Winter Brazilian Teachers Program

We are sad to announce that the participants of the Brazilian Teachers Program will soon be leaving. In total there are 30 teachers in the program. They joined our ESL Reading and Writing classes and then they had classes just for them about Teaching English and American Culture. They all had something to say about their experience in Chicago and at Loyola:

It has been a rewarding experience! I'll miss my teachers and new friends of Chicago and Loyola. I hope to come back soon!” - Benélia

Being in Chicago and studying at Loyola is amazing. I’ll miss many things from here but I am going to use the knowledge I got here! Thanks a lot teachers! - Romeu

“I loved every single day. I’ll be back!” - Andrea N. Gomes

“I spent an unforgettable time at Loyola University, and in Chicago. Chicagoans are really nice and helpful. I loved everybody!” - Ana Paula Mariano

“Chicago: First thought: Too cold! Final thought: I’ve survived and had a great time here. Thanks everybody!” - Elaine Riberio

“Being here in Chicago and attending Loyola’s classes were really for me. The time I had was one of the best of my life! Thanks for everything!” - Nei

“Studying in Loyola is now part of my life and I will be proud of talking about it to everyone, everything. Everything I learned here will be with me forever. Go Ramblers!!” - Mauro Marcel

“It was an amazing experience to live and to study here in Chicago! Thanks Brazil, USA, and Loyola University for this opportunity!” - Elias Alves

Did you know that....

- Brasilia is the capital city of Brazil.
- Brazil is the longest country in the world spanning 2800 miles via land from north to south.
- The Christ Redeemer located in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil is one of the new seven wonders of the world.
- Brazil has 60% of the rainforests that make up the Amazon rain forests.
- The country is the largest Portuguese speaking country in the Americas and has the largest Portuguese speaking population in the world.
- The best coffee in the world is said to come from Brazil.
In September 1915, historian Carter G. Woodson and the Rev. Jesse E. Moorland founded the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History. The organization’s goal was to identify and promote the accomplishments of Americans of African descent. In 1926, the organization sponsored a national Negro History Week, with the celebration falling in the second week of February, according to the Library of Congress site dedicated to Black History Month. This period was chosen to coincide with the birthdays of both Abraham Lincoln and Frederick Douglass.

Since 1928, every Black History week or month has had a theme that recognizes pivotal events or topics that should be highlighted during the year’s celebration. The 2013 theme -- "Crossroads of Freedom and Equality: The Emancipation Proclamation and the March on Washington" -- recognized the 150th and 50th anniversaries of those key events in black American history. The theme for 2014 is “Civil Rights in America.”


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**ELLP Spotlight: Meet Steven!**

Steven is the ELLP Coordinator. He joined us Monday January 27.

**NAME:** Steven H __________ Fehr (First student to guess my middle name wins a prize.)

**AGE:** Hey, that is personal! J

**HOMETOWN:** Toledo, Ohio

**EDUCATION:** Xavier University (Cincinnati, Ohio) – B.A. Loyola University of Chicago – M.A.

**FAVORITE PLACES IN CHICAGO:** Anywhere along the lake in the summer. You can find me playing Frisbee, riding my bike, swimming, or taking a nap. Some of my favorite beaches are on the South Side because there are not many people! But, I also enjoy playing volleyball at North Avenue beach.

**HOBBIES:** Tennis, Ultimate Frisbee, Cycling, Live Music, Good Beer, Crossword Puzzles, Board Games, Basketball, Travelling, Reading

**INTERESTING FACTS:** I have met two Presidents of the United States. I have a Black Belt in Karate. I am also an Eagle Scout. By the way, there are even more than just these things!

**P.S.** I am really excited to be at Loyola University of Chicago and help all of the students have a positive and educational experience in Chicago. Please don’t hesitate to visit and introduce yourself. I am in office 105 at Loyola Hall. I look forward to meeting and getting to know all of you!
### February and March Calendar

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#### Things to do during Spring Break:
- National Vietnam Veterans Art Museum
- If you are of age visit **Sidekicks** a VINTAGE Karaoke bar
- Visit **Music Box Theaters** for Foreign and Independent Films!
- Are you a vegetarian that wants to try good food? Even if you are not but want to try something new! Visit **Pick me up Café**

For more ideas check out: Chicago.metromix.com

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#### Announcements

**Midterm Exam** Week: February 24-27
Study! Get Rest! And Meditate if you need to! If you have concerns about your grades or have questions in general, visit your teacher during office hours!

If you signed up for a conversation partner you can meet them February 28 in Sullivan Center 202 at 3-5pm! Come get free pizza!

**Calling to all volunteers!**

If you would like to give back to your community and spend some of your free time volunteering, please send Steven Fehr an email: sfehr@luc.edu

**What to do for St. Patrick’s Day?**
At 10 am they will dye the river green! Get there early!
Go to the **Parade that starts at 12pm!**

The parade will start in the intersection of Columbus Dr. and Balbo Dr. and finish in the intersection of Columbus Dr. and Monroe Dr.

There will be a festival at the Irish Heritage Center (4626 N. Knox Ave) Tickets are $15 for adults or $12 if bought in advanced.