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For Immediate Release:

PANELISTS TO DISCUSS LIFE AS WOMEN IN U.S. AND ABROAD

CHARLESTON -- In further commemoration of Women's History and Awareness Month, Eastern Illinois University will host "International Women's Day" on Thursday, March 8.

Local residents are invited to join university students and staff as women from both campus and the community discuss life as women from other countries and the U.S. The presentation is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. in the Effingham Room of the University Union. Admission is free.

Panelists Jyoti Panjwani, formerly of India, and Duangrudi Suksang, formerly of Thailand, both teach English at Eastern. They will be joined in the discussion by community resident Christina Yousaf, a native of Pakistan.

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Eastern Illinois University emphasizes distinguished teaching in the liberal arts, sciences and selected professions. A traditional, residential state university of recognized quality, Eastern enrolls more than 10,000 students in undergraduate and graduate programs. The university, located in Charleston, also serves the region through a variety of non-credit and off-site degree programs, as well as cultural and recreational opportunities. Eastern's pursuit of excellence attracts well-qualified students of an increasingly diverse population and a teaching faculty active in research and public service who utilize the latest technology.