

**AUGUST 2017**

**Bienvenue! ¡Bienvenida! Benvenuti!**



**FIRST DAY OF CLASS: Friday September 8**

**NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION: 8:45 A.M.  
Westminster Hall ( 1st floor )**

**CLASSES**

**9:00 - 10:25**

**10:35 -Noon**

- Plan to come early on the first day. People will direct you to your class. Some classes will be in new locations.
- If you have not paid for classes, you can do so on the first day.
- Look for a desk in the Lobby. That is where you can pay and ask questions.

**PARKING GUIDELINES**

- The first few weeks of class, parking normally is tight because attendance is at it's max. We expect over 250 people to attend initially, but that will drop off after a few weeks. Plan to come early to find the closer parking spots.
- The back part of the church parking lot probably will be closed for repairs. We don't know how long that lot will be closed.
- **We would like to save all church parking spaces for those who have handicapped parking stickers and those who may find walking longer distances difficult.**
- Please do not park in the parking spaces at the Crestwood Shops. Those are reserved for patrons of the shops.
- Park along the spaces that are between the church parking lot and Brookside Blvd. You'll need to get here very early for those spots.
- You will find many places to park along the residential side streets.





## MEET OUR NEW SPANISH TEACHER

I'm a native Spanish speaker, born in Quito, Ecuador. My family moved to Kansas City when I was 2 years old. We spoke only Spanish at home.

B.A. in Spanish and Latin American Studies from Stephens College, Columbia, MO 1971  
Study abroad at La Universidad Ibero-Americana, Mexico City, two summer programs and a semester abroad (through program w/Stephens College)  
M.A. in Intercultural Communications with a Post Graduate Certificate in Translation from The Monterey Institute of International Studies, Monterey, CA 1977 (Now Middlebury Institute of International Studies at Monterey)

Spanish Teacher, Santa Catalina School, Monterey, California (middle school) 1974

Spanish Teacher, Oxford Park Academy, Overland Park, KS 1996-1998 (Pre-K through 8th grade)

Spanish Teacher, Notre Dame de Sion High School, 1998-2013 (taught Spanish 1/1Honors, 2/2Honors and Spanish 4 ACCP w/college credit given through Rockhurst University)

Adjunct Spanish Teacher at Rockhurst University, 2009-2010

Before beginning my teaching career in Kansas City, I was a full time in house translator with Kaiser Engineers, Oakland, CA., free lance translator for the Franklin Research Institute, Philadelphia, PA., worked as a free-lance translator for Sprint, and worked on independent translation projects for private clients.

After returning to K.C. in 1983, I worked for 5 years at Hallmark Cards in Corporate Training as the Corporate Training Librarian, and in the International Department serving as the link between the home office and the international subsidiaries in Great Britain, Australia and Canada.  
Please let me know if there's any other information I can provide.

Just as a fun fact, you might be interested to know that my mother taught Spanish at La Causerie while I was in high school and the classes were located in the church at the corner of State Line and Tomahawk Road.



Sept 8	First Day of classes
Nov 24	Thanksgiving Holiday — No Classes
Dec 1	No Classes
Dec 15	Classes followed by Holiday Fete at Noon
Dec 22 & 29	Christmas Break — No Classes
Jan 5	Classes resume
Mar 16	No classes Spring Break
MAY 4	Spring Business Meeting & Fete at Noon
May 18	Last Day of Classes

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# La Table Francaise

## Want to Practice Your French?

Then the **French Conversation Table** is the place to be

From **11 am-noon**

Every other **Tuesday**, at

**COM 319**  
**JCCC**

### Fall 2017 Schedule

- **August 29**
- **September 12**
- **September 26**
- **October 10**
- **October 24**
- **November 7**
- **November 21**
- **December 5**

**Feel free to drop by any time! Everyone is Welcome!**

**For more information contact:**  
**Hélène Perriguy-Keene at**  
**[hperrigu@jccc.edu](mailto:hperrigu@jccc.edu)**



## SPANISH SPEAKERS NEEDED

The Guatemalan Consul comes to KC annually to work with ex-pats on their papers. It's two very arduous days of work and a lot of waiting for hundreds of people. We are looking to expand our volunteer pool and thought Spanish students at La Causerie might be interested in this opportunity as a way to practice and help out. There will be 2000 people wishing to meet with the consular staff. This will mean extraordinary wait times where our hope will be to provide comfort by way of water, coffee, and snacks. Our group will also help with the expected 150 children.

Our goal is to have full coverage with at least 20-30 volunteers. Some will be inside and some outside for those waiting in line in the parking lot. We are asking for 3 hour shifts (or whatever one can do). Spanish speakers (even minimally proficient) would be appreciated by the attendees.

**Contact: Kristin Stephen [keeta@me.com](mailto:keeta@me.com)**

**Other  
Misc.  
Etc...**

**TREATS:** We hope you enjoy the snacks provided each week by your fellow students and will volunteer at some time in the year to bring some. All contributions are appreciated. There is a sign up sheet in the Social Room to volunteer snacks for Friday mornings. You will not be expected to feed the whole school -- three or four other members will contribute, too. La Causerie provides the coffee and tea and we ask for donations to help cover the beverage costs, which are not allotted in the La Causerie budget.

**NAMETAGS:** Please fill out a name tag each week. On the first day of class, we will have a table set up on the first floor for name tags and late registration. After that, name tags will be in the hallway on the third floor. Our teachers want to be able to call you by name and the name tags will help you get quickly acquainted with your classmates so you can have a more enjoyable and personal experience.

**BOOKS:** Books do get left behind sometimes, so we suggest you put your name in all your textbooks and reference books.

**LOST & FOUND:** We have a Lost & Found so be sure to check there first.

**XXVI - LATIN AMERICAN CINEMA FESTIVAL OF KANSAS CITY  
PRESENTED BY SOCIEDAD HIDALGO AND THE MORELIA SISTER CITY  
COMMITTEE**

**September 2, 9, 16, 30, and October 7, 2017**  
**Please note there is no show on September 23**

**Rio Theater**  
**7204 W. 80<sup>th</sup> Street – Overland Park, Kansas**  
**Program starts at 11 a.m. Doors open at 10:30 a.m.**

Recommended for audiences 18 years or older **No children please**. Admission: \$6.00 per person  
Passes to the five films will be available for \$25.00 at the theatre on the first day of the festival.

**Cash Only**

**September 2: LAS HORAS CONTIGO (THE HOURS WITH YOU) ) - Mexico, 2014 –**  
Director: Catalina Aguilar Mastretta - 88 min. Discussion by: Prof. Xanath Caraza-  
University of Missouri – Kansas City (UMKC) – Trailer: <https://youtu.be/Qg2W9g0vVMU>

**September 9: A PLACE IN THE CARIBBEAN (UN LUGAR EN EL CARIBE) - Honduras, 2017;**  
Director: Juan Carlos Fanconi - 114 min. Discussion by: Prof. Rocío Duncan – Rockhurst  
University. – Trailer: <https://youtu.be/bVvJSzp2-xM>

**September 16: EL PAIS DEL MIEDO (THE COUNTRY OF FEAR) – Spain, 2015;** Director:  
Francisco Espada – 102 min. Discussion by: Prof. Silvia Byer – Park University.  
Trailer: <https://vimeo.com/122341902>

**September 30: HISTORIAS DEL CANAL (PANAMA CANAL STORIES) – Panama, 2014;**  
Directors: Carolina Borrero (1913), Pinky Mon (1950), Luis Franco Brantley (1964),  
Abner Benaim (1977), Pituga Ortega-Heilbron (2013) – 106 min. Discussion by: Louis  
Imperiale – University of Missouri (UMKC) - Trailer: <https://vimeo.com/187720619>

**October 7: CARGA SELLADA (SEALED CARGO) – Bolivia, 2015;** Director: Julia Vargas  
Weise – 107 min. Discussion Leader: Prof. Tamara Falicov – University of Kansas (KU)  
Trailer: [https://youtu.be/EjlUzB1g\\_gA](https://youtu.be/EjlUzB1g_gA)

**Films are in Spanish with English subtitles. Group discussion after each film.**

Main funding for this program is provided by the Kansas Humanities Council, a nonprofit cultural organization that connects communities with history, traditions, and ideas to strengthen civic life.