 12:00pm - 1:00pm
FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 314
French Lecture and Quizz: “Cultural Awareness Day: France!”
- Tuesday, Nov. 15 | 4:00pm - 5:00pm
FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 1235
“Groupe de Lecture” with Peter Osne
- Tuesday, Nov. 15 | 7:30pm - 9:00 p.m.
FIU, MMC - FIU Astropad
Le Petit Prince Stargazing Party

November 2011

- Wednesday, Nov. 16 | 12:00pm - 2:00pm
FIU, MMC - Green Library—GL 220
European Film Screening: “Nous Nous Sommes Tant Haïs”
- Wednesday, Nov. 16 | 12:00pm - 2:00pm
FIU, MMC - Frost Art Museum—Atrium
Exhibition: “Voyageurs”
French student artists, **Andrea Lahoz** (photography) and **Jorge Fernandez** (paintings), will present their works
- Wednesday, Nov. 16 | 2:00pm - 3:00 p.m.
FIU, MMC - Primera Casa—PC 113
Information Session: “Fulbright Scholarship”
The Office of Education Abroad at FIU invites you to join an information session about the Fulbright scholarship.
- Thursday, Nov. 17 | 03:30pm - 6:00pm
FIU, MMC - Green Library—GL 220
Exhibition: “The Ilham Mendjeli Collection”
Professor Ilham M. Lakehal will present his work at an art exhibit titled “The Ilham Mendjeli Collection.”
- Monday, Nov. 21 | 12:00pm - 1:30pm
FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 325
Cooking Class: “A Taste of France”
Chef **Bob Gilardi** will teach how to make typical French dishes.
- Monday, Nov. 21 | 11:00am - 12:30pm
FIU, MMC - College of Law - Courtroom 1000
Blanka Rosenstiel Lecture Series on Poland
Deputy Chief of Mission of the Embassy of the Republic of Poland, **Maciej Pisarski**.
- Wednesday, Nov. 23 | 11:00am -12:30pm
FIU, MMC - Green Library—GL 220
Presentation - “Campus France”
Camille Trzaska, representative from **Campus France** will do a presentation on where to study in France

December 2011

- Tuesday, Dec. 6 | 08:30am – 2:30pm
FIU, MMC - Graham Center—GC 243
Euro Challenge Student Orientation

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NEW GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EUROPEAN STUDIES

About the Graduate Certificate

- This multidisciplinary certificate brings together faculty expertise and student interest in European Studies.
- This certificate will be open to our Master's and Doctoral students.
- Certificate students will be asked to take a variety of courses with European content from a number of disciplines that reach across the humanities, social sciences and the arts.
- This Graduate Certificate is designed so that students can demonstrate substantive knowledge about specific aspects of European culture, history, politics, economics and society, as well as demonstrate language competency and gain a broader understanding of Europe, the EU and its relationship to other parts of the globe.
- The Graduate Certificate in European Studies can be pursued independently or in conjunction with another graduate program at FIU. The program is ideal for students interested in pursuing graduate studies in European Studies but are unable to complete a Master's or who are already pursuing a graduate degree, but desire a broader, more multidisciplinary area studies perspective.

Requirements



The program requires 15 credits hours (5 courses) on Europe from at least 2 academic disciplines (different course prefixes)

- ▶ **GPA:** 3.0 or higher average required from undergraduate course of study ▶ **GRE:** Not required
- ▶ **TOEFL:** Required for all foreign graduates (550 paper-based, 80 internet-based or 6.5 on IELTS exam)
- ▶ **Prescribed Courses and Other requirements**
 - Students must take **five European-content classes** in at least **two academic disciplines** (different course prefixes). Available courses will be listed on our website www.europe.fiu.edu each semester.
 - All students must earn a grade of "**B**" or better in each course.

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MEUCE Associate Director, Christine I. Caly-Sanchez with Euro-Challenge student participants from Miami Palmetto Senior High school and Ambassador João Vale de Almeida, Head of the EU Delegation to the US in Washington D.C.

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Euro Challenge Competition 2012

High school teachers and students are invited to participate in the sixth annual Euro Challenge competition. The Miami-Florida European Union Center of Excellence (MEUCE) has once again invited teachers and students from fifteen different high-schools to participate and learn about European history, currency, and economy for a chance to win not only cash prizes, but also a trip to New York City and Washington, DC. This years teacher orientation will take place at FIU on October 21. The student orientation will be held on December 6. An official from the Delegation of the European Union in Washington D.C., and David Anderson, Executive Vice President, Working in Support of Education, will lecture on the topic: "Competition Overview", "From Europe to the Euro", "The Current Economic Situation in the Euro Area", and "Economic Challenges in the Euro Area." The selected students will then compete in Miami on March 20, 2012.

► Free Trip to Brussels for three Florida high school Teachers!

During the summer, a study tour to Brussels is offered to teachers from participating schools to learn more about the European Union and euro area.

For details please visit: www.euro-challenge.org or contact Christine I. Caly-Sanchez at MEUCE at FIU