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WWI Commemoration: One Hundred Years After

# US Premiere of the Documentary "Apocalypse: La 1ère Guerre Mondiale" ["Apocalypse: The First World War"]

FIU Modesto A. Maidique Campus | Graham Center | 11200 SW 8th Street Miami

In collaboration with the Consulate General of France in Miami, the Miami-Florida European Union Center of Excellence and the Europe Student Association present the US premiere of the documentary "Apocalypse: La 1ère Guerre Mondiale" ["Apocalypse: The First World War"]. Presented in five episodes, each 52 minutes in length, the series is in French with English subtitles.

Could the sacrifice of a complete generation have been prevented? How did such a cruel and complete conflict come about? How could men and women have borne such horrors for four long years? "Apocalypse: La 1ère Guerre Mondiale" replies to such fundamental questions through a strategic and comprehensive approach, as well as through an intimate and sensitive treatment of the human condition. Produced from more than 500 hours of original and colorized cinematographic archives, the series takes us to the battlefields—as seen through the eyes of political leaders and soldiers—and into the daily lives of civilians behind the scenes. The setting goes from the trenches of northern France to lesser known fronts in Russia, Serbia, Turkey and Palestine. Millions of soldiers from the around the world either died or were wounded. Thanks to the many letters, diaries and books written during the war, the narration is presented as the voices, memories and experiences of the men and women caught in the apocalypse that was the First World War.

#### Monday, September 8, 2014 | 2:15 PM - 3:45 PM | FIU MMC | Graham Center (GC) 150

Episode 1: Fury | In October 1914, German troops were nearing Paris. Their victory seemed imminent and wartime enthusiasm turned to fear.

#### Tuesday, September 30, 2014 | 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM | FIU MMC | Graham Center (GC) 140

**Episode 2: Fear** | In 1914, the French and British called upon their overseas colonies, including Australia and New Zealand, for help. The war was now global and large-scale bloodshed seemed unavoidable. **Episode 3: Hell** | In September 1915, millions of men were caught in the war. From the trenches in France to the Italian Alps, Europe was on fire. Chemical weapons and new technologies had changed the nature of warfare.

### Wednesday, October 29, 2014 | 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM | FIU MMC | Graham Center (GC) 140

**Episode 4: Rage** | By June 1917, the soldiers had reached their breaking point. They wanted it to end. They wanted to go home. On the home front and behind the lines, anger seethed as hunger stalked the population. **Episode 5: Deliverance** | By July 1918, there were more than one million American troops on European soil. The great German offensives, anticipating a conclusive victory, suffered decisive defeats.

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