

# INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

## NOVEMBER 18-22



Join the Valencia College Global team this fall for an unforgettable celebration of international education. Get ready to immerse yourself in a world of culture, learning, and adventure with fun, globally-inspired events hosted by Valencia's students, faculty, and staff. From lively cultural activities and hands-on workshops to engaging info sessions, there's something for everyone—on campus and online. Best of all, it's completely free and open to everyone. Check out the schedule below and get ready for a global experience like no other! (Event details subject to change.)

## IEW KICKOFF EVENTS

### NOVEMBER 12, 13 & 14

#### Pasta all'uova Italian Style

Learn the time-honored craft of hand-rolling pasta from Italian Master Chef and Sfogolina, Simonetta Capotondo, and savor the difference! Organized by Professor Richard Sansone in cooperation with Student Development, SAGE, and Avanti Resorts. **Space at live presentations is limited. Reserve your seat by e-mailing Professor Sansone at [rsansone@valenciacollege.edu](mailto:rsansone@valenciacollege.edu). Please include which date you are attending.**

#### In-Person & Zoom Events

- Nov 12 @ 10:00am-12:00pm: Downtown Campus, Union West 536
- Nov 13 @ 12:00pm-2:00pm: West Campus, HSB 100 or Via Zoom: [valenciacollege.zoom.us/j/96833445618](https://valenciacollege.zoom.us/j/96833445618)
- Nov 14 @ 12:00pm-2:00pm: Downtown Campus, Union West 436

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

11:00am-2:00pm

#### Multicultural Day of Thanks

Stop by the Winter Park Campus to enjoy delicious food from different cultures. All are welcome! Students who attend this event will be able to engage with and understand diverse cultures through conversation. Our focus is on how thankfulness and traditions are expressed in other cultures.

**In-Person Event: Winter Park Campus Student Lounge**

11:30am-12:45pm

#### Rwanda: Colonization, the 1994 Genocide and Reconciliation Efforts

Join Professor Paul Chapman for a workshop about the recent history of Rwanda: Colonization, the 1994 genocide and reconciliation efforts.

**In-Person Event: Winter Park Campus, Room 242**

## IEW SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

10:00am & 2:00pm (2 sessions)

#### Play Ecosystem & Explore Citizen Science

Join the Valencia College Library and Computer Access Lab in this 30-minute interactive workshop, which is part of their **International Games Month**. Citizen Science is for everyone! Learn new skills and contribute to important discoveries that impact our world.

**In-Person Event: West Campus, Bldg. 6, Room 118**

12:00pm-2:00pm

#### Muslim Cultures Around the World

Join our Muslim Ambassadors for Peace (MAP) Student Club in celebrating the Muslim cultures around the world. Taste a piece for peace, Henna painting, Chai, and much more!

**In-Person Event: East Campus, Mall Area**

12:00pm-1:00pm

#### Ireland Study Abroad Info Session

Join Professor Heith Hennel for an informative session on the upcoming Summer 2025 Ireland Study Abroad program! Through this program, students will gain hands-on exposure to important aspects of international business, including digital tools for business travel, AI, and intercultural communication, with a focus on global operations within the context of Ireland's vibrant culture. This session will also cover information about logistics, costs, and program eligibility requirements.

**In-Person Event: East Campus, Bldg. 8, Room 226**



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## SCHEDULE-AT-A-GLANCE

**12:00pm-1:00pm**

### Lunchtime Faculty Travel Logs: Iceland

Embark on an exciting virtual journey to Iceland with Professor Debbie Hall and learn more about green energy and electric transportation!

**Online Event - Pre-Register Here:**  
<https://tinyurl.com/IEWIceland>

**2:00pm-3:00pm**

### Global Distinction Graduates: Where Are They Now?

Join SAGE and some of our outstanding Global Distinction graduates for updates on their lives and how the program impacted their academic and career goals. We'll also provide information on how you can become a Global Distinction Graduate!

**Online Event - Pre-Register Here:**  
<https://tinyurl.com/IEWGlobalDistinction>

**3:00pm**

### Yoga Workshop

Join us in this active session to learn more about yoga, a practice that spans over 5,000 years, originating in northern India. Initially developed as a spiritual discipline, yoga has deep roots in Hindu tradition and continues to inspire millions worldwide.

**In-Person Event: Poinciana Campus, Outdoors Facing the Nature Conservation Space**

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

**10:00am-11:00am**

### Dublin: A Brief History

Join our partner Study Abroad Association and explore Dublin's rich past on this short walking tour. Discover key landmarks, from Dublin Castle to Trinity College, as you uncover the city's fascinating history in just a few stops.

**Online Event - Pre-Register Here:**  
<https://tinyurl.com/IEWDublin>



**11:00am-2:00pm**

### Global Voyage: A Cultural Cruise Around the World!

Join us for a vibrant celebration of cultures at the ISS and V.I.C. Global Voyage: A Cultural Cruise Around the World! This exciting event is a perfect opportunity to enjoy the world while on-campus.

**In-Person Event: East Campus, Mall Area in front of Bldg. 4**

**12:00pm-1:00pm**

### Lunchtime Faculty Travel Logs: Ecuador

Vicariously experience a Gate 1 small group tour of the Galapagos Islands and the Amazon rainforest of Ecuador with Professor Andy Ray. Bring your own lunch and travel with us!

**In-Person Event: West Campus, Bldg. 10, Room 214 or Online - Pre-Register Here:** <https://tinyurl.com/IEWEcuador>

**1:00pm-2:00pm**

### Get Ahead by Going Abroad: Virtual Study Abroad Fair

Meet our globetrotting Study Abroad Faculty Leaders for a lively discussion on the personal and professional benefits of study abroad. We'll also showcase some programs that you can join this summer!

**Online Event - Pre-Register Here:**  
<https://tinyurl.com/IEWStudyAbroadFair>

**3:00pm-4:00pm**

### International Career Trivia

International Career Trivia, learn fun facts & win prizes! Hosted by the West Campus Career Center.

**Online Event - Pre-Register Here:**  
<https://tinyurl.com/IEWCareerTrivia>





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### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

11:00am-2:00pm

#### Rhythms of the World!

ISS and VISA Club presents: Rhythms of the World! An exciting talent show to help promote multicultural awareness and build connection throughout Valencia's community.

**In-Person Event: West Campus, SSB Patio**

**NOTE: Due to weather, this event has been moved to Thursday, November 21, same time, same place**

11:00am-2:00pm

#### Chalk Art Competition

Students from the Intensive English Program will be celebrating International Education Week by decorating the sidewalks around the SSB patio area with international themed chalk art.

**In-Person Event: West Campus, SSB Patio**

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#### Careers in International Affairs

Interested in learning about the variety of career options available in international affairs? join the Career Center and Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs(APSIA) to learn more.

**Online Event - Pre-Register Here:**

<https://bit.ly/WWCareersIntAffairs24>

11:00am-3:00pm

#### Caribbean Festival

Join Poinciana Campus in celebrating the culture of the Caribbean, including traditional food, music, dancing and more!

**In-Person Event: Poinciana Campus, Courtyard Space**

11:30am-3:30pm

#### Study Abroad Inquiry Table

Stop by our inquiry table to learn more about how you can make your study abroad dreams come true. A representative from the Valencia College Passport Office will be there at 11:30am to answer any questions you have about applying for a passport, and study abroad information will be available 2:30-3:30pm.

**In-Person Event: Poinciana Campus, 1st Floor Entranceway**

11:30am-12:30pm

#### Peaceful Strategies to Combat Stereotypes & Prejudices: Success Stories

In this workshop, Dr. Yasmeen Qadri will present peaceful strategies for challenging stereotypes and overcoming prejudice in everyday life. Through inspiring success stories, you'll learn how individuals and communities have transformed their biases into positive action, fostering inclusion and understanding. Join us to gain practical tools for creating a more open-minded, compassionate world.

**In-Person Event: East Campus, Bldg. 8, Room 151**

1:00pm-2:00pm

#### Lunchtime Faculty Travel Logs: The Netherlands & Denmark

Join Professors Dominic DiPaolo & Suzette Ashton on their adventures in the Netherlands and Denmark on faculty and student exchange programs. If you're inspired by their travels, they'll provide information on how you can study abroad in the Netherlands this summer!

**Online Event - Pre-Register Here:**

<https://tinyurl.com/LEWNetherlands>

2:30pm-4:30pm

#### Diversity Wall Discussion

Join us and share your vision for a a diversity wall project at Poinciana Campus.

**In-Person Event: Poinciana Campus, 2nd Floor Adjacent to the Elevators**





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#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

**10:00am-11:00am**

#### Discover the Magic of Salzburg: Study Abroad in Austria

Learn more about how you can immerse yourself in the rich culture and history of Austria through studying abroad at Salzburg College. Ian Keil from Broward College and CCIS, will guide you through the application process and share all the details on how you can make the most of your study abroad experiences in one of Europe's most captivating cities.

*Online Event - Pre-Register Here:*  
<https://tinyurl.com/IEWAustria>

**10:30am-12:30pm**

#### Discover Brazil with the Brazilian Student Association!

Join the Brazilian Student Association for an engaging session about our club's mission, and dive into Brazil's rich history and culture! Celebrate Brazilian customs and with interactive board games, exciting trivia competitions, and activities. Come learn, play and connect with us as we bring a taste of Brazil to campus!

*In-Person Event: East Campus, TBD*

**12:00pm-2:00pm**

#### Global Halftime Show: Orisi Risi's African Drums

Experience the Global Halftime Show with Orisi Risi's African Drumming—an energizing intermission of West African rhythm and storytelling!

*In-Person Event: Osceola Campus, Clocktower Patio/Grass Area*

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*In-Person Event: West Campus, Bldg. 10, Room 214*

**12:30pm-1:30pm**

#### Rome by Night: From Caesar to Michelangelo

Join our partner Study Abroad Association and discover Rome's rich history under the glow of the night sky. This tour takes you from the ancient ruins of Caesar's empire to the Renaissance brilliance of Michelangelo, visiting landmarks like the Roman Forum, the Capitoline Hill and the Pantheon.

*Online Event - Pre-Register Here:*  
<https://tinyurl.com/IEWRometour>

**1:00pm-2:00pm**

#### Internationalization of the Curriculum - Faculty Meet-Up

This is your chance to discover how faculty are internationalizing their curriculum and bringing the world into the classroom! We're inviting INZ faculty to an informal session where they can showcase and share the innovative global learning experiences they've been creating. Whether you're already integrating global perspectives into your courses or simply interested in exploring how to get started, this session is for you.

*Online Event - Pre-Register Here:*  
<https://tinyurl.com/IEWGlobalLearning>





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3:00pm-4:00pm

### Careers on Cruise Lines

Join us for an exclusive session with Brandon Roach, a seasoned English Language Instructor and Valencia graduate who's explored the world while working aboard some of the most popular cruise lines. Brandon will share his insider tips, personal experiences, and valuable advice on how YOU can break into this dynamic industry and start your own adventure at sea!

**Online Event - Pre-Register Here:**

<https://tinyurl.com/IEWCruiseCareers>

6:00pm-7:00pm

### Cultural Intelligence: Interpersonal Skills for 21st Century Global Learners

As part of the Skillshop series, join Business Professor Andrés Goyanes for an interactive workshop on the essential cultural intelligence skills needed to navigate today's diverse, interconnected world. Perfect for global learners, this session empowers you to thrive in both personal and professional settings.

**In-Person Event: West Campus, West Campus, SSB 206**



## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

10:00am-11:00am

### Amsterdam's Historic Heart: A Walking Tour from Anne Frank's House

Join our partner Study Abroad Association and step back in time and explore the poignant and rich history of Amsterdam, beginning at the world-famous Anne Frank House. This immersive walking tour will take you through the city's charming canal districts, past iconic landmarks like the Westerkerk, and into the heart of Amsterdam's cultural and historical identity.

**Online Event - Pre-Register Here:**

<https://tinyurl.com/IEWRometour>

11:00am-12:00pm

### Lunchtime Faculty Travel Logs: India

"South India Adventure: From Chennai to Kerala!" Join us as we explore ancient temples, vibrant cultures, and humorous mishaps in the breathtaking landscapes of South India! Hosted by Dr. Vishma Kunu, Dr. Nicole Spottke, and Professor Kat Wells.

**Online Event: Pre-Register Here:**

<https://tinyurl.com/IEWSouthIndia>

6:00pm-8:00pm

### Cultural Potluck

Join our Community College Initiative and Global Distinction students for our IEW grand finale with a cultural potluck, including music, dancing and more! **RSVP here:**

<https://tinyurl.com/IEWCulturalpotluck>

**In-Person Event: West Campus, Special Events Center**



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### IEW PHOTO CONTESTS

#### Photo Contest: PurrCy Goes Global!

Students are invited to take PurrCy Puma around the world.

**Step 1:** Dress up in traditional attire from your culture for favorite country.

**Step 2:** Take a photo with the PurrCy Puma statue in the West or Lake Nona Campus Store.

**Step 3:** Tag our Instagram Page ([valencia.studyabroad](https://www.instagram.com/valencia.studyabroad)) with #ValenciaEW2024.

We will be selecting the best photo at the end of the week and awarding a prize!

#### Photo Contest: VC GlobeTrotter

Show us the world through your lens! We're launching our **##VCGlobeTrotter** photo contest, and we want to see your most breathtaking travel moments! Whether it's a bustling market, a serene mountain view, or a local culinary adventure, we'd love to experience it with you.

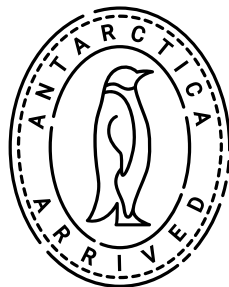
Here's how to enter:

**Step 1:** Follow [[@valencia.studyabroad](https://www.instagram.com/valencia.studyabroad)]

**Step 2:** Post your travel photo with a short caption on what makes it unforgettable.

**Step 3:** Tag us and use #VCGlobeTrotter for a chance to win a prize.

Entries will be featured on our page, and the post with the most likes wins! Let's get exploring - we can't wait to see where you've been!



November 18-22, 2024

### International Education Week (IEW)

IEW is a joint initiative of the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of State to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. These events have been designed to promote the concept of global citizenship and cross-cultural awareness. This is the perfect opportunity to continue to learn about the world around you!

Valencia College faculty, staff, and students have worked together to host a variety of free activities on various campuses and online.

All activities have been developed around the following learning outcomes:

- Promote the concept of global citizenship and cross-cultural awareness
- Gain a greater level of understanding and appreciation for different world cultures
- Promote short-term and semester study abroad opportunities to students
- Create cultural opportunities for international and domestic students to interact
- Allow international students and study abroad students to share experiences of their home/host country

Questions? Contact Valencia College SAGE Office



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