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### **Interfaith Activist and Muslim Visionary to Speak at United World College-USA Graduation**

**MONTEZUMA, NM** – United World College-USA announces its 2008 guest graduation speaker: Eboo Patel, founder and Executive Director of the [Interfaith Youth Core](#), a Chicago-based international nonprofit building the interfaith youth movement. Patel will address guests and graduates at the graduation celebration taking place on Saturday, May 24 at 10:30am on the United World College campus.

Patel writes "[The Faith Divide](#)", a featured blog on religion for The Washington Post and has also written for The Chicago Tribune, The Clinton Journal, The Harvard Divinity School Bulletin and [National Public Radio](#). He serves on the Religious Advisory Committee of the Council on Foreign Relations, the National Committee of the Aga Khan Foundation USA, the Advisory Board of Duke University's Islamic Studies Center, and the Board of the Chicago History Museum. Patel has spoken at the Clinton Global Initiative, the [Nobel Peace Prize Forum](#), and at universities around the world.

Patel is an [Ashoka Fellow](#), was named by Islamica Magazine as one of [ten young Muslim visionaries shaping Islam in America](#), and has been [profiled by PBS](#) and several other media outlets. He is the author of [Acts of Faith: The Story of an American Muslim, the Struggle for the Soul of a Generation](#) and holds a doctorate in the sociology of religion from Oxford University, where he studied on a Rhodes scholarship.

Those wishing to attend the United World College-USA graduation ceremony should call 505 454 4227 to ensure seating.

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United World College-USA is located in the northern New Mexico town of Montezuma, six miles from Las Vegas, NM. UWC-USA is one of 12 United World Colleges located on five continents dedicated to making education a force to unite people, nations, and cultures for peace and a sustainable future. Founded in 1982, UWC-USA offers a unique program of academic and experiential education for 200 students from over 80 countries.