



Black college-educated people got to where they are on the backs of domestic help, meaning their parents and grandparents. So people should not forget how they got to where they are.

— Esther Rolle —

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WORLD EDUCATION SERVICES ANNOUNCES THE APPOINTMENT OF URI KENIG AS COO

Uri Kenig will join World Education Services (WES) as chief operating officer and deputy executive director on February 26, 2020. Kenig will work closely with WES leadership to optimize processes for managing more than 500,000 applications for academic credential evaluations a year. He will also seek to identify new opportunities to serve customers and collaborate with partner organizations around the globe. Now in its 46th year of operations, WES is the leading credential evaluation service in North America. WES evaluations are widely recognized by more than 2,500 educational, business, and governmental institutions throughout the U.S. and Canada. Kenig specializes in helping organizations optimize and expand their operations. He most recently served as senior vice president of growth and operations at Urbanspace, a New York and London-based company... **Source: Globe News Wire**

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SECOND CHANCE FOR ONLINE EDUCATION TO PROVE ITS WORTH

With an increasing number of universities shutting down campuses and shifting their learning online to try and contain the spread of coronavirus, Coursera, a US online education company, announced today (March 12) that it will provide any impacted university in the world with free access to its 3,800 courses. Universities that sign up can give their enrolled students access to 95% of its catalog which come from 190 partner universities, including Johns Hopkins, the University of Michigan, and Yale, among others. Institutions facing coronavirus disruptions will have free access until July 31, at which time Coursera will offer month-to-month extensions "depending on prevailing risk assessments". MOOCs, or massive open online courses, were originally born a decades ago to democratize access to higher education. Students and teachers around the globe rushed head first into the world's largest ed tech experiment but institutions later grew disappointed as it became clear students did not finish courses. **Source: Quartz**

BILL GATES STEPS DOWN FROM MICROSOFT BOARD TO FOCUS ON PHILANTHROPIC WORK

Microsoft Corp co-founder Bill Gates, who made the company one of the world's most valuable technology firms, stepped down from the board on Friday to focus on philanthropic works related to global health, education and climate change. The billionaire and his wife Melinda run one of the world's largest charities, the Gates Foundation, which has billions in assets and funds global health programmes to combat disease and poverty. Gates quit his full-time executive role at Microsoft in 2008 and remained as chairman of the board till 2014. Since then he has been a board member. Gates also stepped down from the board of Warren Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway Inc, where he has served since 2004. **Source: The First Post**



LET'S READ LAUNCHES NATIONWIDE #READEVERYDAY CAMPAIGN IN CAMBODIA

The Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport in collaboration with The Asia Foundation and other partners, launched a nationwide reading campaign called #ReadEveryDay. This unique campaign encourages families, teachers, and librarians to create fun and positive reading experiences with at least 100,000 children every day between March 6-15. The launch was presided over by H.E Dr. Hang Chuon Naron, minister of Education, Youth and Sport (MOEYS), MOEYS leadership, and representatives from campaign partners at Institute of Technology of Cambodia. Campaign partners include Smart Axiata, Sipar Cambodia, World Vision Cambodia, Room to Read, ChildFund Cambodia, World Education, Kampuchea Action for Primary Education, Komar Rien Komar Cheh program, Save the Children, Shanti Volunteer Association Cambodia, Caring for Cambodia, and Cambodian Children's Fund. **Source: Cambodia Daily**



ASK THE EXPERT

With growing coronavirus concerns, what is the best way to keep myself and people around me safe? -
Preesha Mathew, student

Hi Preesha,

Indeed the novel coronavirus or COVID 19 has turned out to be a very big concern all across the globe. With the calamity spreading like wildfire, it is natural that we get scared about the situation, but to be very honest it is not the time to panic but to take all necessary preventive measures to make sure that we all are safe. As per guidelines from WHO the below are some of the possible preventive measures which you can take to keep yourself safe:

1. Wash your hands frequently and properly with a soap. You may also use an alcohol based sanitizer
2. Avoid going near to sick people
3. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth immediately after touching a surface
4. Maintain social distancing i.e at least 3 feet distance between yourself and the person who is coughing or sneezing
5. Follow good respiratory hygiene

Anytime if you feel unwell immediately rush to your nearest healthcare provider for further treatment. Stay safe ,stay blessed,. This shall too pass!

This specific corner has been introduced for those who seek advice on education and related matters. If you have a feel free to submit your questions to aimri@ariesgroup.ae