



Upcoming Events

[Emerging Trends in Comparative Politics: with a Focus on South Asia](#)

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What's on TV?

Watch the Global Perspectives show on WUCF TV, Sundays at 9:30 a.m., or click [here](#) to watch more videos online.

[Amb. Harriet Elam-Thomas- The Importance of Civility](#)



Ambassador Harriet Elam-Thomas discusses the importance of civility

[Vera Mironova - Conflict Zone Psychology](#)



Vera Mironova discusses the psychology of individuals who live in active conflict zones

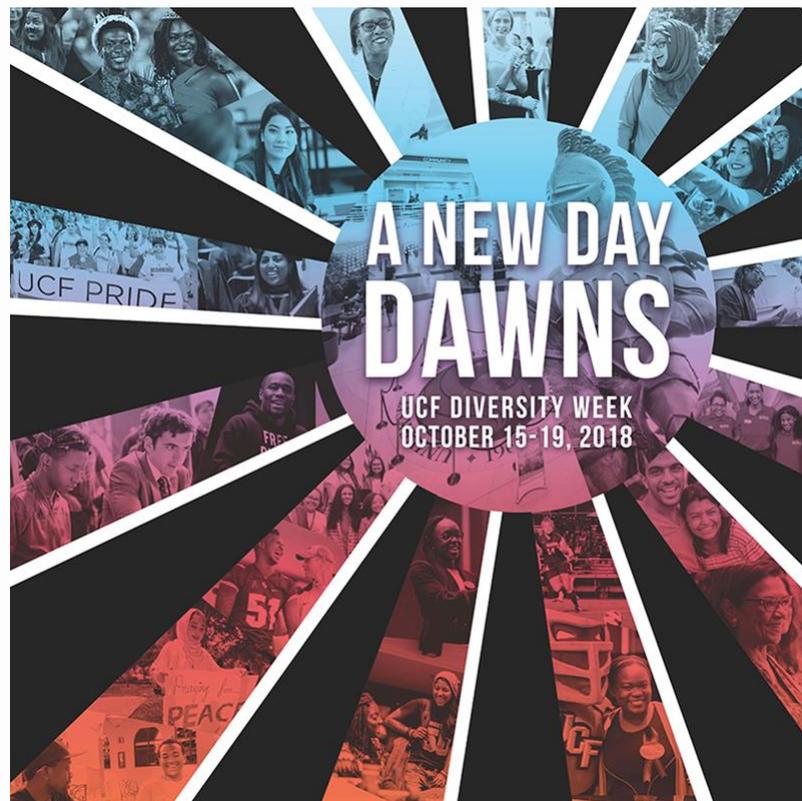
[Francis Bok - From Slave to Abolitionist](#)



Abolitionist Francis Bok shares his story of being enslaved for a decade

Celebrating Diversity Week

Happy Diversity Week, UCF's celebration of our diverse community! This week is an opportunity to explore topics across the broad range of human identity, experience and interaction.



Kicking off the week (pun intended), former NFL player Wade Davis will draw on his work as the NFL's first LGBT inclusion consultant to discuss issues at the intersection of sexism, racism and homophobia. His keynote is a feature of the sold-out Valarie Greene King Diversity Breakfast on Monday, October 15, in the Pegasus Ballroom.

Later on Monday, G. Gopa Kumar, Ph.D., Vice Chancellor and Senior Political Scientist at the Central University of Kerala, India, will speak about emerging trends in comparative politics with a focus on South Asia. His presentation will be in the

[James Bacchus - The Future of Developmental Sustainability](#)



Political Science Department conference room, HPH 305G, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

We at the Global Perspectives Office (GP) are proud to support these two events, and encourage you to check out the full calendar of Diversity Week events [here](#).

Event Spotlight: Interfaith Forum

Please join us on Tuesday, October 23, for GP's sixth annual Interfaith Forum. The event features a panel discussion with the Three Wise Guys from NPR's popular local program, "Friends Talking Faith," a luncheon to chew over ideas (pun intended -- last one) and a keynote presentation about religion and tolerance by the Reverend Naomi Tutu. Building on her upbringing in apartheid South Africa as Archbishop Desmond Tutu's daughter, Rev. Tutu has committed her life to raising her voice as a champion for the dignity of all.

The event takes place from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Pegasus Ballroom of UCF's Student Union. All are welcome to attend this public event. Registration is required to attend, and is free, thanks to event sponsors. For more information or to register to attend, please email global@ucf.edu.

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Pondering the Future of Work

GP Director John C. Bersia moderated a panel for a national “Future of Work Symposium” in New York City last month. The symposium, hosted by Cultural Vistas, was co-sponsored by multiple organizations with a vested interest in a strong, capable workforce. Cultural Vistas is a nonprofit exchange organization designed to promote global understanding and collaboration between individuals and institutions. It develops international, professional experiences that aim to create more-informed, skilled and engaged citizens.

Bersia’s panel focused on the role of higher education in preparing students for the work ahead. It looked at issues such as the effects of technological advances on jobs, aligning student skills with the needs of the working world, the role of internships and best practices. Other panels included “Corporate America and the Workforce of Tomorrow,” moderated by Jacquie Davidson, Head of Global Mobility for Adobe, and “Immigration and the Future of Work in America,” coordinated by Alex Koppelman, Managing Editor for CNN Business.



“This gathering of so many experts from education, business, non-profits, news media and others underscored the critical importance of the future of work and how it will be a matter of central concern from now on, given how rapidly the work world is changing and how much we simply don’t know,” Bersia said. At the same time, he added, there was an exhilarating spirit of optimism throughout the conference.

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