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The Global Education Office (GEO) celebrated International Education Week at Dominican, November 16-21 with a series of events, highlighted by its International Photo Exhibit Reception in the Alemany Library lobby.

Dominican President Mary Marcy addressed the crowd at the [GEO/Global Ambassadors](#) reception that featured Consular Corps VIPs from France, Italy, Peru and Mexico plus a performance by Pendet-Balinese dancers Dewa Ayu Dewi Larassanti and Ayu Cudamani.

Business student Tsetiana Zaharieva, a Global Ambassador from Bulgaria, spoke as well as ISEP program officer Melaine Brisse.

Dominican currently has 12 students studying overseas on the [Dominican Semester Abroad](#) program, including three [Oxford University Scholars](#). In addition, Dominican is home to 40 [international students](#) from 21 different countries. The University is hosting 11 [exchange students](#) from its partner universities in Bulgaria, Italy, Switzerland, South Africa, Germany, and Korea. It also is supporting new programs in Cuba, Bali, the Mediterranean, Namibia and Mexico.

International Education Week (IEW) is celebrated the third week of November every year at universities in the United States and around the world. IEW is a joint initiative of the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of State and was inaugurated by President Bill Clinton in 2000.

The theme for this year's IEW was "International Education: Advancing Access for All."

The schedule of IEW activities at Dominican was as follows:

- On Monday, students presented their recent experiences with global learning in the Creekside Room.
- On Tuesday, students were encouraged to join the international cheering section at the Lady Penguins' women's basketball game vs. Pacific Union in the Conlan Center.
- On Wednesday, GEO & ELS presented the Multicultural & Global Learning Fair on the Caleruega Dining Hall Plaza.
- On Thursday Global Forum examined LGBTQ Rights around the World in Creekside Room followed by the Consular Corps Reception and Photography Exhibit in Alemany Library. Attendees are able to vote for their favorite photos on the Community Gallery walls on the library's second floor. Winners will be announced after November 24.
- On Friday, a Faculty and Staff Development Workshop examined Community Engagement as Transformation - Pedagogy, Knowledge and the Disciplines in Guzman Hall Room 306.

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