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## Argentina

In 1816, the United Provinces of the Rio Plata declared their independence from Spain. After Bolivia, Paraguay, and Uruguay went their separate ways, the area that remained became Argentina. It is located in Southern South America, bordering the South Atlantic Ocean, between Chile and Uruguay. Languages spoken in Argentina are Spanish (official), Italian, English, German, French, indigenous (Mapudungun, Quechua). The main ethnic groups found in Argentina are white (mostly Spanish and Italian) 97%, mestizo (mixed white and Amerindian ancestry), Amerindian, or other non-white groups 3%

- Argentina invented the Tango dance. The tango is a sultry and intimate dance for two people. Its moves and music are seductive
  and passionate.
- Buenos Aires, the capital of Argentina, is the fourth biggest city on earth
- In the last decade, Argentina has been home to multiple discoveries of gigantic dinosaurs. *Giganotosaurus* is a dinosaur genus found in Argentina.
- Argentina was the first country to use fingerprinting as the primary form of identification in criminal records.
- Canada became the first country in the Americas to legalize same-sex marriage in 1999 and Argentina followed suit nearly a decade
  later. The social progress in this strongly Catholic country have been attributed to changing ideas about freedom and identity in a
  post-dictatorship government.
- At least 1 in 30 Argentines <u>undergo cosmetic surgery</u>, and due to the low costs of the procedures, it's become a hub for cosmetic surgery tourism.
- The hottest and coldest temperatures in South America have been recorded in Argentina. On June 6, 1907, a small town in the heart
  of Patagonia called Sarmiento recorded a temperature of -32.8 degrees Celsius (-27 °F). Thirteen years later, Villa de Maria in the
  Cordova province experienced the highest recorded temperature in South America on January 2, 1920. The thermometer reached a
  sweltering 49.1 degrees Celsius (120.4 °F). (Listerverse.com)
  - \* Congratulations to Barbara St. Urbain on her wonderful trip to Argentina last week.



## Sure (Students United Reaching For Equality)

Calling all Dreamers! Have questions on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), AB540, California Dream Act or BOG Fee Waiver? MJC's Students United Reaching for Equality (SURE) might just have the answer you're seeking, drop by the International Center, open Monday – Thursday (9am – 4pm). Don't miss our weekly meetings! Every Wednesday from 3-4 pm in the Staff Dining Room. Join Us! For More Info go to: www.mjc.edu/international. Like us On Facebook:

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## International Club

Congratulations to the International Club on the success of the International Dinner 2014. The club plans various events throughout the year. Join International club to meet people from different parts of the world. It is the perfect place to learn about different



cultures. The club meets every Thursday, 4:00 to5:00 pm in Founders hall, Room# 172

Join us for the END OF THE YEAR PARTY held by the Citizens Committee!! Take time to relax and have fun with us. The Party is in the Staff Dining Room, Student Center from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

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