

GEN group 2019 Adventures!

From September 9 to September 29 Kirkwood hosted 17 guests from Global Education Network (GEN). GEN is a collaboration of premier post-secondary education institutions formed to enhance the employability of students through global education and cultural exchange. The group participated in Kirkwood courses, industry visits and cultural excursions. (Read more on page 3 in Eagles Abroad).



(Pictured at Left) GEN group in front of "Cloud Gate" at Millennium Park in Chicago, Illinois. (Above) GEN group at Maquoketa Caves State Park, in Maquoketa, Iowa.

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Students volunteer on National Day of Service



the top sill plate and putting in reinforcement boards for cabinet installation. Many new construction skills were learned along with how to safely use power equipment. The students enjoyed helping to build homes for deserving families.

International students observed September 11th National Day of Service and Remembrance by volunteering at Habitat for Humanity, helping with the construction of two houses in Fairfax, Iowa. Students worked in small groups building walls, adding



100!

We are celebrating the one hundredth issue of the International Programs Student Newsletter! Also known as Global Connections. The first person to send an email to international@kirkwood.edu to acknowledge this will get a prize!

International Programs **Calendar of Events**

- ▶ **Oct 1st** – **Global Spotlight** ⇨ **Tunisia**
- ▶ **Oct 7th** – **Visiting University** ⇨ 10 am – 1 pm, table in Cedar Hall, 3rd floor – Carroll University.
- ▶ **Oct 8th** – **Health & Wellness Day** ⇨ 10am–1pm. In Iowa Hall. Join us for info on how to stay healthy in College.
- ▶ **Oct 9th** – **Visiting University** ⇨ 11 am – 2 pm, table in Cedar Hall, 3rd floor – University of Wisconsin Stout,
- ▶ **Oct 17th** – **Lunch & Learn** ⇨ 11:15 - 12:15pm, Cedar Hall 3059. Bring your lunch and join us to learn about Tunisia.
- ▶ **Oct 22nd** – **Exploring Majors Fair** ⇨ 11:15am, Iowa Hall. Learn more about the majors/programs Kirkwood offers.
- ▶ **Oct 30th** – **Pumpkin Carving Contest** ⇨ Cedar Rapids. & **Pumpkin Carving & Pizza Party!** ⇨ Iowa City,
(See page 4 for more details.)

F1 Student **Features**

- Thinking about transferring after you leave Kirkwood? Check out the Event Calendar for information about two universities visiting Kirkwood this month.
- The Kirkwood scholarship application for next year has opened! Apply at www.kirkwood.edu/scholarships
- As midterms approach, keep in mind that tutors are available if you are struggling with a class. It's better to get help early so that you can succeed in your classes!

Global Food Fair Fun!

Kirkwood students and staff at both Iowa City and Cedar Rapids campuses helped to celebrate "Welcome Week". Cedar Rapids hosted their Global Food Fest on Tuesday, September 17th and Iowa City hosted on Thursday the 19th. All were welcome to bring a dish and to sample the international fare.



GEN 2019 (cont.)

This year's GEN group included 12 students and one faculty leader from Institute of Technical Education (ITE) Singapore and three students and one faculty leader from Box Hill Institute (BHI) in Melbourne, Australia. Students participated in classes and industry visits in Early Childhood Education, Human Services, Hospitality Management, Human Resources, Web Technologies, Nursing and Veterinary Technology. Cultural excursions included visits to Maquoketa Caves State Park, Iowa City, a Prairie High School football game, Bloomsbury Farm and a weekend excursion to Chicago. Students and faculty interested learning more about GEN opportunities should www.globaledunetwork.org. This year Kirkwood students can study abroad on GEN programs in Australia, Canada, Singapore, Kirkwood (Design Thinking) and a service-learning program in Thailand.

**Alumni Spotlight****International Student Alumni of the Month**

Moutaz Thabet is originally from Egypt. He participated in the Community College Initiative "CCI" program 2016/17. He majored in fire science at Kirkwood Community College. His study-abroad experience has helped him immensely with discovering his areas of strength.

Moutaz found that volunteering was one great way to not only mingle with others and make new friends but also to pay back for the host community. Winter weather of Iowa was something he never experienced before in his entire life. The best difference between the U.S. and his home country is that food diversity in the U.S. is unmatched, and he certainly took advantage of that. He and his family are now permanent residents of Canada, and he plans to visit the U.S. soon to see the good friends he made during his stay.
P.S.: Thanks Iowa for preparing him for the winters of Canada!

Study Abroad Alumni of the Month

Callie Hahn is non-traditional student from Keota, Iowa working towards her Liberal Arts Degree. Meanwhile, she works full time as a hairstylist at Groovy Katz Salon and Spa in Iowa City. This year she traveled to Turkey with a mutual friend from Kirkwood. During the summer of 2017 Callie participated in

two study abroad programs: India Culture and Service and Costa Rica Environmental Science and Ethics. Callie says study abroad brought her new perspectives and new interests. "India's culture inspired me to cook curry dishes and experiment with henna on my friends. While, Costa Rica has given me a greater appreciation of our environment and how we can support it's livelihood with sustainable practices." Callie's advice to potential study abroad students, "there is so much to learn out in the world and study abroad expands our knowledge to better understand it."

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GENERAL INFO

Iowa City

Iowa City Halloween Pumpkin Carving & Pizza Party

Wednesday, October 30th – 5:30-
7:30 pm., Iowa City campus Café
RSVP to: Shristi, Sultan or
Kristie Leeman,
Kristie.leeman@kirkwood.edu



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International

Advisors at

Iowa City Campus

Schedule of dates advisors will
be on Iowa City Campus

Oct 1 – 11:00am – 4:00pm

Oct 2 – 8:00am – 4:00pm

Oct 8 – 11:00am – 4:00pm

Oct 9 – 8:00am – 4:00pm

Oct 15 – 11:00am – 4:00pm

Oct 16 – 8:00am – 4:00pm

Oct 22 – 11:00am – 4:00pm

Oct 29 – 11:00am – 4:00pm

Oct 30 – 8:00am – 4:00pm

Community Resources

Have questions regarding the re-
sources available to the community
at the Iowa City Campus?

Please contact

Betty Adams, Center Coordinator
319-887-3610

betty.adams@kirkwood.edu

Contact us

Phone - 319-887-3658

Address: 1816 Lower Muscatine Rd.,
Iowa City, IA 52240

Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Friday: 8 a.m. - Noon

Cedar Rapids

Global Spotlight

Kirkwood's International Programs is
featuring the country of **Tunisia** as our
"Global Spotlight" country for October.
The students from Tunisia will have the
opportunity to showcase their country
and its culture. Join us on Oct. 17th for
their Lunch and learn presentation at
11:15 - 12:15pm, Cedar Hall 3059. All
are welcome.

Join us to learn all about STEM

The STEM (Science, Technol-
ogy, Engineering, Mathe-
matics) Club is open to all
students and it is run by stu-
dents. We provide pizza at
each meeting and do a fun
group activity. It is a great
way to meet students and
get involved. You do not
need to be a STEM major to
come to the meetings. We
meet at 11:15 on the follow-
ing Tuesdays in Linn Hall
room 3126: Sept 3 & 16,
Oct 1 & 15, Nov 5 & 19,
Dec.3. Check us out any-
time!
You can talk to any Math or
Science instructor if you
want more information.

Cedar Rapids Halloween Pumpkin Carving Contest

Wednesday, October 30th
4:30–6:30 pm., 1154 Linn Hall
RSVP to: Jane Ann Rix at:
Jane.rix@kirkwood.edu



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A college library is a great place to come and study

We have both quiet study areas and
group study rooms. Did your instruc-
tor ask you to use APA or MLA
source citation? We can get you start-
ed! Want to borrow a book, maga-
zine, or DVD? We've got them. Need
to use a desktop, print or borrow a
laptop? We're here to help. Come in
person AND find many resources on
our website
<http://www.kirkwood.edu/library>
Also find us on Facebook, Twitter,
and YouTube. There are libraries in
both Cedar Rapids and Iowa City.
For current hours go to:
<https://guides.kirkwood.edu/hours>.

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