

Frequently Asked Questions

How can I work a presenter into my packed schedule?

Presenters can integrate any curricular content you'd like them to introduce, discuss, or practice. They will bring a new and youthful perspective to the material.

Can I meet or talk with my presenter before the presentation?

Once early in each semester, teachers are invited to campus to learn about the presentations and meet the presenters. We also mail information each semester and can put you in direct email contact with your presenter.

How much do the presentations cost?

There is no cost. Presenters serve as volunteers or earn college credit.

Do presenters have clearances?

All presenters get their Child Abuse History and Criminal Record Check clearances.

What is expected of me if I host?

We send you guidelines for hosting and, to save you time, ask you to submit an information sheet each year (or each semester if your courses change midyear).

How do I schedule a presentation?

Please contact our office using any of the methods listed on the back. *We look forward to hearing from you!*



"Because of Language in Motion, my students exhibit respect for other cultures and understand that different does not mean inferior."

-Russian teacher



"My students really enjoyed every presentation, and they're still talking about our guests."

-French and Spanish teacher

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Language in Motion



BROADENING PERSPECTIVES

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ENRICHING WORLDVIEWS

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-Spanish teacher

What is Language in Motion?

Language in Motion is a community-engaged learning program that collaborates with schools in Central Pa. International students, study-abroad returnees, upper-level language students, and heritage speakers representing numerous countries enrich K-12 classes by creating presentations and activities on language and culture.

WHY WE'RE IMPORTANT

TO STUDENTS

- Exposure to diverse cultures
- Exploration of new ideas and broadened perspectives
- Conversing with native speakers of other languages
- Meeting college students who model global citizenship and college attendance

TO TEACHERS

- Fun, informative presentations that support and/or add to your curriculum (with limited preparation time for you)
- Informal professional development through interacting with the presenter
- Partnership with Juniata College
- Access to teaching resources
- Support of the mission of many schools



Where We're From

Presenters represent a variety of countries. Some of these countries have included:



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Language in Motion
to receive the current
semester's list
of countries.*

- China
 - Dominican Republic
 - England
 - France
 - The Gambia
 - Germany
 - Guatemala
 - Mexico
 - Pakistan
 - Russia
 - Thailand
 - Vietnam
- and more!

What We Can Talk About

Presentations that draw on the strengths of the presenters and are targeted to the age of your students and actively involve them have included:

- Chaucer
- China and Taiwan
- Ecology in Ecuador
- Effects of the Vietnam War on the Vietnamese
- German School System
- History of Afghanistan
- Japanese Slang
- Korean Folk Tales
- Russian Grammar through Music
- Religion and Culture of Islam
- Salsa: Social Justice Music
- Spanish Immersion Day (on campus)
- Teen Culture in France

All presenters are encouraged to get your students actively engaged!

Where We Present

Since the program's inception in 2000, we have partnered with numerous school districts including:

- Altoona Area
- Chestnut Ridge
- Everett Area
- Hollidaysburg Area
- Huntingdon Area
- Juniata Valley
- Mount Union Area
- Penn Cambria
- Southern Huntingdon County
- Tussey Mountain *and many others.*

If you are interested, we can visit. Presenters have been in all types of classes, including: **elementary, world languages, social studies, English, biology, music, math, and many others.**

We are always looking to partner with new teachers and school districts and hope you will soon join our Language in Motion family.

Awards

• **Bringing the World to PA: K-16 Collaboration Award**, Pennsylvania Council for International Education, 2007

• **One of eight innovative and replicable programs for internationalizing the campus**, NAFFSA: Association of International Educators, 2004

• **Model Program List**, NAFFSA: Association of International Educators, 2003

• **Andrew Heiskell Award for Innovation in International Education**, Institute of International Education, 2002

