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For Immediate Release:

INTERNATIONAL PANEL TO DISCUSS WOMEN'S STATUS IN OTHER COUNTRIES

CHARLESTON -- International students from Egypt, Japan and Malaysia will discuss the varying roles and status of women in their homelands as part of Eastern Illinois University's celebration of Women's History and Awareness Month.

The panel discussion will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 3, in the Shelbyville Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. The speakers -- all EIU graduate students -- also will discuss the differences between living in the United States and their homelands.

Coping and adapting to living changes and how going back to their homelands will affect them also will be discussed. Audience members are encouraged to ask questions.

Admission to this event, open to the public, is free.