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LOCAL FIU VOLUNTEERS PREPARE TO EMBARK ON GLOBAL EXCHANGES

An outgoing preparation seminar hosting nearly 50 Florida International University (FIU) students going on exchange projects abroad will be taking place on the Modesto Maidique Campus (MMC) in May, AIESEC United States released.

Fernanda Lopez, director of Outgoing Global Volunteer programs for the AIESEC United States local committee located in South Florida, organized the seminar to prepare the soon-to-be Global Volunteers for their international exchange experiences in Latin America, Southeast Asia, and eastern Europe. The seminar will be hosted in the Graham Center of FIU MMC.

Every year, the AIESEC committee of South Florida recruits young adults to develop their leadership through international exchange opportunities and global aid programs. These

projects are sourced from AIESEC committees in other countries who partner with their local non-profit organizations to host volunteers from other parts of the world to bring in new ideas to far-away communities and teach cultural acceptance.

"The mission statement of our organization is that we strive to achieve peace and fulfillment of humankind's potential," Lopez says.

"I am so excited for this summer's outgoing preparation seminar, and I know our volunteers are too. This year we have even more volunteers than the last and the difference they will be making abroad will impact many communities and thousands of people."

AIESEC United States is composed of over 50 committees all over the nation. AIESEC in Miami is the only AIESEC committee in Florida and their operations are conducted on the FIU campus.

According to the organization's United States website, AIESEC was founded in 1948 in 7 countries in Europe and now is present in over 126 countries and territories continuing to grow every year.

More information about AIESEC in the United States can be found at www.aiesecus.org and details on the outgoing preparation seminar will be on the organization's Facebook page in late April.