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## **Atlanta Global Studies Center**



## **AUGUST 2023 NEWSLETTER**

# **News and Announcements**

### **Farewell to Diana Wrenn Rapp**



This month's newsletter gives us the bittersweet opportunity to thank Diana Wrenn Rapp, Associate Director of AGSC at GSU, and to wish her well as she leaves us to pursue her Ph.D. full-time at the University of Georgia. Diana's contributions to the center over the past 5 years have been many, and have been instrumental to AGSC's success. Not only will she be missed by all of AGSC's many stakeholders, partners, and affiliates, but she also leaves big shoes to fill!

## **Higher Education Learning Community**



Ine Higher Education Learning Community, hosted in part by AGSC, has a new Linkedin Group. If you are an active Linkedin user, please join us there! We are looking forward to the relaunch of the Sustainable Development Research Seminar series, along with several other events planned for the coming Fall semester.

The group is envisioned as a place to pool and share sustainability events and initiatives which will be of interest to HELC members, as well as to provide a forum for discussion of substantive issues in research and teaching with regard to the SDGs.

Come join us - https://www.linkedin.com/groups/14293383/

#### Community of Practice on Teaching with the SDGs

For those with specific interest in the issues relating to teaching, now is the time to join the HELC Community of Practice on Teaching with the SDGs. Topics this Fall will include empowering students to be change-makers and strategies for addressing barriers to curricular integration.

To join or find out more, please complete this qualtrics form.

## Call for Proposals - Virtual Exchange at GSU

AGSC and the GSU Office of International Initiatives (OII) seek proposals from GSU faculty to integrate Virtual Exchange (VE) activities into classes that will be taught during the Spring 2024 semester. Faculty whose proposals are accepted will receive \$1000 for professional development.

Proposal Deadline: September 25, 2023

https://international.gsu.edu/virtualexchange/call-for-proposals/

# **Upcoming Events**

Project Launch - OFF THE WALL @ 725 Ponce



A new digital public media arts project, led by Prof. Gregory Zinman and supported in part by AGSC, is set to launch this **August 18**.

Featuring the largest movie screen in the Southeast, **Off The Wall @ 725 Ponce** will illuminate the Eastside Beltline Trail with images projected on to the façade of the eight-story building. The program will debut with shimmering digital loops by Alyson Denny, a New York photographer and filmmaker, and *Let Light Perpetual* (2023), a film by Atlanta's Micah and Whitney Stansell, known for their large-scale public projection pieces.

The inaugural program will run on Friday and Saturday nights beginning August 18 and will conclude September 2. The programs will run from 9-10pm and are free and open to the public. The initial slate of programming will then continue through the end of the year and will include a survey of contemporary Black video art, family-friendly feature films, and live audio-visual performances.

For more information about the project, please follow @offthewall725 on Instagram and on Twitter at @OffTheWall725.

Lecture - Religious Minorities in Pakistan and Iraq



The Middle East Studies Center at GSU, College of Arts and Sciences, and the Center for South Asian Studies at University of Michigan will jointly present a lecture by Rev. Salmoon Bashir on "Religious Minorities in Pakistan and Iraq".

Co-sponsored by AGSC and the Asian Studies Center at GSU, the event will take place on Thursday, **September 14, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM**, in the Conference Room on the second floor of the College of Arts and Sciences, Room 223, at 25 Park Place, Atlanta, GA.

## **Faculty Community on Virtual Exchange**

Virtual Exchange increases global competency and engagement, promotes digital literacy, fosters cultural appreciation and understanding, develops professional skills, and facilitates intercultural collaboration and communication. Students who participate in such programs are eligible to earn digital International Virtual Exchange badges! Interested in learning more? Join the GSU Faculty Community on Virtual Exchange!

Fall 2023 dates: **Sept. 20**, Oct. 18, and Nov. 15, 3:00-4:30 pm (Eastern)

All are welcome!

Zoom Link: bit.ly/46jfHIW



### A Global Career Expo Presented by CULTR

World Languages Day will take place this year on October 19 at Georgia State University. Supported in part by AGSC, this global career expo will bring together organization representatives from businesses, non-profits, government, and education to connect with over 1,000 high school and college students about the global skills essential to their industries.

Register to attend, become a sponsor, or sign up as an exhibitor now!

# **Summer Recap**

## **Atlanta Global Studies Symposium - Session Recordings**



Recordings of the keynote address, panel discussions, AGREC showcase, and remarks by Congressman Hank Johnson at April's Symposium are now available on our YouTube channel! If you weren't able to attend this year, check out the links below:

#### Full playlist here

The P12 Teachers Workshop can also be viewed here.

## **Arabic Teachers Council of the South - K20 Teacher Workshop**



#### **Empowering Educators of Arabic Language and Culture**

On April 29, ATCS convened its K20 Arabic Teachers Workshop 2023 on the theme of "Empowering Educators of Arabic Language and Culture", hosted at <u>Amana Academy</u>.

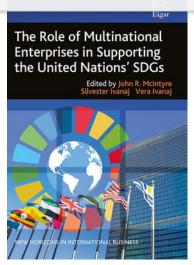
Recordings of the presentations are now live on our YouTube channel!

https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLoIPNOGu-uTrCLs4SIO1hw0dTBAzsRXZT

Check out each of these fantastic topics:

- 1. "Arabic Connections across the Curriculum for Novice Learners" Djaouida Bensaadoun (Amana Academy)
- 2. "Benefits and Challenges of Project-Based Learning in the Arabic Classroom" Dr. Natalie Khazaal and Ahmed (Georgia Tech)
- 3. "Expeditionary Learning Protocols in the Arabic Classroom" Hana Arslan and Rula Edilbi (Amana Academy)
- 4. "Using the APPLL Test to Drive Student Achievement" Alia Alabsi (Al Falah Academy)
- 5. "Language & Culture Beyond Borders: A Teacher's Roadmap to Virtual Exchange" Caroline Sibley (UNC Chapel Hill)
- 6. "Arab Scientists in the Golden Age" Hadil Alghoul (Annoor Academy)
- 7. "Using the Pre-During-Post Framework and Active Learning Strategies to Improve Reading Comprehension" Abeer Shehadeh (Al Falah Academy)
- 8. "Integrating Arabic Grammar into Lessons: A Non-classical Approach to Teaching Grammar" Egbal Almahatwary (Oxford College, Emory University)

Thanks to all those who helped make the day a success! This workshop was made possible by a generous grant from Qatar Foundation International (QFI).



Following on from April's episode of *Authors Amplified*, which was recorded live at the Symposium (see link above), the AGSC's podcast series, produced in partnership with Global Atlanta, continued this summer by hearing from John McIntyre, Professor & Executive Director of the GT Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER). In this episode, Dr McIntyre discusses his recent book, *The Role of Multinationals in Supporting the UN SDGs* (2022), with Global Atlanta's Trevor Williams.

Listen here.

## **AGSC Hosts Delegation Led by Ambassador of Zimbabwe**



A meeting was held at the Atlanta Global Studies Center with delegates from Zimbabwe in order to promote international collaboration and foster educational partnerships. The gathering explored higher education linkages between Universities in Zimbabwe and Atlanta to enhance academic exchange, collaboration, and mutual understanding.

The meeting was attended by distinguished guests from Zimbabwe and Atlanta, including government officials, university representatives, and professionals in the field of education.

the Ministry of Higher & Tertiary Education, Innovation, Science & Technology Development. The Ambassador and his delegation were welcomed by Dr. Bernard Kippelen, Vice Provost for International Affairs at Georgia Tech.

### **AGREC Project - Supporting Black Students Abroad**



### **Advancing Global Inclusive Leadership Education (AGILE)**

On May 1st, students, faculty, and business leaders gathered at the Delta Flight Museum for this year's AGILE Symposium 2023, a project funded in part by AGREC. The event highlighted content and conversations around the topic of "Supporting Black Students at Home and Abroad". The inaugural cohort of AGILE scholars, who travelled to France during Spring Break this year, was also recognized and celebrated.

Dr Heather Scott and some of the AGILE scholars will present on the project at Diversity Abroad's upcoming Global Inclusion 2023 conference this November.

### **RCE Greater Atlanta**

#### **SDG Futures Fellows**

The AGREC-funded 2022/23 cohort of <u>Fellows</u> gave their final presentations at a symposium event held at Atlanta Tech Village on April 22nd. Congratulations to all of them for an incredibly successful year of work!



#### Global Goals Podcast - Episode 4

The <u>latest episode</u> in the series features Adair Garrett, one of this year's above-mentioned SDG Futures Fellows. Adair is a second-year Ph.D. student at Georgia Tech in the Transportation Systems Engineering concentration of the graduate program in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering. As part of her Fellowship, Adair and her teammates worked with the City of Atlanta on developing its first Voluntary Local Review, reporting metrics showing how the city is doing on various measures of the 17 SDGs.



#### **Summer Quarterly Meeting**

On July 12th we were excited to welcome more than 80 people to the historic Haugabrooks Funeral Home in Sweet Auburn. The event featured special presentations from the Praise House Project about their work combining activism and art at sites across Greater Atlanta. Thanks to everyone who joined us, existing members and new friends, and to the interns who helped organize the event!

Read more about the meeting here.



### **Conference Presentations**



AGSC Co-Director, Dr Tony Lemieux, spent much of the Summer participating in global conservations about communication, globalization, extremism, and social media.

On June 14, he travelled to Meta HQ in Menlo, CA, to speak at the Annual Summit of the Global Internet Forum to Counter Terrorism. Dr Lemieux presented as part of a panel addressing "Current Trends in the Online Threat Landscape and their Nexus to World Regions". <u>Watch the full session here</u>.

The following week Dr Lemieux participated in a workshop held at Swansea University in Wales, where the team dedicated their efforts to advancing research on **Online Extremist Ecosystems**. The workshop involved an international assembly of researchers and collaborators from three different countries and six universities affiliated with the <u>VoxPol network</u>.

On June 26, he was invited to contribute to a workshop titled "Responsive and Responsible Cities: Implementing Urban Futures", as part of the Aspen Institute's <u>"Future Cities – A Transatlantic Townhall Project"</u>. This gathering of stakeholders discussed youth empowerment and workforce development in the urban context, with a view to fostering transatlantic discourse on the development of cities and their complexities.

# **Student Opportunities**

### **Latin American Association Internships**

The LAA has many internship opportunities available for Fall 2023. The program is geared towards providing students with real-world experience and a chance to apply their academic knowledge in a professional setting. Through this initiative, the LAA aims to foster a collaborative learning environment, offering valuable insights, mentorship, and networking opportunities to budding talents.

Applications can be submitted here: <a href="https://thelaa.jotform.com/231705231276955">https://thelaa.jotform.com/231705231276955</a>

The deadline is August 15.

Available opportunities include:

Adult Education/ESL Program Internship

Economic Empowerment Business Management Program Internship

Economic Empowerment Job Training Program Internship

Economic Empowerment Women's Entrepreneurship Program Internship

Facilities Hospitality and Events Internship

Family Stabilization and Well-Being Social Work Generalist Internship

Family Stabilization and Well-Being Public Benefits/SNAP Enrollment Internship

Family Stabilization and Well-Being Food Insecurity Program Internship

Immigration Legal Services Internship

Marketing and Communications Internship

Marketing and Communications Storytelling Internship

Operations Internship

Operations/Administration Accounting Internship

Operations/Facilities LAA Navigator Internship

Operations Data Analytics Internship

Resource Development Grants Management Internship

Resource Development Special Events and Fundraising Internship

Volunteer Program Internship

Youth Services Internship

Inquiries should be directed to Catherine Warren, <a href="mailto:cwarren@thelaa.org">cwarren@thelaa.org</a>.

**Fulbright:** Provides grants to graduating college seniors, graduate students, young professionals, and artists to pursue graduate or professional studies, conduct research, or teach English abroad for up to one academic year. <a href="https://us.fulbrightonline.org/">https://us.fulbrightonline.org/</a>. Application Opens: April 2023.

**Virtual Student Federal Service (VSFS):** Part-time, virtual internships with flexible schedules. Interns can partner with Department of State diplomatic posts overseas and domestic offices, as well as other agencies. All VSFS interns are unpaid and volunteer ten hours a week from September to May. <a href="https://vsfs.state.gov">https://vsfs.state.gov</a>. Application Opens: July 2023.

**Critical Language Scholarship (CLS):** Offers opportunities for undergraduate and graduate students in U.S.- based degree programs to learn one of 15 languages through immersive study abroad institutes each summer. <a href="https://clscholarship.org/">https://clscholarship.org/</a>. Next Application Deadline: November 2023.

**U.S. Department of State Student Internship Program**: Paid internships offered during the fall, spring, and summer semesters in Washington, D.C. and at U.S. embassies and consulates overseas. Interns will receive GS-04 pay level, including transportation/housing expenses. Applicants must have completed at least 60 credit hours at an accredited university at the start of the internship, have at least a 3.2 GPA, and be enrolled in school the semester immediately following the internship. <a href="https://careers.state.gov/interns-fellows/student-internship-program/">https://careers.state.gov/interns-fellows/student-internship-program/</a>. Vacancies are on a rolling basis.

**U.S. Foreign Service Internship Program (USFSIP):** Merit and needs-based opportunity available to undergraduate sophomore and junior students with a 3.2 GPA or higher. The program provides two paid internships in consecutive summers. The first will be in Washington, D.C. and the second one will be at a U.S. Embassy or Consulate abroad. Interns will receive pay at the GS-04 level and transportation/housing expenses.

<a href="https://careers.state.gov/interns-fellows/student-internship-program/">https://careers.state.gov/interns-fellows/student-internship-program/</a>. Vacancies are on a rolling basis.

**Pathways Internship Program:** Offers paid employment for students while they attend school. Applicants must be at least 16 years old and enrolled or accepted as a student (full-time or part-time) in a qualifying high school, vocational school, undergraduate or graduate program, with a GPA of at least 2.0. <a href="https://bit.ly/3KuRvcb">https://bit.ly/3KuRvcb</a>. Vacancies are on a rolling basis.

Colin Powell Leadership Program Internship: The Colin Powell Leadership Program recruits highly motivated individuals from a variety of backgrounds who aspire to and possess the potential to become future Civil Service leaders in the Department. The program provides paid internships to students who are enrolled at accredited institutions of higher education. <a href="https://bit.ly/3wFEYgh">https://bit.ly/3wFEYgh</a>. Vacancies are on a rolling basis.

# **Other Opportunities**

#### **Build Your University's International and Language Library Collections!**

Are you or your department in need of library resources on global, regional, or country-specific content? Would you like to add foreign language resources to your library's collection? As a National Resource Center, the Atlanta Global Studies Center builds international studies, area studies, and world languages library collections at Georgia Tech and Georgia State University. Please send your requests for books, journals, and digital resources to <u>Stuart Minson</u>.

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