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University of Lethbridge highlights for the week of November 5 to 12

The University of Lethbridge has several events lined up this week that may be of interest to your readers, viewers and listeners. Members of the media who are interested in covering these events are encouraged to contact the individual event organizer directly.

International Education Week

Monday, Nov. 5 to Friday, Nov. 9, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Atrium, University Hall The International Office and Asian Studies have organized a week full of activities to celebrate cross-cultural learning, diversity and international education. The program includes demonstrations of various martial arts, cultural dances and information sessions on studying abroad. The full schedule can be found on the U of L's <u>International</u> website.

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iGEM teams bring home gold and silver from Boston's Giant Jamboree Tuesday, Nov. 6, 9:30 a.m., M1090, Markin Hall

Media are invited to meet members of the U of L's gold-winning VINCEnT team to learn about their synthetic biology project to target zebra mussels. They will also discuss the high school team's project, which was awarded a silver medal, to capture and remove metals from tailings ponds and effluent water.

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Blockchain workshop

Tuesday, Nov. 6 and Thursday, Nov. 8, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Dr. Foster James Penny Building, 324 5 St.

The Dhillon School of Business is offering a workshop that will cover concepts from business management and blockchain to cryptocurrencies and smart contracts with a focus on energy, agriculture and manufacturing. Sessions will be led by Dan Giurescu, founder of TerraHub.

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She Kills Monsters

Tuesday, Nov. 6 to Saturday, Nov. 10, 7:30 p.m., University Theatre

The U of L Department of Drama presents a comedic romp in the world of fantasy and role-playing games. The play tells the story of Agnes Evans as she leaves her childhood home following the death of her teenage sister. When Agnes finds her sister's Dungeons & Dragons notebook, she stumbles into a journey of discovery and adventure in the imaginary world that was Tilly's refuge.

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Spatial Cognition and the Avian Hippocampus

Thursday, Nov. 8, 10 to 11 a.m., EP1201, Canadian Centre for Behavioural Neuroscience

Dr. Diano Marrone, a professor at Wilfrid Laurier University, will talk about spatial cognition, that is, the ability to perceive, operate on and recall information about spatial environments, and how it's crucial to the survival of a species. Most research into the neural circuitry supporting spatial cognition has been conducted on mammals. Marrone has conducted research on birds to better understand how birds solve advanced spatial problems.

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Refugio opening reception

Thursday, Nov. 8, 4 to 6 p.m., Hess Gallery, Level 6, Centre for the Arts

Artist Sarah Fuller brings her interests in photography and performance together in this exhibition. Visitors enter a small-scale theatre based on the famous Paris diorama by Louis Daguerre. Rather than the sublime alpine scenes common in the original version, Fuller tells the tale of two rare insects that live in remote locations, one in Australia and one in the Canadian Rockies.

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