One World Initiative celebrates another productive year

Sacramento State’s One World Initiative will hold its second end-of-year celebration Monday, April 21, at the University Union.

The exciting mix of events will include three components:

- A student symposium on migration from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Redwood Room will feature some 50 students presenting their perspectives on migration through talks, posters, exhibits and other items.

- A faculty panel discussion on migration from 1:30 to 2:45 p.m. in University Union Ballroom II will consist of four faculty members from very different disciplines engaging in a discussion on how migration fits into their intellectual and creative work. Panelists will include Professors Patrick Ettinger, History; Lorelei Bayne, Theatre and Dance; Manuel Barajas, Sociology; and Ron Coleman, Biological Sciences.

- A keynote panel discussion will be held from 3 to 4:15 p.m. in University Union Ballroom III. Three distinguished panelists are coming to campus to talk about migration and answer audience questions: Carlos Gonzalez Gutierrez, consul general of Mexico; Debra DeBondt, CEO of Opening Doors Inc., a local nonprofit that assists refugees and the victims of human trafficking; and James P. Allen, emeritus professor of geography, California State University, Northridge, who is an expert on California demographics and migration’s effect.

The One World Initiative, headed by Geology Professor Lisa Hammersley, is a “campus-wide initiative intended to bring together and highlight the many global engagement opportunities at Sacramento State, both within the curriculum and within the broader campus environment,” Hammersley says. “Using the successful One Book model, the One World Initiative works to engage the campus community in discussion and activities around a single topic of global importance.

“The inaugural 2012-2013 theme, ‘Global Perspectives on Water,’ was highly successful, being incorporated into numerous course syllabi and generating over 40 water-related events across campus.”
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