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# Global Classroom

## Youth & Education Programs



*Take part in the World Affairs Council of Oregon's Global Classroom, connecting Oregon students and K-12 educators to the world.*

### **Culture Boxes & the Global & Multicultural Resource Center**

Students of all ages can experience the art, culture and daily life of other cultures in a dynamic and interesting way by digging into hands-on treasures from around the world found in our Culture Boxes on over 100 countries. **Please turn this flier over to find out how easy it is to bring Culture Boxes to your classroom!**

### **Teach the World Educator Workshops and High School Youth Forums**

Our K-12 Educator Workshops and High School Youth Forums provide people to people opportunities and educational resources, strengthening knowledge about regions of the world and important global issues. These events feature engaging speakers on topics such as politics, history, geography, gender, immigration, environmental issues, social action, the arts. And much more!

### **Young Leaders in Action**

Bringing together 20 high school students from across Oregon, this year-round program offers monthly global issue discussions, leadership workshops, and community service projects with an international impact. Applications for each year's cohort are accepted March through mid-May.

### **International Youth Leadership Exchanges**

Through U.S. Department of State leadership exchanges, the Council annually hosts over 100 students and educators from around the world. Invite a visiting delegation to your classroom or youth group for engaging conversations on culture and youth activism or welcome a visitor into your home for dinner or overnight hosting. Short-term reciprocal exchanges also allow Oregon students to travel the world and grow as leaders. **Contact Amy Barss [amy@worldoregon.org](mailto:amy@worldoregon.org)**

### **Events and Lectures**

Attend one of our over 60 public events each year, ranging from lectures with international experts, to author readings, discussions on hot-button issues, networking nights, and cultural outings. Online video streaming and resource guides are also available for our **International Speaker Series** and **Great Decisions** lectures, allowing you to bring the voices of international experts into your classroom.

### **Membership**

Join a community of globally-minded citizens and support the work of the World Affairs Council. Teacher and student memberships include discounted admission to Council events, special subscription rates for *The Economist*, *The New Yorker*, and *Foreign Affairs*, and email updates with Council news and events.

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# Global & Multicultural Resource Center

## Let our Culture Boxes bring the world to your classroom!

The **Global & Multicultural Resource Center** is the heart of the Global Classroom Program. Its most outstanding feature is its extensive collection of **Culture Boxes** representing over 100 countries of the world. These boxes are filled with hands-on, authentic treasures and lessons about the art, culture, and daily life of people from every continent. Its **Equity Materials Library** addresses multicultural, anti-bias, civil and human rights issues both here and around the globe. Our **Cultural Immersion Program** helps transform your school into a microcosm of the world with cultural displays, guest speakers, artists-in-residence, and props.



For a list of Culture Boxes, props, books & Equity Materials, and to view a how-to video visit:

<http://worldoregon.org/education/classroom-resources>

### Reservations and Appointments

The Center is open from Monday to Wednesday by appointment only. To reserve Culture Boxes for your classroom or to make an appointment for a visit or group orientation, please email Karen Ettinger at [karen@worldoregon.org](mailto:karen@worldoregon.org).

### User Fees and Deposits

The user fee for each set of culture boxes depends on the number and size of the boxes it contains and ranges anywhere from \$15 to \$65 a month. Discount prices are offered with school or teacher membership in the World Affairs Council and a sliding scale can be applied depending on financial need whether you are a member or not. Prop costs vary and UN Flags are \$1 each. Payment can be by check or credit card and a returnable deposit is required.

### Parking and Pick Up

We are located on the 3rd Floor of the Oregon Historical Society Building at in Portland. When you pick up Culture Boxes please come in to fill out forms and receive an orientation. The closest parking is metered on the street and the nearest parking lot is on Park and Main St. When you are ready to leave you can use the OHS loading zone in the parking garage on the Madison Street side of their building for a convenient pick-up.

### Invite GUEST SPEAKERS from Around the World to your Classroom!

The Culture Boxes are a great catalyst for meeting people from the countries they represent. Our **International Speakers Bureau** of college students, community members and International Visitor Program guests are happy to bring your Culture Box experience to life! Please email [karen@worldoregon.org](mailto:karen@worldoregon.org) for more information and to make arrangements.

Meet the Coordinators of the Portland State University International Cultural Service Program (ICSP) and make arrangements for an ICSP visit to your classroom here:

<http://worldoregon.org/education/classroom-resources/global-speakers>