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“The migration-human capital nexus: skill & resource transfers from immigrants back to Cambodia”

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The Sleuk Rith Institute's School of Genocide, Conflict and Human Rights Studies is pleased to announce the twelfth event in its speaker series. **“The migration-human capital nexus: skill & resource transfers from immigrants back to Cambodia”** will be presented by Sok Serey. Students as well as the general public are welcome to attend this event.

Southeast Asians were some of the first refugees arriving in the United States of America with federal refugee assistance after the passage of the Refugee Act of 1980. A large population from Cambodia entered the United States in the 1980s as a result of one of the greatest tragedies of the twentieth century. This presentation gives a better understanding about Cambodian immigrants in U.S.; explores on how Cambodian immigrants making communication and send remittances back to Cambodia; and, examines skill transfers and plans for return to Cambodia in the future.

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