

***Provided is a list of activity ideas for your organization. Your contribution to the Global Initiatives Week does not have to be limited to the ideas listed.***

Retail stores- specials or discounts on cultural item or clothing, description tags on cultural items and clothing, sidewalk sale featuring cultural items or clothing

Restaurants- coupon for ethnic foods, live band (play international music), taste testing of certain cultural food or drink, weekly food and drink special, daily food and drink special

Coffee shops- promote international coffee, host a breakfast or coffee social, weekly coupon for international coffee or food

Grocery Stores- coupons on international food items, highlight cultural food items, tasting booths for cultural food items

Manufacturing facilities- presentations or tours open to the community to explain involvement with sales or business partners abroad, on-site mini-language lessons offered for employees, on-site cultural pot-luck lunch

Dance studios- cultural dance performance for an evening(s)

Local musical groups- performance(s) featuring cultural music, educational session on cultural instruments

Religion groups- presentation on religions around the world (solely for educational purposes)

Clothing/print company- donate shirts or buttons that can be worn all week throughout community that say, "Ask me about my experience abroad"

Bakeries- highlight cultural baked goods, provide a description of what country baked goods are found and ingredients

Art galleries/artists/art students- community display of cultural work, evening showing of cultural work, cultural art lessons

Educational- mini-language sessions (could be taught by high school language students, college language students, language teachers, or interpreters), highlight books with international authors, invite international author for book signing

Schools/colleges- incorporate international games/sports into weekly recreation, offer ethnic foods for lunch or snack, lessons on how to market your cultural experience while applying for jobs

Medical centers/Public Health- sessions on vaccinations needed for travel abroad, sessions on how to stay healthy when traveling abroad, offer vaccinations for people who have an international trip planned

Other ideas- keynote speakers, video showings, documentary showings, health disparity talks, taste testing, video conference with person abroad, how to pack for trip abroad info sessions, how to budget for trip abroad info session, how to plan an inexpensive trip abroad info session

Sister Cities/cultural groups- connect with community library or business to display information about group, interactive learning opportunity to engage with group and culture