

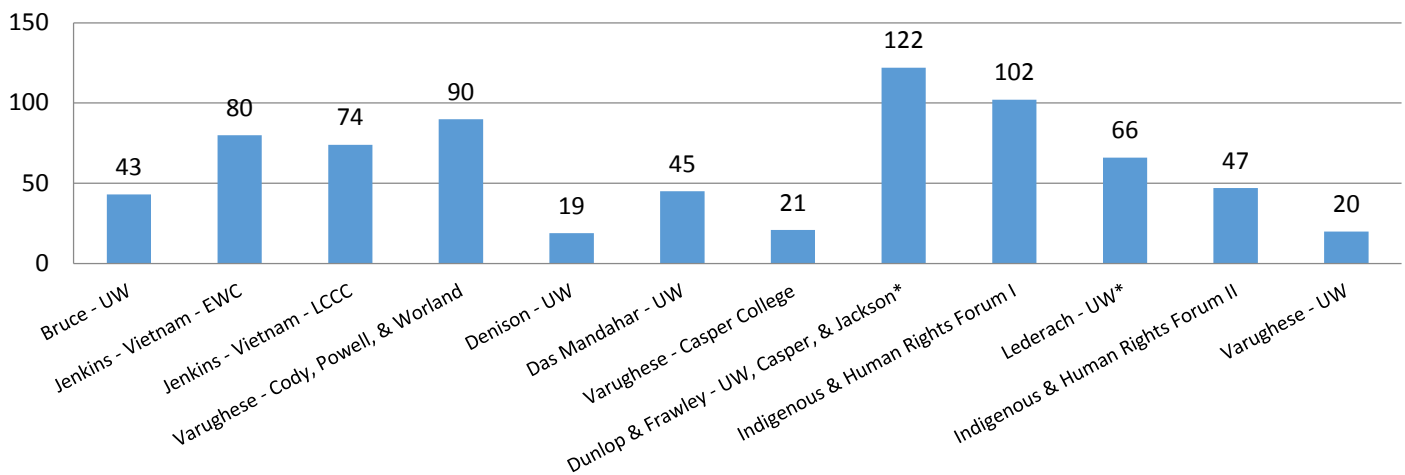
**Global Studies Lecture Series
AY 2015-16 Report of Activities Around Wyoming
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The Center for Global Studies (CGS) and Global and Area Studies (GAST) Program continue their commitment to statewide outreach programming focusing on international affairs in communities around Wyoming and on the UW campus. This series was made possible through partnerships with UW's Office of Academic Affairs and the Excellence in Higher Education Endowment, the UW Outreach School, the UW Foundation, International Programs Office, School of Energy Resources, and external partners including the Wyoming Humanities Council, Ruth R. Ellbogen Foundation, Homer A. and Mildred S. Scott Foundation, InterConnections21 in Jackson, Wyoming's community colleges, and the embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany.

Fall 2015 Global Studies Lecture Series

This section highlights sixteen events in eight Wyoming communities that CGS and GAST sponsored/facilitated in Fall 2015. In September, the first event in the **German Reunification Lecture Series** featured Dr. Gary Bruce (University of Waterloo, Canada) presenting on "The Stasi Files and Reconciliation in United Germany" at UW (there were nine programs in total in this series). Next, UW writer-in-residence and *National Geographic* correspondent Mark Jenkins continued his **World to Wyoming** tour on "Vietnam Underground: The Viet Cong, Spelunkers, and the Biggest Cave on Earth" at Eastern Wyoming College in Torrington and Laramie County Community College in Cheyenne. UW Senior Visiting Scholar in Global Studies, Dr. George Varughese from the Asia Foundation, presented "Nepal's Earthquake, Development, and Reconstruction," in five venues across Wyoming including Northwest College in Powell, the Buffalo Bill Historical Center in Cody, the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs of Worland, at Casper College, and at UW. In October, **The German Reunification Series** hosted Dr. Andrew Denison (Director of the Transatlantic Network) focusing on "The United States and German Reunification: Hopes and Fears in Retrospect" at UW. As part of the **Global Studies Excellence Series** at UW, Dr. Mohan Das Manandhar (MIT) presented on "The Politics of Exclusion and Issues of Development in Nepal" in October and Dr. John Paul Lederach (Notre Dame) on "Conflict, Transformation, Peacebuilding, and Sustainable Reconciliation in Divided Societies" in November. The series, **Building Community Across Difference: Lessons From Northern Ireland**, with Dr. Tom Farwley and Rev. John Dunlap was held in Casper, Jackson, and at UW. In cooperation with the High Plains American Indian Research Institute (HPAIRI), CGS sponsored two forums on Indigenous Rights as Human Rights this fall. The first event, HPAIRI's 2015 Distinguished Lecture Series, "From Self-Determination to the Human Rights Era of Federal Indian Law," featured Walter Echo-Hawk, Distinguished Visiting Scholar at the Lewis and Clark School of Law. The second forum, "Indigenous Rights as Human Rights," featured Dr. Cindy Holder (University of Victoria, Canada) and Dr. Colin Samson, UW's Visiting Scholar in American Indian Studies. The Global and Area Studies Program and the Center for Global Studies also supported several brown bags, films, and other forums at UW.

Global Studies Lecture Series – Fall 2015 Data



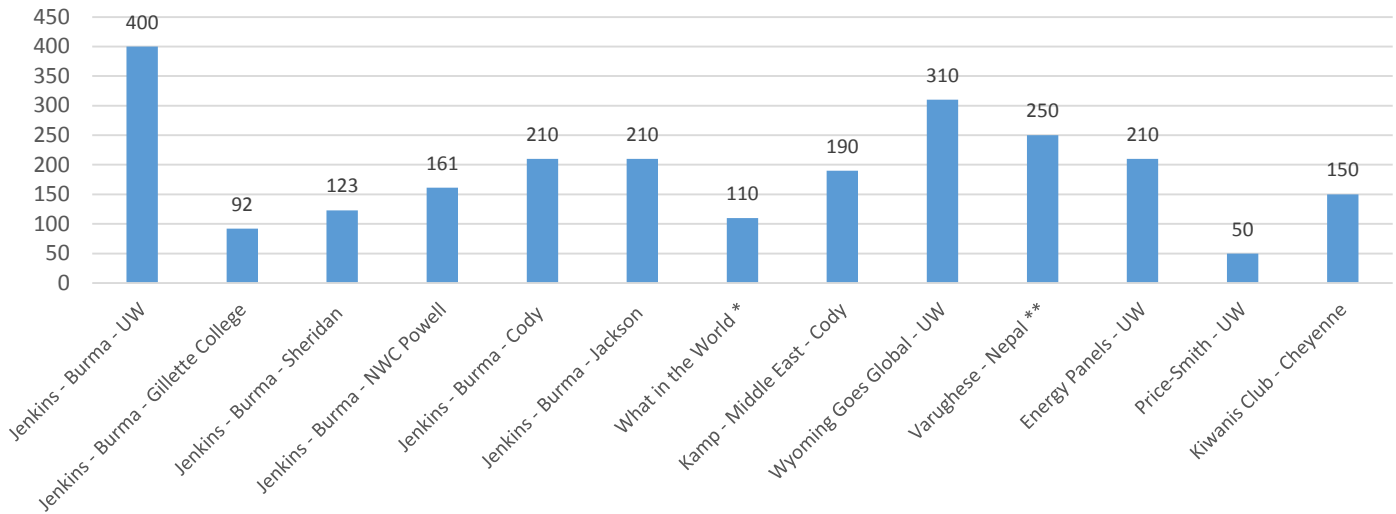
*Data includes class visits at the respective colleges.

Number of attendants for these events = 686 people; overall total including *German Reunification Series* = 916.

Spring 2016 Global Studies Lecture Series

In Spring 2016, CGS and GAST sponsored/facilitated 18 events in 9 Wyoming communities. In February and March, Mark Jenkins's *World to Wyoming* tour continued with a presentation on his summit attempt of Hkakabo Razi in "Burma's Resurrection: An Expedition Deep into a Forbidden Land" at Gillette College, Sheridan Junior High School, Northwest College in Powell, the Buffalo Bill Center of the West in Cody, and the National Wildlife Museum in Jackson. (The *World to Wyoming* series resumes in September in six venues across southern Wyoming.) Throughout the Spring, CGS sponsored students' presentations of their international research in the **What in the World? International Studies Fieldwork** program. These venues included: Sheridan; Cody; Powell; Jackson; Cheyenne; and Centennial. In cooperation with Christ Episcopal Church in Cody, Dr. Marianne Kamp (Dept. of History) gave presentations on the contemporary Middle East at Cody High School, the Buffalo Bill Center of the West, and a seminar discussion with Jean Garrison on contemporary Middle East challenges. At UW, the second **Wyoming Goes Global** conference highlighted the exciting and significant international work being done by UW faculty, students, and other experts discussing international projects and their impacts. UW Senior Visiting Scholar in Global Studies, Dr. George Varughese from the Asia Foundation, presented "Nepal's Earthquake, Development, and Reconstruction," to the Laramie Sunrise Rotary Club, American Committees on Foreign Relations in Casper, the Laramie Flying Club, and to multiple venues on campus. In cooperation with the School of Energy Resources, two linked energy panels in February and April discussed global, national, and local implications for changing energy markets and regulations. The public presentations on **Post-Paris COP-21 Carbon Policy – Implications, Trends, and Opportunities for the U.S. and the Globe** and **A Conversation on the Clean Power Plan's Impact in Wyoming: Understanding the Challenges and Opportunities** were filmed and parts of the programs aired on Wyoming Public Television's *Wyoming Chronicle* in April and May.

Global Studies Lecture Series – Spring 2016 Data

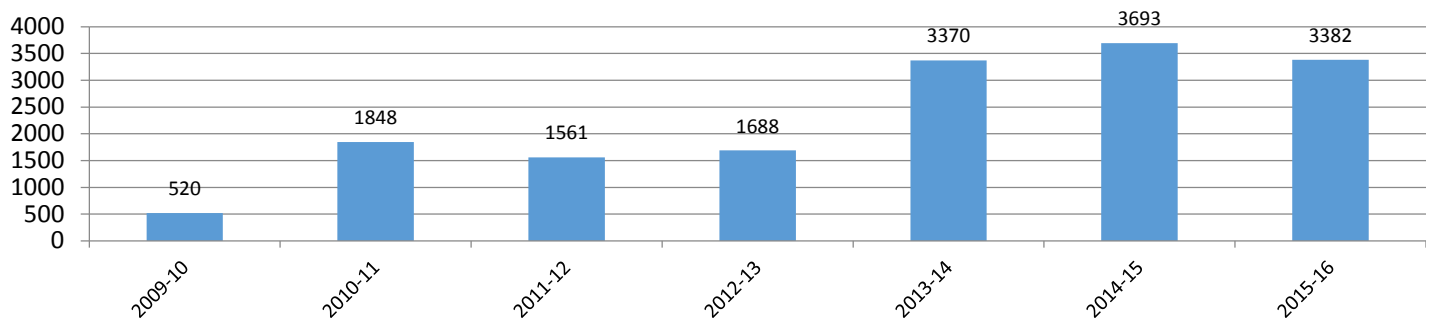


*What in the World? presentations included six venues around the state.

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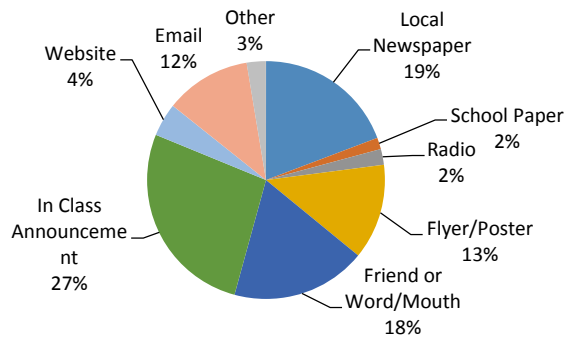
Number of attendants for these events = 2,466 people.

Global Studies Lecture Series 2009 – 2016 Data

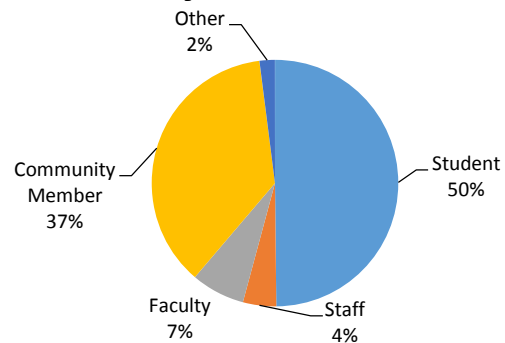


The following charts display data gathered at speaker series events over the last year via short questionnaires distributed to audience members. Over 91% of respondents, which included students, faculty, staff, and community members, reported that the speaker series improved their understanding of global issues, and 94% stated that the event contributed to building a sense of international awareness.

Where did you learn about this event?



What category describes you best?



Highlights of 2015-16 Global Studies Lecture Series

1. *25 Years of German Unity Celebration, September 1-December 8, 2015 (UW)*

The German Embassy awarded CGS Associate Director Stephanie Anderson a grant to commemorate 25 years of German unification. With support from GAST and CGS, and in partnership with the International Programs Office, the Milward L. Simpson Fund in Political Science, Gender and Women's Studies, the Department of Music, American Studies, and the UW Art Museum, nine events were held from September 1-December 8, 2015 at UW. These seminars, public presentations, and class discussions focused on connecting history from the start of World War II to the present (overall attendance for the series was 295 people). This series consisted of the following events: a poster exhibition documenting the path to unification; "Opening Ceremony/Performance Art/An Arch of Reconciliation;" "The Stasi, Reunification and Reconciliation" with Dr. Gary Bruce (University of Waterloo); film viewing of *The Lives of Others*; lecture on "The Anniversary of German Unification" with Dr. Andrew Denison (Director of Transatlantic Networks); presentation on "Struggle with a Foreign Tongue: David Bowie in Berlin;" film viewing of *Hedwig and the Angry Inch*; panel discussion "From Nudity Cultures in East and West to Sauna Club Mega Brothels;" with Annegret Staiger (Clarkson University); and ended with a Reunification Commemoration Concert.

2. *Human Rights Focus in UW and Community Partnership Events, October-November 2015 (Casper, Jackson, & UW)*

The human rights research cluster in the Center for Global Studies partnered with Global and Area Studies, the College of Law, and community partners to sponsor a series of discussions on *Building Community Across Difference: Lessons From Northern Ireland*. The October presentations in Casper, Jackson, and at UW were led by Dr. Tom Frawley (Former Ombudsman of Northern Ireland) and Rev. John Dunlop from Belfast who discussed the challenges associated with any community where there are differences of perspective, identity, and power. The CGS-High Plains American Indian Research Institute partnership, supported by Global and Area Studies and American Indian Studies, organized two *Human Rights and Indigenous Rights Forums*. The forums focused on domestic, transnational, and international aspects of indigenous rights as human rights. The partnership will continue to sponsor events focusing on areas of common interest between the research centers.

3. *Wyoming Goes Global: UW Faculty and Students Developing Practical Solutions to Address Global Problems, March 28-29, 2016 (UW)*

The Wyoming Goes Global conference held in March highlighted the significant international work being done by UW faculty and students from across campus and featured experts who discussed a variety of international career options. The projects CGS support for work that looks at the implications—from local to global—of a wide spectrum of evolving international challenges. Sessions included: Faculty International Research Panel; Faculty-Student International Fieldwork Projects and Programs; Student International Research and Internship Projects; an International Poster Session, and career panels focusing on international careers in the public and private sectors.

4. *Global Studies Excellence Speaker Series, September 2015-April 2016 (UW)*

As part of the Excellence Speakers Series, Dr. George Varughese, the 2015-16 Senior Visiting Scholar in Global Studies, brought a variety of people to campus to share their experiences with students and faculty. These were people Varughese has worked with during his career as an applied development practitioner with the Asia Foundation in Nepal and Afghanistan. His speakers included Mohan Das Manandhar, a Nepalese businessman and fellow at MIT and former government official in Nepal, John Paul Lederach, a conflict negotiator who teaches at the Kroc School for Peace and Conflict Studies at the University of Notre Dame, Dr. Jaime Chua of the Asia Foundation, Bernardo Michael, a professor of history at Messiah College (PA), Scott Worden, Director of the Lessons Learned Program at the office of the United States Government Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, where he leads a project to study reconstruction effort in Afghanistan from 2001 onwards, and Menaka Guruswamy, a lawyer from India who has handled cases before Supreme Court of India and is currently a visiting fellow at the Yale Law School.

5. Expanding "What in the World?" International Studies Fieldwork Presentations-Student Projects, March-May 2016

During March, three graduate students toured the state of Wyoming to present findings from their international fieldwork in Sheridan, Powell, Cody, and Jackson. These presentations included: 1) Lindsey Ehinger (MA, International Studies/ENR – Summer 2016) whose work focused on Kyrgyzstan's community-based ecotourism industry, 2) BJ Bender (BS, Rangeland Ecology & Watershed MGMT/ENR – Spring 2016) whose research focused on managing resources from Wyoming to Patagonia, and 3) Guy Litt (PhD, Hydrology – Summer 2016) whose research focused on the Panama Canal watershed management. In April, Lindsey Ehinger presented her work to the Kiwanis Club of Cheyenne. In May, the series returned to Centennial with Anil Raman (MA International Studies – Summer 2016) presenting on his work on U.S. Foreign Policy Making During the India Pakistan Conflict of 1999 and Lindsey Ehinger presenting on her community-based tourism project in Kyrgyzstan.

Upcoming Summer 2016 Events

Summer 2016 Centennial 'What in the World?' International Studies Fieldwork Presentations (Centennial, Wyoming)

In Summer 2016, the 5th annual Centennial 'What in the World?' series will highlight the excellent and varied international work conducted by CGS-affiliated faculty and students.

- June 15 – "Taiwanese Hosts and Chinese Tourists: Is Tourism Really a Force for Peace?" (Clinton Harper-MA International Studies, May 2016), "Managing Resources from Wyoming to Patagonia," (Barbara "BJ" Bender), and "Panama Canal Watershed Management" (Guy Litt).
- July 20 – "Air Quality: A Globally Relevant Issue for the 21st Century," Robert Field, Department of Atmospheric Sciences, University of Wyoming.
- August 17 – "Europe at its Limit? The European Union and the Challenges of Migration," Tanja Börzel, Department of Political Science, Free University of Berlin.

Additional summer presentations include the Rotary Club of Sheridan and CGS co-hosting of an International Relations in 2030 Workshop in partnership with the Free University of Berlin, August 25-27, 2016 in Laramie.