**CCC Global Affairs Room - Schedule (Fall 2017)**

*Discussion Facilitator:* Sherry Shen, MPH

*Featured Discussant:* Thomas Thivener, MS

*Dates:* October 21 to December 16, 2017 (Taiwan, Sat. 10:00-11:00)

(Calgary Fri. 8-9pm 10/20, 10/27, 11/3; 7-8pm 11/10 - 12/15)

**Goals:**

[1] engaging in cultural exchange & language practice

[2] encouraging the sharing of personal experiences

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| **Date** | **Discussion Topics (1 hr each class)** | **Possible Focus** |
| Oct. 21 | A multi-cultural family’s experiences with global affairs  Countries lived/visited:  Singapore & Malaysia, Peru, Greece & Bulgaria, Turkey, Canada/US | 1. Brief introduction of a multicultural family living & visiting 6 countries in 2016-2017, and in 2011 & 2013) 2. Where’s the fun, and why it’s important to meet the people from different countries? |
| Oct. 28  (w. Tom - 8pm Calgary Fri.) | Tips on Broadening Your Worldview & Learn more about Global Affairs | 1. Tips for planning and traveling international 2. How to meet new people? (before & after arrival) |
| Nov. 4 (w. Tom - 8pm Calgary Fri.) | Vancouver BC & Calgary AB, Canada, and Tucson AZ, United States | 1. Differences and similarities between the 2 countries (politicis, healthcare, others...) |
| Nov. 11 | Peru (graduate project) | 1. “A Taiwanese living in an orphanage in a Peruvian slum" |
| Nov. 25 | Singapore & Malaysia | 1. Differences and similarities that we noticed b/w the 2 countries 2. Meeting the locals -- Our conversation with a Malaysian making a living in Singapore |
| Dec. 2 | Greece (Athens, train ride, Thessaloniki) & Sofia, Bulgaria | 1. Some background & recent news from both countries 2. “Meeting the locals -- conversation with Greek people in Athens and on the train ride” |
| Dec. 9 | Istanbul, Turkey (Part I) | 1. “The big international news in Turkey” 2. “A sneak peak into 2 Muslim worlds -- Istanbul, Turkey v.s. Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia” |
| Dec. 16 | Istanbul, Turkey (Part II) | 1. “Meeting with the locals -- conversations with people from different walks in Istanbul” 2. Readings about Turkey/Istanbul |