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# Atlanta Global Studies Symposium

**April 20-23, 2021  
Preliminary Program**

*All times are listed in Eastern Daylight Time.*

*More details will be added as they are finalized.*



**Atlanta  
Global  
Studies  
Center**





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**Tuesday, April 20**

10:30am -12:00pm

Decolonizing Global Health  
with Emory Global Health Institute and  
Race Beyond Borders

<https://www.globalhealth.emory.edu/programs/forum-speaker-series.html>



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**Tuesday, April 20**

12:05pm -1:00pm

Decolonizing Global Health  
with Emory Global Health Institute and  
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*Breakout sessions facilitated by Emory Global Health Institute and  
GSU School of Public Health faculty and graduate students*

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**Tuesday, April 20**

1:30-2:30 pm

**International Skills Diploma Seal Celebration**  
[Georgia Department of Education, World Languages and Global Workforce Initiatives](#)

In today's global marketplace, it is important for students to acquire the interdisciplinary skills they need to be globally competent and competitive. The International Skills Diploma Seal is awarded to graduating high school students who complete an international education curriculum and engage in extracurricular activities and experiences that foster the achievement of global competencies. It is a signal to employers and higher education institutions that a student is prepared to participate in the global economy. This event is an opportunity to celebrate students who have earned the International Skills Diploma Seal.



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**Tuesday, April 20**

3:30-5 pm

**Agree to Disagree: Reducing Polarization and Engaging Students  
in Civil Discourse**

A presentation by [Dr. Jennifer McCoy](#) will reveal strategies for reducing polarization in conversations and provides tips and tools for teachers. [Dr. Andrew J. Cohen](#) will then lead a live virtual discussion on teaching civil discourse. High school and college educators will learn teaching strategies to help students recognize their “inner polarizer” and develop methods for disagreeing without contempt for people who hold other political views.



**Tuesday, April 20**

5:30-6:30 pm

Keynote Speaker

**Elizabeth F. Cohen**

*Illegal: How America's Lawless Immigration Regime Threatens Us All*

Moderated by Dr. Anthony Lemieux

US immigration enforcement agencies routinely stalk the undocumented, terrorize legal immigrants and mixed status families, and even trespass on the constitutional rights of citizens. While the Trump administration flaunted its brutality toward immigrants, the roots of its practices lie with early twentieth century white nationalism and nativism. Elizabeth F. Cohen will narrate the country's descent into anti-immigrant panic, tracing the origins of our obsession with illegality to the country's first comprehensive immigration restriction law. That nativist legislation paved the way for today's sprawling enforcement apparatus, whose budget and power now dwarf that of any other federal law enforcement agency. She will also speak about how past legislation can help us confront this crisis of corruption and abuse and what to expect from the new administration.



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## K16 Presentations

Pre-recorded presentations and live "Meet the Expert" sessions on the evenings of April 21 and April 22

*Designing Virtual Exchange Projects for K12 and College Educators*

Dr. Yali Zhao, College of Education and Human Development  
Georgia State University

*Educating Global Citizens: Teaching the U.N. SDGs through a Global Competence Framework*

Dr. Neelam Chowdhary, Executive Director, Global Learning Programs  
[Asia Society](#)

*Co-investigating Global Sustainability in the Foreign Language Classroom*

Dr. M. Garrett Delavan, Assistant Professor  
World Language, Dual Language, and ESOL Education  
Department of Middle and Secondary Education  
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**Wednesday, April 21**

10:30-12

Session to be announced





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**Wednesday, April 21**

1:00-2:30 pm

## **Building Partnerships for SDGs: Academics and Nonprofit Organizations Reflect on Collaboration Opportunities and Challenges**

This session aims to expand understanding of university-community-based organization (CBO) partnerships focused on UN SDGs, provide opportunities, strengthen partnership networks locally, nationally, globally, and help clarify and confront the challenges associated with university-CBO partnerships. Participants will envision new and creative ways of addressing these challenges and growing partnerships.

Eboni Preston, Director of Operations, [Greening Youth Foundation](#)

Judy Yi, Director of Outreach and Marketing, [Trees Atlanta](#)

Deborah Scott, Executive Director, [Georgia Stand-Up](#)

Jungdae Kim, Executive Director, [Re'Generation](#)

[Michael Elliott](#), Associate Professor of City and Regional Planning and Public Policy,

Georgia Institute of Technology; Representative of the [Mahila Housing Project](#)

Henry Sanoff, Emeritus Professor of Architecture, North Carolina State University

Moderator: [Mine Hashas-Degertekin](#), Associate Professor of Architecture, Kennesaw State University



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**Wednesday, April 21**

2:35 - 4:00 pm

UN Regional Centre of Expertise Greater Atlanta  
Student Panel

<https://rcega.org/youth-engagement>



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**Wednesday, April 21**

4-5:30 pm

## **USAID Opportunities for Faculty and Graduate Student Researchers under the Research Technical Assistance Center**

USAID's Center for Development Research (CDR) established the Research Technical Assistance Center (RTAC) to assist in both conducting new research with the participation of a global network of university-affiliated scholars and to undertake a range of research translation and utilization activities. RTAC represents a global network of academic researchers and development experts that provide on-demand expertise for USAID to promote evidence-based policies and programs. Through research, specialized training, high-level policy convenings, and short-term technical assistance, RTAC seeks to advance the impact of USAID's development investments in a variety of sectors, worldwide.

RTAC welcomes the participation of university-affiliated faculty, post-doctoral candidates, and graduate students to join its Research Network and participate in USAID research and technical assistance activities.



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**Wednesday, April 21**

6 - 7 pm

**Meet the Expert: Live Virtual Session**

Attend the live session to talk with Dr. Zhao about her pre-recorded presentation “**Designing Virtual Exchange Projects for K12 and College Educators**”

[Dr. Yali Zhao](#)

Associate Professor

Social Studies and Multicultural Education  
[Early Childhood and Elementary Education](#)

College of Education and Human Development  
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**Thursday, April 22**

10:30-12 pm

Peace Education (more details soon)



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**Thursday, April 22**

1-2:30 pm

**Meeting UN SDGs for Ethnolinguistic Populations in and from  
Burma/Myanmar: Quality Education; Peace, Justice and Strong  
Communities; Sustainable Cities and Communities**

- Dr. Kyle Anderson, Senior Director of Global Engagement, Clemson University
- Eh Nay Thaw, Advocacy Coordinator for the Karen Organization of America
- Ayub Mohammed, Founder and President, [Burmese Rohingya Community of Georgia](#)
- Dr. Wakar Uddin, Founding Chairman of Burmese Rohingya Association of North America and Professor, Pennsylvania State University



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**Thursday, April 22**

6 - 6:30 pm

## Meet the Expert: Live Virtual Session

Attend the live session to talk with Dr. Chowdhary about her pre-recorded presentation, "**Educating Global Citizens: Teaching the U.N. SDGs through a Global Competence Framework**"

Dr. Neelam Chowdhary, Executive Director, Global Learning Programs, [Asia Society](#).

*Global competence, critical to ensuring our youth are capable citizens in both local and global communities, is multi-faceted and includes cognitive development, socioemotional skills, and civic learning. It has four overlapping dimensions that students will need to interact successfully with people face-to-face and virtually: investigate the world, recognize perspectives, communicate ideas, and take action.*

*This session will cover how educators can easily address the U.N. SDGs in their classrooms by implementing a global competence framework. The speaker will share assessment tools and resources for K-12 classroom teachers.*



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6:30 - 7 pm

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*Use exploration of the climate movement as a content topic around which to interact in the target language and discover cultural perspectives and practices. Walk away with pedagogical tools and examples.*





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**Friday, April 23**

10:30-12 pm

The Future of Global Diplomacy around the World in the  
Biden Era - Part 1

Theodoros Dimopoulos  
Consul of Greece in Atlanta

Carlos Henrique Moojen de Abreu e Silva  
Consul General of Brazil in Atlanta

Louise Blais  
Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative of Canada to the U.N.

Moderator: [Dr. Anthony Lemieux](#)

Dignitaries contextualize U.S. diplomacy and recent events in their respective regions of the world, share insights about the U.S. relationship with their countries specifically, and give audiences a glimpse of what to expect from the Biden administration in the next four years.



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**Friday, April 23**

1-2:30 pm

"The Future of Global Diplomacy around the World in the  
Biden Era" Part 2

An opportunity to debrief the morning session with expert faculty  
from Georgia State University's global and regional centers.

Moderator: [Dr. Anthony Lemieux](#)

Faculty from GSU Regional Centers of Expertise:

[Dr. Allen Fromherz](#), Director, Middle East Studies Center

[Dr. Louis Ruprecht](#), Director, Center for Hellenic Studies

[Dr. Ryan Carlin](#), Director, Center for Human Rights and Democracy

[Dr. Leslie Marsh](#), Director, Center for Latin American and Latinx Studies



**Friday, April 23**

3:30-5 pm

Race Beyond Borders Keynote Address

**Dr. Sheila Walker**

Sheila S Walker, PhD, cultural anthropologist and documentary filmmaker, has done fieldwork, lectured, and participated in intellectual and cultural events in most of Africa and the Global African Diaspora. Her goal is now to educate the public about the Global African Diaspora. Her book, [\*African Roots/American Cultures: Africa in the Creation of the Americas\*](#), has a companion documentary, [\*Scattered Africa: Faces and Voices of the African Diaspora\*](#).

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Her latest book, *Conocimiento desde adentro: Los afro-sudamericanos hablan de sus pueblos y sus historias/Conhecimento desde dentro: Os afro-sul-americanos falam de seus povos e suas histórias/Knowledge from the Inside: Afro-South Americans Speak of their People and their Histories* (in Spanish and Portuguese), features chapters by Afrodescendants from all the Spanish-speaking countries in South America. Her most recent documentary, [Familiar Faces/Unexpected Places: A Global African Diaspora](#), was shown at the United Nations as the 2018 Black History Month program for the UN International Decade for People of African Descent 2015-2024, and was sent for showings at UN Information Centers in the Americas, Africa, Asia and the Pacific, and Europe.

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