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Project Jayhawk 2.0

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For the second year, the AEC welcomes a group of 13 Vietnamese High School teachers for the 2015-16 academic year. These EFL teachers come from many different provinces throughout Vietnam where they work with gifted high school students.

Their program is designed to 1) enhance their English language teaching capabilities, 2) introduce them to the use of information technology in the EFL classroom, and 3) prepare them to train other English language teachers in Vietnam.

They will be taking English language classes as well as teacher training courses. Also, as part of their program, they will have many cultural experiences including participating in a faculty mentor program and attending a professional conference in October.
AEC students Summer Saito, Jane Kudo, and Haruka Tsubota prepare their sandwiches for Connect International Lunch hosted at the ECM building. The lunch includes free ham and turkey sandwiches, or if you are vegetarian there are vegetables and cheese available, or peanut butter and jelly.

Current conversation leaders Sandra Vega-Carrero and Annette Jardon met former conversation leaders Laura Reynolds and Nanyi Deng at Connect International Lunch. The lunch is open to all KU students, faculty, and staff.
Q&A: Smoking on Campus

A student recently asked me what the regulations were for smoking on the KU campus. Basically, you can’t smoke anywhere inside a building and while you can smoke outside, you must not be closer than 20 feet from any building. This means that standing outside the steps to Fraser Hall is not acceptable. You need to be standing closer to the bus stop on Jayhawk Boulevard. Here is the formal wording from the University policy webpage:

No smoking, including the use of electronic cigarettes, or tobacco use is permitted within twenty feet of any part of any campus building, including overhangs, or within twenty feet of air intakes. Smoke must not drift through opened windows or doors. If buildings have an “overhang,” the twenty-foot radius is measured from the outside perimeter of the “overhang.” Smoking, including the use of electronic cigarettes, and tobacco use also are prohibited in any other outdoor areas where “No Smoking” signs are posted.

http://policy.ku.edu/provost/smoking-policy

International Coffee Hour

3:00pm - 4:30pm

Refreshments at 3:00pm
Presentation at 3:30pm

Watson Library
3rd floor
West Gallery

1st & 3rd Friday

September through December•

•Final event on Dec. 4, 2015

Join us for free coffee, tea, and cookies!

Fall 2015 Dates

September 4, 2015
September 18, 2015
October 2, 2015
October 16, 2015
November 6, 2015
November 20, 2015
December 4, 2015

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How often do you use Microsoft Word? How often do you use Microsoft PowerPoint? Do you know how to use these programs efficiently and effectively? The University of Kansas offers a FREE set of tutorials to help you acquire and master the skills you need to be successful with Microsoft software. All you need is access to the internet, a computer, and your KU online ID! Follow the steps at the end to access these tutorials.

Once you have created an account, you have access to the course catalog. The Catalog allows you to access all the tutorials offered by the IT Academy. Each tutorial contains an outline of the material covered, so you know what you will be taught before spending the time watching the videos. The subjects of the tutorials are broken down into modules where each module has “Knowledge Checks” to see what you have learned. Some tutorials are offered in languages other than English including Arabic, Portuguese, Chinese, Russian, Korean, Spanish, Japanese, and French. The tutorials include videos and subtitles. You can watch the videos at your own leisure and the program will remember which videos you have watched. Each tutorial is broken down into smaller videos, so you can skip around to focus on the skills you would like to develop. Within each subject area, there are demos which show you how to use the skills. Additionally, there are interactive practice videos.
Follow these steps to access these tutorials:

**Initial Access:**

*It’s best to use Internet Explorer. Firefox will also work, but you’ll need to enable the Silverlight add on. Chrome doesn’t work.*

On the Microsoft login page, type your **KU Online ID** followed by @**home.ku.edu** in the username box and then press the tab key to be redirected to KU’s login page.

On the KU login page, enter your **KU Online ID** and **password**. If it is your first time logging in, you’ll need to accept the agreement and then create a profile.

You can either select **My courses** to start a pre-populated course or you can search for a course using the search box.

**If you are a returning visitor:**
Open a Web browser and go to [https://itacademy.microsoft.com](https://itacademy.microsoft.com). It’s best to use Internet Explorer. Firefox will also work, but you’ll need to enable the Silverlight add on. Chrome doesn’t work.

Select **Sign In**.
Select **Office 365 account**.
In the Email or phone box, enter your **KU Online ID** followed by @**home.ku.edu** then press the tab key to be redirected to KU’s login page.

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The Kansas City Trip Series Presents

The Kansas City Zoo

Saturday, October 10th, 2015

Meet in front of the Kansas Union at 12:15 p.m. to get on the bus.
The bus will arrive back in front of the Kansas Union at 7:00 p.m.

Cost: $15.00 per person, covers bus and zoo admittance
(no refunds)

Tickets go on sale Friday, Oct 2nd in the Kansas Union Box Office.
Must purchase by 6:00 pm on Thursday, Oct. 8th.

Who can purchase tickets? KU students, scholars and staff.
Family members are also welcome, but no children in car seats.

Questions?
Contact Steven Sweat in ISS at steven.sweat@ku.edu or
Tiffany Learned in the AEC at tlearned@ku.edu.
Enterprise Rent-a-Car- While there are many rental car companies, Enterprise offers cars on the KU campus. Students can sign up for membership, then go online to reserve a car when they need it for hourly rates. There are currently two Enterprise cars on campus -- one in lot 16 and one in lot 104. Students interested in signing up for membership may do so at the Enterprise CarShare website at enterprisecarshare.com.

Amtrak Train- Amtrak is the American train system. We do not have high-speed trains anywhere in the U.S. The advantage of using Amtrak is that our train station is in downtown Lawrence at 7th and New Hampshire streets so it’s easy to get to. The disadvantage is that we only have one train line in Lawrence and it is quite slow. The line is called the Southwest Chief and it runs from Chicago to Los Angeles daily. It does make stops in some notable cities such as Kansas City MO, St. Louis MO, and Albuquerque NM. Many KU students frequently take this train to Chicago. Travel time will be about nine hours. Tickets can be purchased at www.amtrak.com.

Greyhound Bus- Greyhound is the most popular bus service in the U.S. The Greyhound bus stop in Lawrence is at a gas station at 2447 W. 6th St. The gas station is close but the bus still stops there. While bus travel can be cheap, it is not a common way to travel for Americans because it is quite slow. The buses make many stops. Tickets can be purchased at www.greyhound.com.

Kansas City International Airport- Americans typically travel by plane. Although the prices are not cheap, it is the fastest way to travel in the U.S. The disadvantage is that we don’t have an airport near Lawrence so you will need to find a way to the airport. Additionally, air travel in the U.S. needs to be booked as far in advance as you can. As you get closer to the day of travel the prices will go up be a lot!

Airport Shuttle- We have many options for airport shuttles. The AEC uses BATS.

Better Alternative Transportation Services (BATS): 24/7 door-to-door service; individual rates. Call 913-634-5484 to reserve a shuttle.

Jawhawk Taxi : 24/7 door-to-door service; fixed rate to the airport for 1-2 passengers. Call 785-843-8294 to make a reservation.
Better, Faster, More, English. What's the Point?

The Point is the AEC's Academic Resource Center. The staff are all current AEC instructors. We're here to help AEC students with specific questions about their classwork, or just to work on a special area.

Room 438 Anschutz Library, Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information talk to your AEC instructor or email Tiffany Learned at tlearned@ku.edu.