

Two Initiatives Aimed at Developing a Globally- Minded Campus Culture

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The rising STAR of Texas

Session Objectives

- As a result of attending this session, you will be able to:
 - Describe two different strategies for developing a globally-minded campus culture
 - Articulate ways to replicate similar activities on your campuses
 - Identify challenges you might face on your campuses when implementing such activities
 - Identify strategies for dealing with those challenges



Preparing Students for Socially Responsible Global Citizenship



Internationalization at Texas State



Students' Perspective on Internationalization at Texas State

What Do Students Think?

- Students' attitudes and beliefs
- Performance indicators

Process

- Offered through the Office of Academic Development and Assessment
- Committee formed
 - Developed purpose
 - Overlap with MCTRI
- Finding presenters
- Staff support
- Reviewing syllabi

Needs and Resources

- Budget
- People on campus
- People off campus

Agenda

MONDAY MAY 14 – DAY 1

9:00-9:15am	Coffee/Tea
9:15-10:30am	Welcome, Overview of Workshop, Introductions
10:30-10:45am	Break
10:45-11:45am	8 Ways to Transform a Course and Faculty Panel
11:45-12:15pm	Assessment
12:15-1:00pm	Networking Lunch
1:00-1:30pm	Globalizing the Academy
1:30-1:45pm	Skype session
1:45-2:45pm	Small Group Activity
2:45-3:00pm	Break
3:00-3:45pm	Student Panel
3:45-4:00pm	Wrap-Up Discussion

TUESDAY MAY 15 – DAY 2:

9:00-9:20am	Coffee/Tea and Review
9:20-9:45am	What Does it Mean to be a Socially Responsible Global Citizen?
9:45-10:45am	Resources (Library, Career Services, Study Abroad)
10:45-11:00am	Break
11:00-12:45pm	Making Higher Education Global
1:00-2:00pm	Working Lunch
2:00-3:00pm	Making Higher Education Global
3:00-4:00pm	Individual/Small Group Working Time
4:00-5:00pm	Wrap-Up Discussion, Evaluation

Evaluation

	Most Negative					Most Positive
The workshop aided me in shaping my syllabus.	(0)	(1)	(1)	(12)	(16)	4.43/5.0
The workshop met my expectations.	(0)	(0)	(0)	(12)	(17)	4.59/5.0
The small group facilitators did a good job.	(0)	(0)	(1)	(9)	(18)	4.61/5.0
The presenters added an important element.	(0)	(0)	(1)	(6)	(22)	4.72/5.0
I met colleagues I might otherwise have not met.	(0)	(0)	(0)	(2)	(26)	4.93/5.0
The workshop exposed me to new information.	(0)	(1)	(1)	(10)	(14)	4.42/5.0
I am interested in being involved in subsequent workshops on related topics next year.	(0)	(0)	(2)	(6)	(18)	4.62/5.0
Overall Value						
Applicable Content	(0)	(0)	(2)	(8)	(19)	4.59/5.0
Informative	(0)	(0)	(3)	(8)	(18)	4.52/5.0
Thought Stimulation	(0)	(1)	(1)	(5)	(21)	4.64/5.0

Challenges

- Time, time, time
- Committee composition
- Ultimate purpose
 - Integration into broader campus initiatives

Provost's Initiatives

- Goal 1:
 - Supporting Fulbright and other international research and scholarly/creative activity opportunities.
- Goal 2:
 - **The university will internationalize the curriculum, especially by funding curriculum transformation/infusion workshops.**
 - The university will support faculty and students in pursuing global academic experiences, especially by increasing study abroad opportunities and providing adequate support staffing in the Study Abroad Office.
- Goal 4:
 - The University will enhance recruitment, retention, and support programs for all racial, ethnic, and international groups, especially by:
 - Contracting with appropriate international student recruitment firms.
 - Developing and expanding programs through the International Office, including new student orientation and acculturation programming.

The Common Experience

A Global Odyssey:

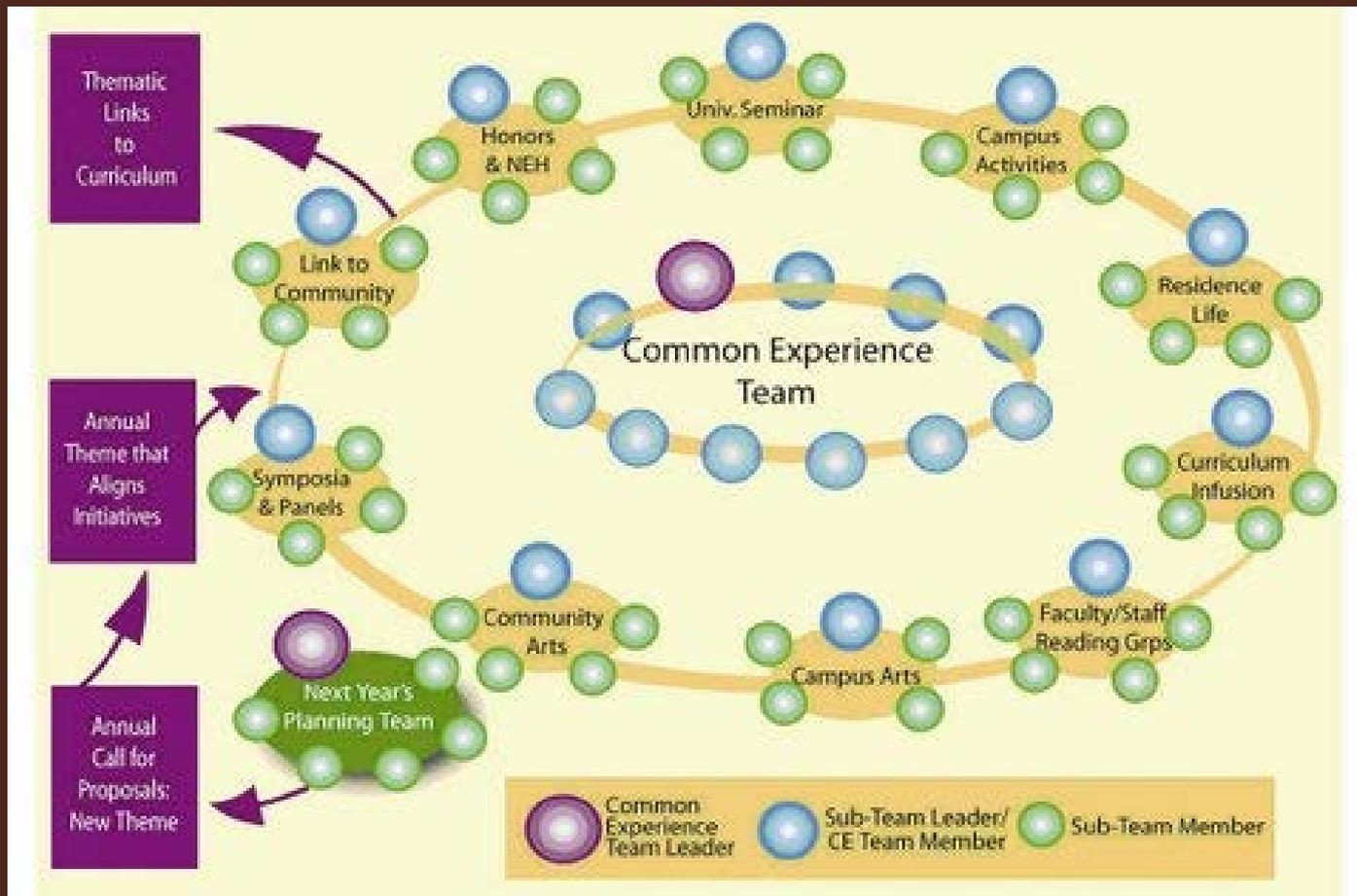
Exploring our Connections to

the Changing World

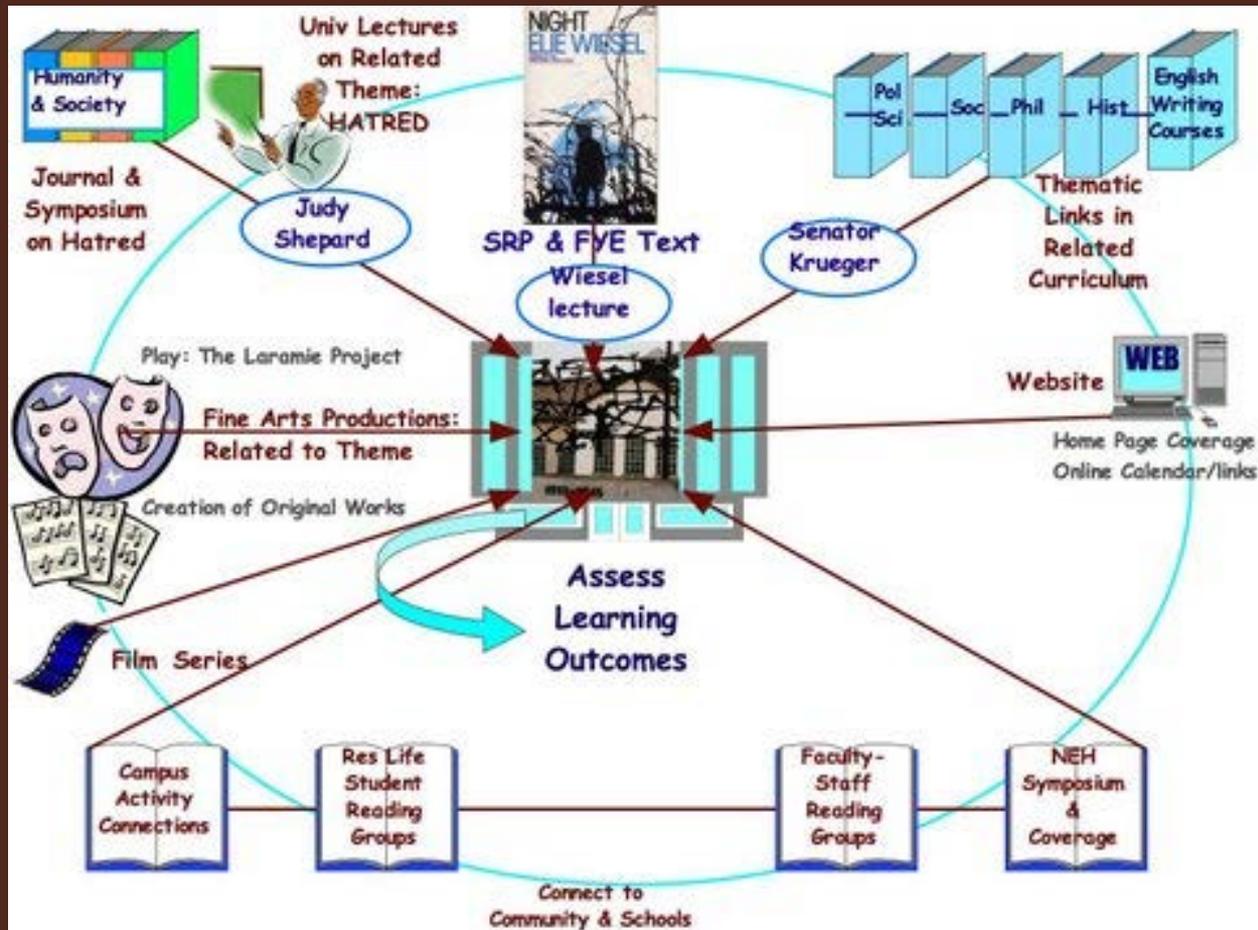
Beginnings in 2004

- First conversation – in a pub in England
- First action – FYE class buying a book
- First meeting – representatives from:
 - Departments: English, Honors, Speech, Theatre, Business, and the Arts
 - Student Affairs: Residence Life, Counseling Center, Health Center, Library, and Technology
 - Groups: Faculty, Students, Staff, and Community

The Design Team



The Activities



Time Frame

- 18 months - Call for proposals,
 - asking for theme and context of theme
- 15 months - Selection of proposal by committee
- 14 months - First team meeting
- 14 months through last month – Meetings with theme committee members to plan the Common Experience.
 - Charged with suggesting speakers and summer reading book, planning events
- Freshman Convocation – Begin Common Experience

Administrative Structure

- Co-Chairs
 - Budget, event management
 - Community involvement, event planning
 - Theme development, proposal committee, Common Experience lead person for the year

Budget

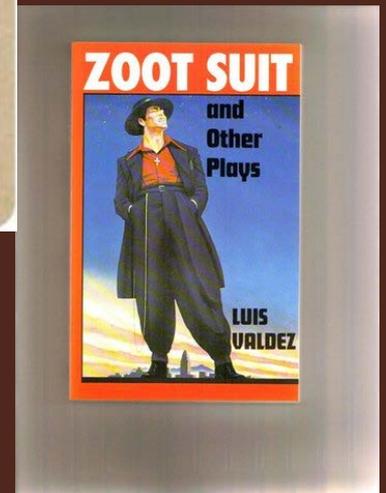
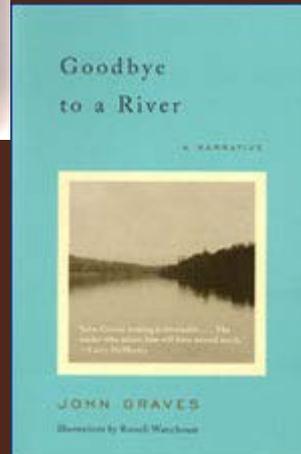
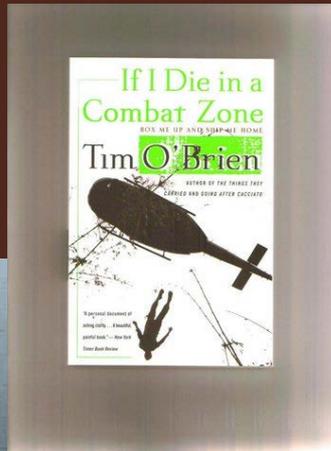
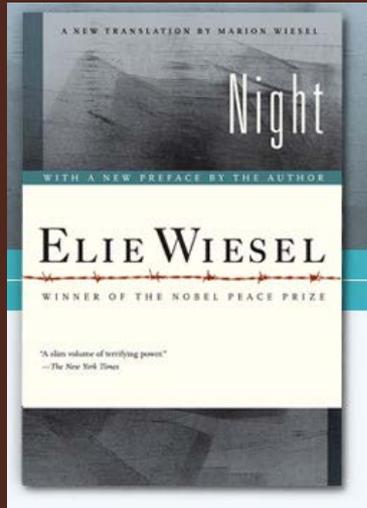
- Initial Budget = \$5,000
- Current Budget = ?
 - Speaker \$43,000 (Began with \$0 in 2004)
- Other sources of funds
 - Lecture series
 - Outside sponsorships
 - Ticket sales
 - Donations

Benefits

- University commitment
- Cross-discipline relationships
- Diverse cultural experiences for students & campus
- New theme every year
- Interconnectedness of themes
- Community involvement
- Favorable image of the university
- Growth of intellectual community on campus

Books

- Beginning with “Night” by Elie Wiesel



Speakers



Cotton Miller / Star photo



Publicity

- Newspapers, Facebook, Twitter, Websites, Emails, Posters

Spring 2013 Common Experience

Tibetan monks from Drepung Loseling Monastery share the

mystical arts of tibet

including mandala sand painting, a sacred music and dance performance and a blessing of the San Marcos River.

January 28 to February 1 | January 31

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM | 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

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Challenges

- Funding
- Summer reading book – faculty v. students
- Scheduling venues
- Connections
- Student involvement

Opportunities



Activities

- Speakers
- Panels
- Plays
- Concerts
- Art Exhibits
- Films
- Presentations
- Workshops
- Farmer's Market
- Visits (Tibetan Monks)
- Field Trips
- Meetings
- Showcases
- Philosophy Dialogues



A Global Odyssey: Exploring our Connections to the Changing World

The Peters Projection: An Area Accurate Map, <http://www.petersmap.com/>

Become more **aware** of the complex geographic, political, and economic interconnectedness of today's world

Become more **equipped** with essential 21st century skills

Become more **empowered** toward improving the quality of life at the local and global levels

Become more socially **responsible** members of society

Become more **appreciative** of the vibrant and varied cultures across the globe

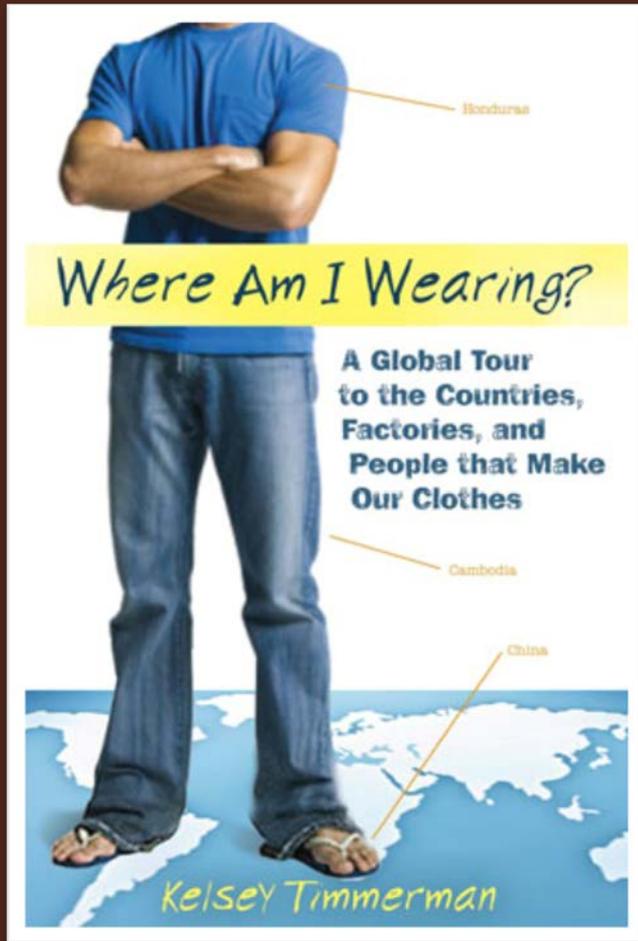
Summer Reading: *Where Am I Wearing* by Kelsey Timmerman



Featured Events

2012-2013

Kelsey Timmerman



September 27
Strahan Coliseum
7:00pm

<http://www.txstate.edu/commonexperience/book/book.html>

Kelsey's Website:
<http://whereamiwearing.com/>

Ethan Zuckerman



October 29th
Evans Auditorium
7:00 pm

<http://www.txstate.edu/commonexperience/calendar.html>

Ethan Zuckerman is an activist and scholar whose work focuses on the global blogosphere, free expression and social translation in the developing world. He is the director of the MIT Center for Civic Media. In this role, Ethan contributes both to the understanding of the role and power of civic media in the broader media ecosystem, and builds tools that help communities around the world share their perspectives and stories.

www.ethanzuckerman.com

http://www.ted.com/talks/ethan_zuckerman.html

The Mystical Arts of Tibet



Mandala Sand Painting

- From all the artistic traditions of Tantric Buddhism, that of painting with colored sand ranks as one of the most unique and exquisite. In Tibetan this art is called *dul-tson-kyil-khor*, which literally means "mandala of colored powders." Millions of grains of sand are painstakingly laid into place on a flat platform over a period of days or weeks.

<http://www.mysticalartsoftibet.org/>



Other Common Experience Events

Be sure to follow the CE on Facebook
or Twitter

<http://www.txstate.edu/commonexperience/calendar.html>



The CE Manual – on TRACS

US 1100 Common Experience
2012-2013



**A Global Odyssey: Exploring Our Connections
to the Changing World**

"Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrowmindedness, and many of our people need it sorely on these accounts. Broad, wholesome, charitable views of men and things cannot be acquired by vegetating in one little corner of the earth all one's lifetime."

-Mark Twain

Mini Grant Proposals

<http://www.txstate.edu/commonexperience/proposals/minigrant.html>



Thank You!