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Event Spotlight

Our year-long series on "The Changing Face of Freedom in Today's Turbulent Times" will feature Indian author and scholar Anupama Rao, who will speak about the concepts and interplay of caste, violence and democracy in India. The event, entitled "India and the Caste Question," will be held at 3:00 p.m. in the Pegasus Ballroom of the Student Union on Thursday, September 13, 2012. The forum is free and open to the public, and is also a featured event of The India Center at UCF.

Rao's academic background is in anthropology and history, and she is an associate professor of South Asian history at Barnard College, Columbia University. She has served as president of the Society for the Advancement of the History of South Asia. Currently, Rao is working on a project titled Dalit Bombay, which focuses on the relationship between caste, political culture and everyday life in colonial and postcolonial Bombay.

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This academic year, UCF is benefitting from a Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant from Algeria, Bahia Braktia. She will be assisting UCF's only Arabic instructor, Basma Aziz, as well as presenting in classrooms and at public forums on different facets of her culture.



“Learning a new language is going on an adventure in a new world, exploring new traditions, ideas and customs,” she said. A translator by trade, Braktia has much experience working in Arabic, French and English. “There is no better way to learn a language than living in a society that speaks that language, interacting with the people, seeing their way of living and being part of that society,” she said.

Global Perspectives and the Department of Modern Languages worked to bring Braktia here, and UCF Housing, the International Services Center and the Burnett Honors College have also played key roles in facilitating her stay. “Working at UCF will give me the chance to live in the United States,” she said, “and perceive the way the Americans view the world. Go Knights!”

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