

## Ways to be Engaged

Keep checking this site for updates, and also look for tagged events in *This Week!* And be sure to visit the websites of the organizations sponsoring the activities below for more information.

### **Events and Exhibitions**

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| Sept. 6                | The first chapel service of the year. The College Ministry Team leads daily chapel (MWF at 10:10; T at 11:10; Th at 11; and Sundays at 10:30). If you would like to speak or include your program in chapel, please contact Matt Marohl.  |
| Sept. 6                | The first Shabbat of the year. Students, faculty and staff are invited to attend a Shabbat service at 6:30 PM with a Shabbat dinner at 7:30. Location and additional information will be available on the College Ministry pages of the St. Olaf College website.   |
| Sept. 15-Dec. 10       | “Practicing Democracy: 150 Years of St. Olaf Student Civic Engagement” (Flaten Art Museum, in partnership with the IFC)   |
| Sept. 19               | “The Threat of Christian Nationalism: Rebuilding Trust in the Age of Fear,” Author, Journalist, and Pastor Angela Denker, interviewed by Chair of Philosophy Michael Fuerstein, 4 p.m., with dinner to follow at 5:30 p.m. (Lutheran Center)  |
| Feb. 7-28              | “Uprising” (Flaten Art Museum)  |
| October 17-November 15 | “Why Treaties Matter” exhibit (Lutheran Center, Taylor Center, Native American Programming Group, Vice President for Community and Belonging), opening event, 11:30, October 17   |
| 2024/25                | “Honest Storytelling: St. Olaf at 150” Authors for the project will be hosting public presentations throughout the academic year. Consult the <a href="#">Honest Storytelling webpage</a> for specific dates. (Lutheran Center)   |
| Oct. 26                | Sacred Sites Tour (Smith Center, Religion Department, Stromseth Fund for Intercultural and Interreligious Education) Intended for students who have returned from study abroad (primarily Global Semester and Environmental Studies in Australia & New Zealand who have engaged with indigenous groups abroad). |

Nov. 18-22 International Education Week Study Abroad Program Spotlight Series (Smith Center) Open to the campus community, but intended for prospective study abroad students and faculty advisors wanting to learn more about various programs in different parts of the world.

### **Gatherings and Conversations in 2024/25**

Aug. 29 Opening Day discussion of Values for Strengthening Community-Engaging Across Difference (CILA; Academic Success, Lutheran, Smith, Taylor centers; IFC)

2024/25 "What Nourishes You?" meal series with faculty and staff (Lutheran Center)

Fall 2024 Faculty Community of Practice on "Difficult Discussions in the Classroom" (Associate Dean of First Year Experience and Sophomore Thriving, IFC)

Nov 4 & 5 Faculty & Staff SOAR Appreciation Lunches (super connectors)

### **Workshops and Trainings**

August 27 Vocation of a Student Leader Dinner Training (Lutheran Center, Academic Success Center, IFC)

OPENING & NSO Weeks SOAR Leaders: Universal Design for Learning Best Practices; Boundaries/Liability/Conflict Management; Best Practices for Group Facilitation; Implicit Bias; Title IX Training; Mental Health 101; SOAR Sticky Situations Training, YMCA Team Building

Supplemental Instruction leaders, Academic and Writing tutors: Implicit Bias Awareness training

Sept. 7 Mental Health First Aid training - for students, staff and faculty (Wellness Center)

Sept. 9 Skills for Disagreeing Better workshop (IFC)

Sept 10 "Practicing Democracy: 150 Years of St. Olaf Student Civic Engagement" (Flaten Art Museum, in partnership with the IFC and Smith Center)  
CILA Event

Sept. 19	“Having better disagreements in the classroom” faculty workshop (CILA, IFC)
Jan. 2025	DEI training for faculty leaders of study abroad/away (Smith Center)
January 9 & 14	Advising Workshops on Vocation (Lutheran Center & Academic Success Center)
Spring 2025	Multifaith Leadership Workshop - with University of St. Thomas, Augsburg University, and University of Minnesota Minneapolis (Lutheran Center)
2024/25	DEI Training for Piper Center student workers; "Perspectives" training with students in IFC, ACE, PacCon, SOAR
2024/25	Conflict resolution and engaging across difference preparation for student internships (Piper Center)
	Sustainable Community Connections – Signature events to foster connection among members of the St. Olaf community and the local community through strategic points of welcome and communication (Taylor Center)
	Coffee Hour Series [Intercultural Programming]- Small group conversations and collaborative dialogues around culture, identity and success, global issues, social justice, and student wellbeing.(Taylor Center)
	Taylor Center Executive Council [Intercultural Programming]– Student leadership development program that fosters inclusive leadership and intercultural skills development among 18 multicultural student organizations
Anytime	<a href="#">Ethical Engagement Modules</a> (Smith Center) Four modules - Identity, Reciprocity, Communication, Solidarity - intended for faculty wanting to add ethical engagement principles and case studies into their ACE and study abroad/away teaching. Individual consultations with Alyssa Melby are available for support with implementation.
Nov. 19	DEI Education: Helping students use self-assessment to identify and meet their learning needs (CILA, Smith Center) For faculty

and staff wanting to learn about a new approach to DEI training that begins with student self-assessment.

Information, Talks, Research, Grants and Fellowships

Oct. 29	“Israel, Palestine, and the Prospects for Peace” with Dr. Dahlia Scheindlin and Dr. Khalil Shikaki. Table discussions to follow (IFC)
2024/25	Interfaith Fellows (Lutheran Center)
2024/25	ACE Course Dialogues (Smith Center)
2024/25	OLE Experience in Practice: Reflection Seminars for students studying abroad/away, participating in academic internships (Smith Center, Piper Center)
May 2025	<a href="#">Walter and Better Stromseth Fund</a> for Intercultural and Inter-religious - open to staff and faculty applicants, the fund supports projects, workshops, courses and course development. (Provost and Dean of the College)
Summer 2025	Weber Scholars (IFC)