Chers Etudiants, chers Collègues,
Nous sommes heureux de démarrer cette semaine les conférences de Fall 2015 avec des sujets variés et intéressants. Surtout, nous sommes fiers de dire que beaucoup de ces conférences sont données par les professeurs de IAU. The talks each semester continue to elicit praise from the community for their timeliness and general interest. Please note below a change in the lecture schedule for the lecture "Biblical Images in Islamic Art." As we wrote to you last week, we have rescheduled the day trip to Marseille with sign-up at the entrance to Manning Hall. If you want to participate in this day-trip, we'll need you to sign up before Thursday at noon. We'll need at least 50 students for this to run, so if you want to go you might have to campaign with your friends to ensure enough participants. Otherwise, we wish you all a great week.
Bien à vous,
Leigh Smith
Dean of Students

LECTURES
Tuesday, September 22 - 6 :30pm CEF, Main Hall
« J.M.G. Le Clézio entre deux Mondes : Métissage et Voyage (in French) »
Dr. Sylvie Requemora-Gros, Aix-Marseille Université
Dr. Requemora-Gros, who teaches Francophone literature at IAU, will present the work of the Nobel prize winning author.
See here.

RESCHEDULED
Thursday, October 1 - 6 :30pm
« Biblical Images in Islamic Art »
Dr. Yumna Masarwa, IAU College
Dr. Masarwa, an art historian and professor of sociology at IAU, will present us with some revelations about the interface between Islam and Christianity.

WINE TASTING
Friday, September 25, 4-6pm, CEF, Main Hall
WINE ESSENTIALS
From opening to pouring to tasting to enjoying, Professor Amy Mumma will hone your skills on using a corkscrew, on opening a bottle of sparkling wine, on
holding your glass efficiently and lastly on tasting and appreciating your wine with dexterity and elegance.

STUDY TOUR: MARSEILLE - RESCHEDULED
Sunday, September 27 - 9:30am-5:00pm
PLEASE SIGN UP ASAP - Manning Hall

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9:30am - Meet at Hotel Le Roi René
10:20am - Arrive Ancient Port of Marseille
Optional Visit - MuCEM at 11:00am
2:00pm - Drive up to Notre Dame de la Garde
4:00pm - Meet to return to Aix

WHAT TO BRING
Picnic food or money to buy food in Marseille
Decent walking shoes
Hats and Sunscreen
Plenty of water

TRAVEL ADVISORY
Though we there are no specific warnings out there for U.S. citizens traveling abroad, the Embassy did just recently send us their "Message for U.S. Citizens: Travel through Europe." Please see http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/alertswarnings/worldwide-caution.html for any further information and warnings. If you have not already done so, we urge all students to enroll in the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program at https://step.state.gov/step/.