Migration and Integration:

European and American Perspectives



A panel discussion presented by the UP German Studies Program

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University of Portland

Shiley Hall 124

Presenters and panelists

Minister Holger Mahnicke: Head of the Department for Communication and Culture at the Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in Washington, D.C. He will explain Germany's response to the refugee crisis of 2015 and its currently policies and politics of migration and immigration.

Ana Clyde: Political Science and Spanish double major who comes from an immigrant family. She'll discuss the struggles immigrants face in terms of assimilation and acceptance, and speak to her own family's experiences.

Miguel De Leon: sophomore Political Science major who has worked with different Latin American immigrants through Latinx heritage clubs in high school and currently in college as the President of MEChA and will be focusing on Latin American immigration in the United States.

Jack Hulbert: senior majoring in Operations & Technology Management and Entrepreneurship. Jack spent the summer of 2017 working in the Czech Republic with a nonprofit organization that provides resources for journalists working in the Southern Caucasus, Middle East, and Central Asia. He will address the stigmas that refugees face in Czech society, how political propaganda has driven prejudice, and the different responses to Europe's influx of refugees among older and millennial generations in the Czech Republic.

Hayley Lemens senior Operations and Technology Management major who has recently gone to Aachen, Germany for an intensive language program. She'll discuss the impressions that various political youth groups have on the election and of Germany and US relations.

Christoph Oberhuber and Patrick Schwarzbauer: Austrian exchange students and mechanical engineering majors at UP who will share impressions of Austria's handling of refugees from Syria, Iraq, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Africa during the crisis of 2015.

Light refreshments provided

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