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Ambassador of Jordan and First Arab Woman to Lead the United Nations Security Council, H.E. Dina Kawar, to talk with Connecticut Students and Public in Celebration of International Women's Day 2020

WEST HARTFORD, Connecticut – February 12, 2020 – The World Affairs Council of Connecticut (CTWAC) and the Women's Leadership Center at University of Saint Joseph will host H.E. Dina Kawar, Ambassador of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the United States, to discuss Global Leadership in recognition of International Women's Day.



Ambassador Dina Kawar was appointed as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the United States of America in June 2016. Ambassador Kawar also served as the Permanent Representative of Jordan to the United Nations from August 2014 to June 2016. She has led the Jordanian delegation during Jordan's non-permanent membership of the United Nations Security Council from 2014 to 2015 and became the first Arab woman to ever preside over the Council. In February 2016, she was appointed by the President of the General Assembly as a co-facilitator for the high-level meeting of the plenary of the General Assembly on the large movement of refugees and migrants to take place in September 2016.

Ambassador Kawar holds a master's degree in international affairs from Columbia University and a bachelor's degree in international relations from Mills College. She attended Harvard's Center for International Affairs from 1986 to 1987. She speaks Arabic, French and English.

Appearance Details:

Ambassador Kawar visits Connecticut to address the fourth annual *Global Changemakers: Celebration of International Women's Day*, an annual partnership of the World Affairs Council of Connecticut and the Women's Leadership Center at University of Saint Joseph. Ambassador Kawar will be discussing her personal leadership journey, the issues facing women around the world, and the role that women's advancement will play in shaping our global future.

Global Changemakers: Celebration of International Women's Day

Tuesday, March 3, 2020 | 5 p.m. - Reception | 6 – 7:15 p.m. - Discussion followed by Audience Q+A
University of Saint Joseph, Hoffman Auditorium, 1678 Asylum Avenue, West Hartford, CT 06117

This event is free and open to the public.

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More information and tickets can be found online at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/global-changemakers-international-womens-day-celebration-2020-tickets-81772448595>

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Background:

In its fourth year, the Celebration of International Women’s Day is a collaboration between the Women’s Leadership Center at University of Saint Joseph and the World Affairs Council of Connecticut. The evening convenes powerful women leaders in a specific global industry. Past Celebration of International Women’s Day speakers include Riva Levinson, Personal Advisor to President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, Bayartsetseg Jigmiddash, first female Secretary of State of the Ministry of Justice of Mongolia, Congresswoman Nancy Johnson, Josepha M. N. Musabyemariya, United States Rwandan Community Abroad Commissioner for Gender and Social Affairs, Priyamvada Natarajan, astrophysicist and Professor at Yale, and Stephenie Foster, former Senior Advisor and Counselor to the Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women’s Issues at the U.S Department of State.



Students attending Global Changemakers 2019



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Women's Leadership Center at University of Saint Joseph

The Women's Leadership Center (WLC) at the University of Saint Joseph provides multi-generational experiences within a diverse community by building a collaborative, inclusive, value-based environment in which individuals develop new and enhance existing leadership skills. The WLC offers educational programs, including professional and executive education, supports research related to women's leadership, and promotes mentorship and sponsorship programs.

The University of Saint Joseph offers a wide range of coeducational undergraduate, graduate, doctoral, and certificate programs that combine a professional and liberal arts education with opportunities for mentored research, community service, clinical field work, and internships. Programs are taught on the University's two campuses in West Hartford and Hartford, Connecticut; at off-campus locations throughout the state; and online. Founded in 1932 by the Sisters of Mercy, the University of Saint Joseph offers degrees with value and values. To learn more, view our website at <http://www.usj.edu>.