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## **University of Lethbridge highlights for the week of October 22 to 28**

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.

### **Thinking Globally, Thinking Nationally**

**Monday, Oct. 22, 7 p.m., Theatre Gallery, Lethbridge Public Library**

This public panel discussion features Dr. Julie Young, a geography professor, Dr. Pascal Ghazalian, an economics professor, Celeste Barnes, a graduate student, and Kamrul Islam, a postdoctoral fellow, talking about issues like trade, climate change, borders, refugees and asylum seekers.

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### **Was Hannibal a military genius?**

**Wednesday, Oct. 24, 5 to 6:30 p.m., C610, University Hall**

The Classical Association of Canada's Western Tour features a talk by Dr. Michael Fronza, a professor at McGill. He will discuss Hannibal's tactics, strategy and military leadership in an attempt to determine if he was, in fact, a great general.

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### **Crossing Boundaries & IAST 2018**

**Thursday, Oct. 25 to Saturday, Oct. 27, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Centre for the Arts**

Crossing Boundaries showcases the diversity and cross-disciplinary nature of the professional creative world and spurs the conversation about the future directions of art and technology. The symposium draws leaders, researchers and students from science, interactive arts and technology throughout Western Canada for three days of presentations, performances, displays, lectures and cluster meetings. See the [full schedule](#).

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### **Psychology Colloquium — Francisco Gomez Jimenez**

**Thursday, Oct. 25, 3 to 4:20 p.m., C630, University Hall**

Gomez Jimenez, a graduate student, will discuss his work with Istmo Zapotec muxes, an Indigenous culture in Oaxaca, Mexico that identifies a third gender — biological males who are sexually attracted to males. From an evolutionary standpoint, the existence of muxes reduces reproduction. However, a possible theory holds that the genes for same-sex male attraction persist if these males invest time and resources in their nieces and nephews. Gomez Jimenez investigated this theory and found that muxes were indeed more willing to give time to their close kin than heterosexual men.

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### **Pacioli Dinner**

**Thursday, Oct. 25, 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Markin Hall Atrium**

The Dhillon School of Business Student Professional Development and the Accounting faculty present a dinner with guest speaker Jennifer Moss, cofounder of Plasticity Labs. Plasticity Labs provides tools that allow organizations to tap into employee sentiment and increase workplace happiness. Employee disengagement costs Canadian companies \$5 billion a year. Moss, author of *Unlocking Happiness at Work*, will provide practical advice that helps people train their brains to become happier, higher-performing leaders.

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### **Traditional Knowledge in Policy and Practice**

**Thursday, Oct. 25, 7 to 9 p.m., North Wing Community Room, Lethbridge Public Library**

The Centre for Oral History and Tradition (COHT) has brought together three speakers to share their experiences collecting and applying traditional knowledge. Ira Provost, manager of Piikani Consultation and Piikani Traditional Knowledge Services, works to create meaningful relationships and build capacity in the protection of Piikani educational and historical resources. Neil Mirau, a senior archaeologist and partner at Arrow Archaeology Ltd., has worked with First Nations, particularly those in the Blackfoot Confederacy, to assess, preserve and protect archaeological and traditional resources. Perry Stein, project manager and intermediate community planner at Aaron Aubin Consulting, has worked extensively with urban, rural, regional and Indigenous communities in Alberta and British Columbia.

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### **PUBLIC Professor — Creating Heroes and Claiming the North**

**Thursday, Oct. 25, 7 to 9 p.m., Sandman Signature Lethbridge Lodge**

This edition of PUBLIC Professor features Dr. Maura Hanrahan, U of L geography professor, as she explores how Captain Robert Abram Bartlett attempted the Pole with Admiral Peary, advanced Canadian sovereignty in the Arctic and was responsible for one of the most remarkable Arctic rescues of all time.

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### **Border as Archive**

**Friday, Oct. 26, noon to 1:30 p.m., L1102, Prentice Institute Board Room, Library**

This instalment of the Brown Bag Lecture Series is focused on the number of people crossing irregularly from the United States to make a claim for refugee status in Canada. Dr. Julie Young, a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in Critical Border Studies, will examine the history and geopolitics of contested crossings.

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**Cor Van Raay Agribusiness Case Competition**

**Friday, Oct. 26, 5:30 p.m. to Saturday, Oct. 27, 6:30 p.m., Markin Hall Atrium and Garden Court restaurant, Lethbridge College**

Teams of students will have the opportunity to enhance their teamwork skills, improve their problem-solving abilities, gain networking experience, glean insight into agricultural innovation and win cash prizes over the two days of the case competition. Following a reception and keynote speech on Friday evening, the case competition begins at 8 a.m. Saturday in Markin Hall. A gala dinner and awards presentation at the Garden Court wrap up the event.

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**SAMWAK**

**Saturday, Oct. 27, 10 to 11:30 a.m., PB210, Dr. Foster James Penny Building, 324 5 St. S.**

Samwak, which means announce in the Waray dialect of the Philippines, is a community speaker series hosted by the Department of Women & Gender Studies that will feature students, faculty and practitioners sharing their research. For the first session, Roxanna Epe, a PhD candidate, will talk about gender, conflict and disaster in the Philippines.

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