UNAI MEMBER ACTIVITY REPORT
2016/2017

State University of New York (SUNY) Oswego
USA

During the 2016/2017 reporting period, State University of New York (SUNY) Oswego undertook a number of activities that underscore its commitment to UNAI and its principles. The following examples stand out as particularly noteworthy:

**Principle 6: Human Rights - A commitment to human rights, among them freedom of inquiry, opinion, and speech**

The Institute for Global Engagement hosted the Year of India this year. It included the following events:

9/20/17 Keynote: "Higher Education In India: Current Status, Challenges and Opportunities": Dr. Satish Tripathi, president of University at Buffalo

10/10/17 Film Screening and discussion: Earth, with Dr. Gerry Forbes

10/13/17 Indian Media in a Time of Rising Nationalism, with Sumi Somaskanda

10/14/17 Diwali Celebration
11/2/17 South Indian Classical Dance of Kuchipudi

11/3/17 Global Awareness Conference presents: Bharatanatyam dance performance by Koshala Mathuranayagam

11/4/17 Global Awareness Conference Keynote: Shalini Kantayya. The filmmaker, educator, eco-activist, Sundance Fellow and TED Fellow discussed how clean tech has to start locally.

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11/13/17 The Paradox of Digital Inclusion & Exclusion: India's Tryst with the Internet
Osama Manzar, Founder & Director, Digital Empowerment Foundation

11/29/17 Ancient Indian Science, talk by Dr. Alok Kumar

2/28/18 Film Screening and Discussion: Machines, Julie Schofield, Fulbright student and Oswego alum

3/19/18 Gender and Sexuality in Urban India: A case-study of Bangalore, Scott Sorrell of Cornell University

3/20/18 Freedom of the Press in India, Arvand Diddi

4/16/18 Graphic novel author and painter Amruta Patil

4/19/18 Gandhi, Dalai Lama and Havel: Public intellectuals, Dissidents and Their Message for a World in Transition, Noemi Marin (Florida Atlantic University) 4/23/18 Landscapes of accumulation: Real estate and the neoliberal imagination in contemporary India, Ilerena Searle (University of Rochester)

4/26/18 Mind the (Language "Medium") Gap: Reflections on Education in India, Chaise LaDousa (Hamilton College)

**Principle 5: Access to Higher Education** - A commitment to the opportunity for every interested individual to acquire the skills and knowledge necessary for the pursuit of higher education

Dr. Joshua McKeown, Dr. Lisa M. Glidden, and Dr. Myint Oo presented “International Collaborations with Myanmar Government and Civil Society Institutions” for the panel Education Sector Reform Policy at the Australia Myanmar Institute 2017 Conference, November 18, 2017, Yangon, Burma (Myanmar)
Other events:
11/29/17 International Women’s Panel, Humphrey Fellows

1/23/18 Feathers of Fire: A Persian Epic

2/22/18 Humphrey Fellows Panel Discussion

2/26/18 Women and Islam, a talk by Dr. Asma Barlas of Ithaca College

4/11/18 The People's Human Rights Observatory, Eduardo Garcia (School of the Americas Watch)

4/26/18 "International Institutions and the U.S.: Explaining Estrangement", Dr. Karen Mingst (University of Kentucky)

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