

Our Daily Lives : Some Global Experiences

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Dates: **March 16 - May 25, 2019 - Taiwan, SAT. 10:00-11:00 am**

(March 15 - May 24, 2019 - Toronto, ON, FRI. 10-11pm; Calgary, AB, FRI. 8-9pm)

Goals:

[1] engaging in cultural exchange & language practice

[2] encouraging the sharing of personal experiences and the widening of perspectives

THEME - Living with CHANGES across cultures

Date (Toronto/Calgary times)	Discussion Topics (1 hr each class)	Possible Focus
3/16 Sat 10am (3/15 Fri 8pm - Calg)	Got brains with you? - A mini overview of the semester's cultural ups and downs	. A general overview of some key cultural concepts from the Hofstede's Model
3/23 Sat 10am (3/22 Fri 8pm - Calg)	How about that dinner with your boss? - On Power Distances	. Brief conceptual look @ power distances . Some examples from different societies/cultures
3/30 Sat 10am (Guest - 3/29 Fri 10pm Toronto) (no classes on 4/6, 4/13, 4/20 - Spring break & midterms)	What's your type: "My way or the highway", or a groupie? - On Individualism v.s. Collectivism	. Overview of the concepts . Illustrate different reactions to the same scenario from both perspectives
4/27 Sat 10am (4/26 Fri 8pm - Calg)	What's Yin & Yang (陰陽) got to do with anything? - On Gender Roles, Masculinity & Femininity	. A quick glance @ the conceptual model . Overview of examples in various societies

<p>5/4 Sat 10am (5/3 Fri 8pm - Calg)</p>	<p>Who wins, who loses? - Dealing with Power Distances, Individualism v.s. Collectivism, and Gender Roles - All At Once</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Short review of the 3 concepts . Examples showcasing interactions amongst the concepts
<p>5/11 Sat 10am (Guest - 5/10 Fri 10pm Toronto, OR...)</p>	<p>Are you late, or too early for the party? - On Time Perception</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Understanding attitudes toward "time" from people of different cultures . Examples elaborated on how attitudes toward time influence the way people live
<p>5/18 Sat 10am (OR... Guest - 5/17 Fri 10pm Toronto)</p>	<p>Is it ok to have fun...and what's behind the fun? - On Uncertainty Tolerance, Indulgence & Restraints</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Stereotypes of Indulgence vs Restraints . Creative explorations with the concepts
<p>5/25 Sat 10am (5/24 Fri 8pm - Calg)</p>	<p>Is it magic, or is it chaos? You decide - Review & interaction of this semesters' cultural concepts</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> . Short review of the concepts . Examples from different societies showcasing interactions amongst the concepts

