Fireside Chat With Shunying Wang

On Thursday June 4th, 2020 the Office of International Education and Study Abroad hosted a Fireside Chat With Shunying Wang. Shunying is an international alumna at Olympic College who is described as an active learner. She worked as a tutor, a student office assistant, and a part-time writer during her time at Olympic College. She received many awards from both the college and a university she attended. She worked as a tech recruiter for Microsoft for over one year and is recognized by her colleagues at her work as harwoking. She is an inspiration to both her colleagues and new people that she meets.

In her talk on Thursday, she shared her life and educational experiences. She helped students identify, and explore themselves to become better people. She shared resources from websites that help identify, and develop ourselves. She helped us find opportunities online, through LinkedIn and Microsoft. After this workshop, each person learnt a different lesson of their own. For me, I was inspired, and motivated by her. I’m so ready to get out there and try new things. - Vy Le (Vietnam)

Important Dates

- June 12: Registration begins for new students for summer/fall
- June 16-19: Weekday final exams and/or instruction
- June 19: Spring quarter ends
- June 22: Tuition payment deadline – then 48 hours after enrolling
- June 30: Last day to request 100% refund for withdrawal from classes
- July 1: Grades available
- July 6: Deadline to register for class w/o instructor permission except for Continuous Enrollment (CE) classes
- July 10: e-Commencement Ceremony

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In the Identity Development Workshop hosted by the International office, we discussed one very important self-development question, who we are and what defines who we are. To better understand ourselves we discussed the identity iceberg. As we all know, the iceberg has the top which everybody can see and the bottom which isn't really visible. Just as an iceberg we have identities that people can easily see and identify. For example, your facial features or the color of your skin that are visible, then we have those identities that aren't really visible like religious beliefs and your social background.

We also talked about different cultures, how do our cultural backgrounds define our identities and how do we incorporate new cultures into our lives to make us unique than we were before. The discussion proved to be an eye opener to question who we really are and most importantly who we can become.

We gathered one last time for our end of the academic year virtual lounge, and I can say it was a real success! We played a round of guessing game trivia where a person had to describe something and the rest of us had to guess what they are describing. It was fun because it personally helped me broaden my perspective on different things that I really did not know.

The most important part of the Lounge presented itself when we decided to talk about the currently on-going protest of Black Lives Matter. It was a great learning moment to share the different views and experiences that our students had.

Lastly, we said our final goodbyes to our graduation class of 2020, and wished them the best of luck in their future endeavors.

Please join us in our virtual lounge in summer 2020!