Symposia
October 4-6: Culture, Politics & Change in Contemporary Cuba
- A symposium at the University of Iowa and Grinnell College
October 8-11: The Palestinian/Israeli Conflict in Perspective
- Student Presentation: “Witness to Injustice: Personal Experiences from the Intifada” by Elizabeth Koch ’02, Grinnell College student – intern for B’Tselem, The Israeli Information Center for Human Rights in the Occupied Territories, Jerusalem and Leah Uberseder ’02, Earlham College Student, Intern for Alternative Information, Jerusalem; participation in the Great Lakes Jerusalem Program
- “De quoi s’agit-il? (What is it all about?)” by Professor David Shoenbaum, Department of History, University of Iowa
- “Religious Dimensions of the Israel-Palestine Conflict & the New World Crisis” by Professor Fred Astren, Jewish St. Program, San Francisco State University
- “Human Rights and Humanitarian Law Issues in the Conflict” by Joseph Stork, Washington Director, Middle East & North Africa Division, Human Rights Watch
- “The Relevance of Human Rights to a Renewed Israeli/Palestinian Peace Process” by Edward Kaufman, Executive Director, Harry S. Truman Research Institute for the Advancement of Peace, The Hebrew University

November 6-8: New Faces in Iowa: The Challenges & Prospects Created by Recent Immigration
- “The Historical Context of Immigration to Iowa” by Professor Dorothy Schwieder, Department of History, Iowa State University
- “The Demographics of Diversity & Immigration in Iowa” by Sandra Charvat Burke, Census Surv. & Department of Sociology, Iowa State University
- Panel: “Iowa As Seen Through the Eyes of Newcomers” by representatives of the most recently arrived groups
- Scholar’s Convocation: “Iowa 2010 – The New Face of Iowa” by David Oman, Chairman, Governor’s Strategic Planning Council
- “The New Iowans: The Historic & Economic Context for Recent Immigration and What it Means for Iowa Communities” by Professor Mark Grey, Department of Anthropology, University of Northern Iowa
- Panel: “Challenges and Prospects” with representatives of offices and agencies that deal with the needs of recent immigrants and refugees in Iowa

Lectures
October 8: “Out of the Past & For the Future of the Maya Forest: The El Pilar Archaeological Reserve for Maya Flora & Fauna” by Anabel Ford, Archaeologist, University of California, Santa Barbara

Other Events
September 13: An Open Discussion on "Terrorism: Domestic & International Implications" with Grinnell College Faculty: Robert Grey, Tissa Jayatilaka, Wayne Moyer, Russell Osgood, Ira Strauber, Barbara Trish and Eliza Willis
October 18: Panel Discussion: “Crime & Punishment: Content and Consequences” by Alice Kim, National Organizer, Campaign to End the Death Penalty, Louva Bell, mother, death row inmate, and David Bates, ex-prisoner “Sharing the Spirit of Survival” by David Faber, Polish-born Holocaust Survivor
October 20: “The Making of and Response to A Long Night’s Journey Into Day: South Africa’s Search for Truth & Reconciliation” by Frances Reid and Deborah Hoffmann, Filmmakers. Co-sponsored by the Center for the Humanities