

ALL WEEK – January 16 to 19

Refugee Awareness Week Information Booth - Ring Road (10 a.m. - 2 p.m.)

Find out more about the week's events, view a slideshow of photos taken by UCI students of Palestinian and Syrian refugee camps and purchase merchandise.

Rohingya Refugee Photography Exhibit by David Verberckt North Korean Refugee Art by Sun Mu

Viewpoint Gallery at UCI Student Center (8 a.m. to 8 p.m.)

Tuesday, January 16

Panel: A Critical Discussion on the Global Refugee Crisis

4 – 5 p.m. - UCI Student Center, Emerald Bay B

Join a panel of UCI scholars as they discuss the current refugee framework and its challenges, offer reforms, and share concrete steps we can take to address the crisis.

Workshop: Making a Difference for Refugees Locally

5 - 6 p.m. - UCI Student Center, Emerald Bay B

Learn about the challenges refugees face in California and brainstorm solutions in small groups. The best idea(s) will be eligible for a grant from the UCI Blum Center.

Wednesday, January 17

Film Screening: I am Sun Mu

5 - 6:45 p.m. - UCI Student Center, Crystal Cove Auditorium

Learn about the life and work of Sun Mu, a North Korean defector turned political pop artist whose work is displayed at the Viewpoint Gallery. Followed by Q&A with the film's editor.

Keynote: Stories of Syrian Refugee Students

7 – 8:30 p.m. - UCI Student Center, Crystal Cove Auditorium

Join UCI Professor Amal Alachkar, former professor from Aleppo, Syria, as she shares her story and the stories of her students to highlight the impact of creating higher education opportunities for refugees. Learn about involvement opportunities from local organizations.

Thursday, January 18

Lecture: Migration, the Diffuse Border, and other Gray Areas of Our Times

5 - 6:20 p.m. - UCI School of Social Sciences, SSPA 1100

Hosted by ISPF, this important topic will be presented by University of Notre Dame Professor Maurizio Albahari.

Closing Social

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. - UCI Student Center, Doheny Beach A

Join us for a social concluding Refugee Awareness Week and meet some of the events' speakers, members of non-profit organizations, newly resettled refugee families, and passionate students. Light refreshments will be provided. RSVP required.