

Global Connections

Quarterly Newsletter from the Office of Global Engagement
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A message from the Office of Global Engagement



On behalf of the UNMC Office of Global Engagement (OGE), I would like to wish you a Happy New Year!

We are happy to welcome ten new international students from seven countries to UNMC this month. An in-person, one-day International Student Orientation was organized by the office of global engagement staff. We are very pleased to have these students on campus.

The leadership of the Universidad de Anahuac Veracruz, Mexico visited UNMC this past November. The delegation met with college of medicine deans, department of family medicine course directors, faculty development, Nebraska Medicine representatives, researchers, and toured the biocontainment center, Buffet Cancer Center and iEXCEL .

A delegation of six Ukrainian health care professionals also visited UNMC in November. The group met with Ali Khan, dean of the college of public health, visited the emergency department at Nebraska Medical Center and toured the Davis Global Center and the Fred & Pamela Buffett Cancer Center.

In addition, several activities such as Diwali and International Education Week are highlighted below.

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UNMC welcomes Universidad de Anahuac leadership to UNMC



UNMC was honored to host the leadership of our partners institution, Universidad de Anahuac Veracruz (UAV), Nov. 7-12, 2023. The visit was arranged at the invitation of Chancellor Jeffrey Gold, MD, and was hosted by the college of medicine dean's office, the department of family medicine, and the UNMC Office of Global Engagement.

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UNMC welcomes 10 international students for spring semester



UNMC is happy to welcome 10 new students from seven countries for the spring 2024 semester. The students came to UNMC from Bangladesh, China, Egypt, India, Iran, Nigeria and Turkey. A one-day orientation with sessions including academic integrity, counseling and psychological services, culture shock, and student health and insurance was held Jan. 4.

More than 300 attend Diwali event



More than 300 UNMC students, faculty and staff attended Diwali, which was hosted by the International Student Association. Diwali is also known as the festival of lights. Attendees enjoyed food, music provided by a DJ and performances,

International Student Association hosts International Education Week



The International Student Association (ISA) hosted International Education Week this past November. More than 200 UNMC faculty, staff and students participated in activities such as badminton and ping-pong tournaments, Bingo Night, chopstick proficiency games, cultural expo and office of global engagement open house and Ukraine delegation reception. Along with ISA, events were also hosted by the Asian American Pacific Islander Student Association, Graduate Student Association and Office of Global Engagement.



Ukrainian health care delegation visits UNMC

A delegation of Ukrainian health care professionals spent time at UNMC in November as the med center continues to build its relationship with the country.

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Recent achievements by UNMC faculty & staff

UNMC's Dr. Hamill joins critical care outreach to Ukraine

The flight to Ukraine was uneventful for Mark Hamill, MD.

That doesn't compare to the 10 days he spent in Lviv, Ukraine, which was memorable in

more ways than one.

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Dr. Campbell receives international award

Scott Campbell, PhD, associate professor in the UNMC Department of Pathology and Microbiology, has been awarded the 2023 SNOMED International Award for Excellence.

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Events planned to recognize international students

UNMC has several events lined up throughout next week to mark International Education Week next week and International Students Day on Friday, Nov. 17.

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Dr. Mirnics to accept prestigious award on behalf of SOI

Karoly Mirnics, MD, PhD, director of the UNMC Munroe-Meyer Institute, will accept a major international award on behalf of Special Olympics International on Oct. 27 in New York City.

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Global Center for Health Security team travels to Puerto Rico

A team from the UNMC Global Center for Health Security (GCHS) traveled to Puerto Rico to work with Puerto Rico's Medical Reserve Corps and continue development on UNMC's ISTARI isolation tent device family.

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