



FALL 2019 SCRAPBOOK

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A MESSAGE FROM THE IEC DIRECTOR



Wow how time flies. It seems like just yesterday we were beginning classes. Trees were full with bright green leaves, squirrels scampering about campus, and the university was filled with the excitement of another year. Through the semester you have studied hard and learned more English than you thought possible. And you learned more than English. Think of everything you've done: trips to Pioneer Days to see how life was 100 years ago, to Mille Lacs and the Objibwe Indian Museum, and you carved jack-o-lanterns for Halloween. It is now winter. Trees are bare and sleeping, resting their limbs and roots and awaiting spring. Snow has visited us already and more is on its way, that is for sure. Was this your first time to see snow? Wow what a semester it has been.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michael Schwartz', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

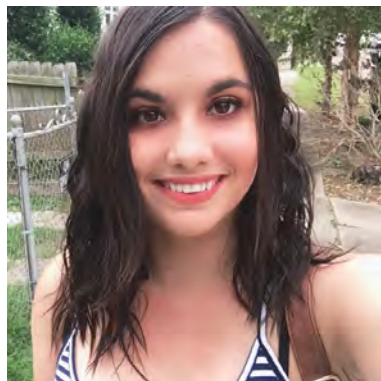
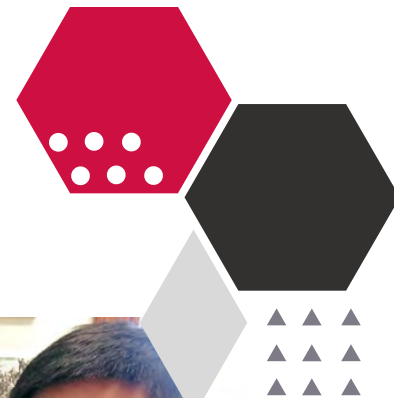
Dr. Michael Schwartz
IEC Director

Who knew you could learn and experience so much in just one short semester? One thing is for sure, you have grown as a person over this semester and the experience you've had will last you a lifetime. Whether you are an exchange student and going home, or you are returning to St. Cloud and/or the IEC in the spring, the IEC hopes you will look back on your time in the IEC as one of the best times in your life, where you met people from around the world, improved your English, learned more about US culture, and broadened our world view.

**“You live a new life
for every new
language you
speak. If you know
only one language,
you live only once.”**

Czech Proverb

IEC TEACHERS



ANNIE ESPINAL JONES

LEVEL 1 & 2 INSTRUCTOR

My message: "Those who dream by day are cognizant of many things which escape those who dream only by night."
Edgar Allan Poe



DANAYIT DESALEGN

LEVEL 1 & 2 INSTRUCTOR

About me: I was born in Ethiopia. My passion is working with children. I love traveling and learning about cultures. In my free time, I love writing and watching documentaries.



ANH NGUYEN

LEVEL 1 & 2, 3 INSTRUCTOR

My message: Hakuna matata!



DAN WU

LEVEL 3, 4 & 5 INSTRUCTOR

My message:
"Climb every mountain,
Ford every stream,
Follower every rainbow,
Till you find your dream."
~ Sound of Music (Movie)



QIONG HUANG

LEVEL 3, 4 & 5 INSTRUCTOR

My message: To teach is to learn.

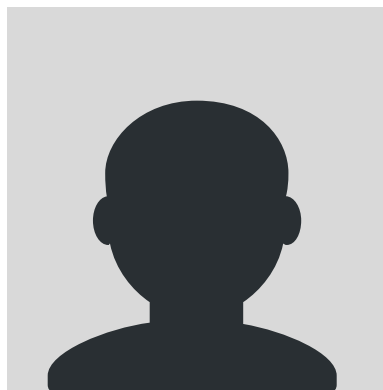


OSCAR MARTINEZ DIAZ

LEVEL 3, 4 & 5 INSTRUCTOR

My message: "Only I can change my life. No one can do it for me."

IEC TEACHERS



FIRAS ISMAIL

LEVEL 3, 4 & 5 INSTRUCTOR



YOUNGSIN CHOI

LEVEL 4 & 5 INSTRUCTOR

My message: "Don't let the perfect be the enemy of the good."



JOHN GRETHER

LEVEL 1-5 INSTRUCTOR

My message: Don't forget to have fun once in a while.



JULIE CONDON

LEVEL 4 & 5 INSTRUCTOR

About Me: I am the EAP Coordinator & I teach Administrative Orientation for International Students. When I am not at work, I enjoy gardening, cooking, and my many animals, which include 2 dogs, 3 cats, a lizard, 4 fish, and many chickens.

IEC STAFF



MICHAEL SCHWARTZ

IEC DIRECTOR

My message: "You can't cross the sea by merely standing and staring at the water."
Rabindranath Tagore



JOHN GRETHER

PROGRAM COORDINATOR

About Me: John has worked in the IEC program since it began! (That's over 20 years!)



STEPHANIE TROTTIER

OFFICE MANAGER

My message: I've had so much fun getting to know our students and teachers this semester. Thank you for making the IEC a special place!



RACHID OUEDRAOGO

OFFICE ASSISTANT

My message: "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." Nelson Mandela



PARIPA MICHELLE GANOU

OFFICE ASSISTANT

My message: "Be yourself. Everyone else is already taken." - Oscar Wilde



ABOUT OUR STUDENTS

NATIVE LANGUAGES:

Arabic	Mandarin	English
Japanese	Mongolian	Korean
Lao	French	Spanish

Total # of Students: **40**

Enrollment by Citizenship:

78%
from Asia



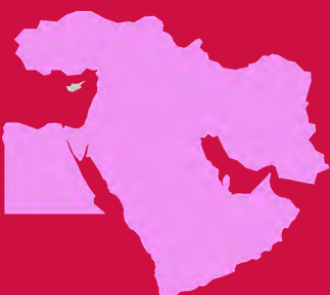
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from Africa

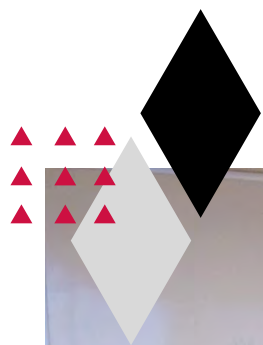


12%
from the Middle East



WHERE IS HOME?





LEVEL 1 & 2



reach
for the
stars!

**Reading &
Writing
with Annie Espinal**



LEVEL 3



**Listening & Speaking
with Oscar Martinez Diaz**

**GOOD
TIMES**



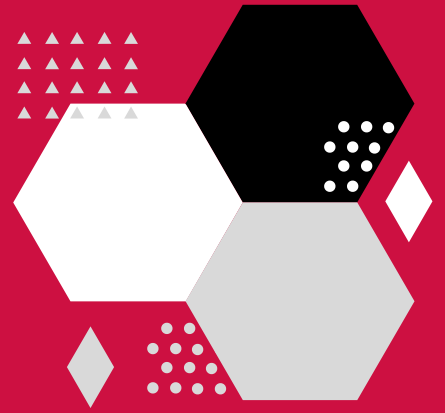
LEVEL 4 & 5



**Structure
with
Youngsin
Choi**



PROGRAM PHOTO



#SAYCHEESE

ALBANY PIONEER DAYS



Welcome to Albany, MN!



Waiting for the tractor...



Rope Making Machines



Having fun learning about Minnesotan culture!



Our trip to...

MILLE LACS

We went to the Mille Lacs Indian Museum & Kathio State Park. We learned about Native American culture, climbed the park's 100 ft tower, and tried some delicious smoked salmon & jerky. The fall colors are beautiful this time of year. This is one of IEC's favorite trips!





ART CRAWL

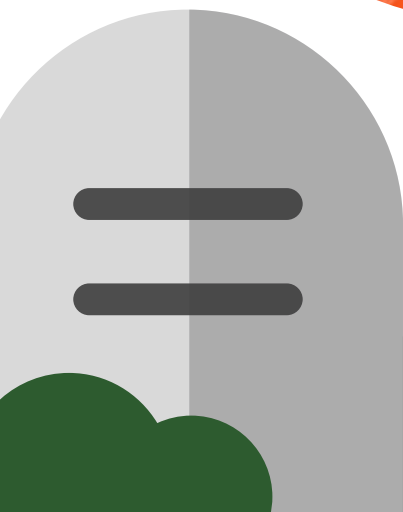
Downtown St. Cloud



John Grether led the students through downtown St. Cloud to see the art crawl. They stopped at Capital One, the Paramount, and a few others.

Students got to learn more about St. Cloud and see some of its historical buildings.

IEC'S SPOOK-TACULAR HALLOWEEN PARTY





CAMPUS EVENTS



Homecoming Football Game, Photo by St. Cloud State



Foam Dance Party, Photo by SCSU



Eastman Hall opens, Photo by SCSU



Homecoming Bonfire, Photo by SCSU



Mainstreet 2019, Photo by SCSU



Husky Statue Installed, Photo by SCSU

CAMPUS EVENTS



China Night 2019, Photos by Khamla Yang via Chinese Students & Scholars Association (CSSA) Facebook



Dashain & Tihar Night 2019, Photos by Helping Nepal International (HNI) via Facebook

Riwayaat Pakistan Night 2019, Photos by Roshan Adhikari via Pakistan Student Association (PSA) Facebook



Korean Night 2019, Photo by Korean Student Association (KSA) via Facebook

African Night 2019, African Student Association (ASA)

**To our students, teachers,
and staff, thank you for
being part of the IEC!**



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