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The United Nations Lecture Series Returns

The Office of Global Programs hosted two new presentations in the United Nations Lecture Series, sponsored by the Humpty Dumpty Institute. Both presentations were held in the Medgar W. Evers auditorium in the J.D. Boyd Library. The first presentation, held on Wednesday, October 17, 2017 featured Robert Skinner, Director, United Nations Information Centre, Washington D.C. His topic was “The United Nations in a Time of Transition: Its Role and Challenges.”

The second lecture was held on Tuesday, November 14, 2017. The speaker was Kali Jones, Diplomat in Residence, Tulane University, U.S. Department of State. She spoke about “Career Opportunities in the Foreign Service.”

Left: Robert Skinner talks about the humanitarian efforts put forth by the United Nations.

Top: Kali Jones shares some of her experiences in the United States Foreign Service.
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International Notes

- In September, The Natchez (MS) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated collaborated with Alcorn State University and entered a three-year Memorandum of Understanding with the University. Through this MOU, the Natchez (MS) Chapter will provide support to international students affiliated with the OGP and serve as their community mentor and host family. The Links, Inc. is an international, not-for-profit corporation established in 1946. The membership consists of more than 15,000 professional women of color in 287 chapters located in 41 states, the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of the Bahamas. It is one of the nation’s oldest and largest volunteer service organizations of extraordinary women who are committed to enriching, sustaining and ensuring the culture and economic survival of African Americans and other persons of African ancestry. In November, because many of the international students indicated they would be on campus during the Thanksgiving break, each student was given a laundry basket filled with personal hygiene items, water, juice, and healthy snacks.

World Current Events Question

What three 2017 hurricanes caused serious damage to parts of Texas, Florida and the Caribbean?

A. Cindy, Jose, and Nate
B. Arlene, Ophelia, and Vince
C. Harvey, Irma, and Maria
D. Bret, Katia, and Whitney

Answer: C

Upcoming Event

Chinese Foreign Language classes will be taught by Fulbright FLTA, Jie Yuan. Visit the “Upcoming Events” page on the Office of Global Programs website for more information or to apply for the course online.