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## OCTOBER 2023 NEWSLETTER

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### News and Announcements

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#### AGREC Publication Wins Award

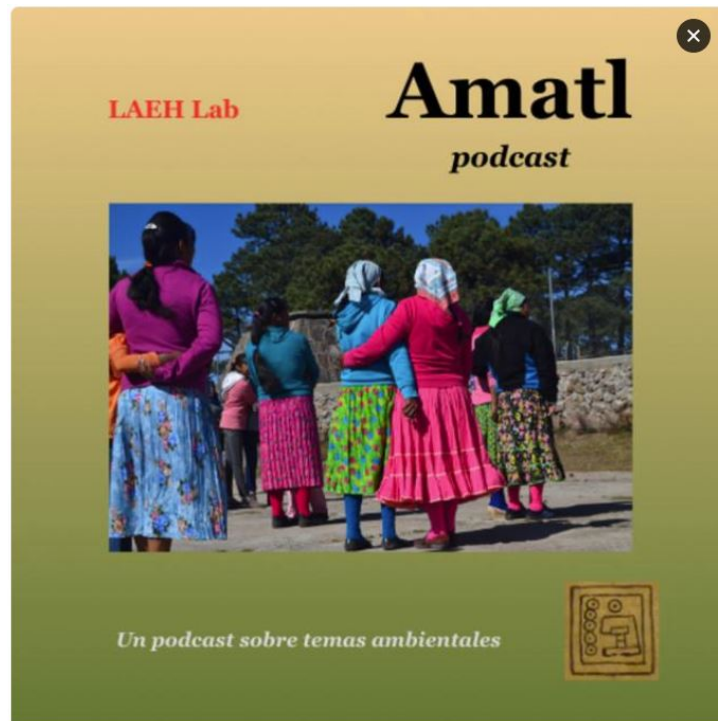


Congratulations to **Dr Hyoun-A Joo** and **Dr Lina Tuschling** for receiving the Best Article Award from the journal *Die Unterrichtspraxis / Teaching German*!

Their article, "Tesla in Grünheide: Growing Intercultural Competence Through Role-Play Simulation" (2022), was based on their AGREC 2020-21 research project which sought to contribute to peace education by growing intercultural competence and strengthening linguistic diversity. The project, "Piloting an Atlanta-Based Global Community of Practice for Hyperlocal Case Studies and Education", worked to integrate the 'case study methodology' into the foreign language classroom.

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## LAEH Lab Podcast Series



The new [Amatl Podcast Series](#), co-sponsored by AGSC, explores environmental contexts, perspectives, and initiatives across Latin America. The series is produced by the [Latin American Environmental Humanities \(LAEH\) Lab](#), a collaborative research initiative by **Dr Miguel Rosas Buendia** (Modern Languages) and **Dr Germán Vergara** (History & Sociology) at Georgia Tech. Each episode, they interview guests about their experience, knowledge, and understanding of a particular environmental topic. The first two episodes (in Spanish) are now live:

- [Episodio 1: “Luchas territoriales indígenas en la Sierra Tarahumara”](#), con Fátima Valdivia
- [Episodio 2: “Deforestación, conservación y sostenibilidad en la Amazonía peruana”](#), con [Fernando Rubio](#)

Available on Spotify now!



2022 - 2023  
**RCE Greater  
Atlanta  
Annual Report**



Compiled and edited by **AGSC's star Graduate Assistant, Fiona Cheung**, the new RCE Greater Atlanta Annual Report 2022-23 is available starting today!

Download a copy to read about this year's Quarterly Meetings, which featured **Chandra Farley**, the City of Atlanta's Chief Sustainability Officer, and **Charmaine Minnifield**, Atlanta-based artist and activist, as well as the network's many projects, including among others:

- The SDG Futures Fellowship
- Communities of Practice on Teaching with the SDGs and Community-Academic Partnerships
- RCE Americas Course Series on "Localizing the UN SDGs through Education, Training, and Collaboration"
- Drawdown Georgia Solutions Equity Opportunities Report

[Get the report here.](#)

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**Call for Student Poster Presentations and Faculty Judges**



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Dr Andrea Jonsson and her co-organizers are pleased to invite proposals for poster presentations for the AGSC co-sponsored **Voice+ Research Lab** at Georgia Tech's inaugural student research symposium on November 14-15, 2023. Proposals are sought for undergraduate and M.S.- level research poster presentations that engage with the intersections between voice and technology. Faculty are invited to serve as judges. [More information here.](#)

Poster Submissions: <https://forms.gle/eRvLnEjFdAHZ1aJ67>

Contact: [ajonsson7@gatech.edu](mailto:ajonsson7@gatech.edu)

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## Upcoming Events

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### HELC Sustainable Development Research Seminar



#### Peace Building in Liberia

Join us for the second installment of our seminar series, presented by the Higher Education Learning Community (HELC) of RCE Greater Atlanta, to hear from Dr Volker Franke, Professor of Conflict Management in the School of Conflict Management, Peacebuilding and Development at Kennesaw State University.



**Friday, October 13th**

12:00-1:15pm ET - SCMPD House, Room 117, Kennesaw State University, and via Zoom

[RSVP here](#) to get the link.

For information on the series, [visit our website](#).

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## 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](https://bit.ly/46jfHIW)

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## World Languages Day



**WORLD LANGUAGES DAY**

A Global Career Expo Presented by CULTR

**OCTOBER 19, 2023**

### 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 now!](#)

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Join us for the next event in the AGSC's **African Studies Lecture Series**, curated by Chris Ippolito, Professor of French in the GT School of Modern Languages.

Dr. Gabara will discuss the development of independent sub-Saharan African cinema in the context of her forthcoming monograph, *Reclaiming Realism: From Documentary Film in Africa to African Documentary Film*. Gabara's book and essays on the topic are based on research supported by the Fulbright Scholar Program, the National Endowment for the Humanities, and the American Philosophical Society.

"Filming Africa: From Ethnography to Essay"

**Thursday, October 26th**

3:30-4:30pm, Scholars Event Network Theater, Price Gilbert Library, Georgia Tech

[Register here](#)

For more on the African Studies Lecture Series, [visit our website](#).

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**New HIVEMIND Issue Launch**



### "Tolkien in Asia" with authors Ploi Pirapokin, Silvia Park, and Ken Liu

Join us for two global speculative fiction events on Friday, November 3! Authors Ploi Pirapokin (*Tor.com*, *Pleiades*, *Ninth Letter*) and Silvia Park (*Black Warrior Review*, *The Best American Science Fiction*) will join us in person for a Speculative Writing Workshop and Q&A from 1-2 pm. Hugo, Nebula, and World Fantasy-award winner Ken Liu will join us online from 3:00-4:15 pm for a hybrid panel celebrating the new issue of the School of Modern Languages' global SF publication, *Hivemind Magazine*. This issue, "Tolkien in Asia," explores how Tolkien featured Asia in his work, as well as how his work has impacted fantasy writing both in Asia and around the world.

#### Friday, November 3rd

Scholar Event Network Theater, Price Gilbert Library, Georgia Tech

#### 1:00-2:00pm: "Writing Speculative Fiction" Workshop + Q&A

Guest authors: Ploi Pirapokin and Silvia Park

Moderator: Ida Yoshinaga, School of Literature, Media, and Communication (LMC), Georgia Tech

#### 3:00-4:15pm: "Tolkien in Asia" Panel Discussion

Guest authors: Ploi Pirapokin and Silvia Park (in person), Ken Liu (online)

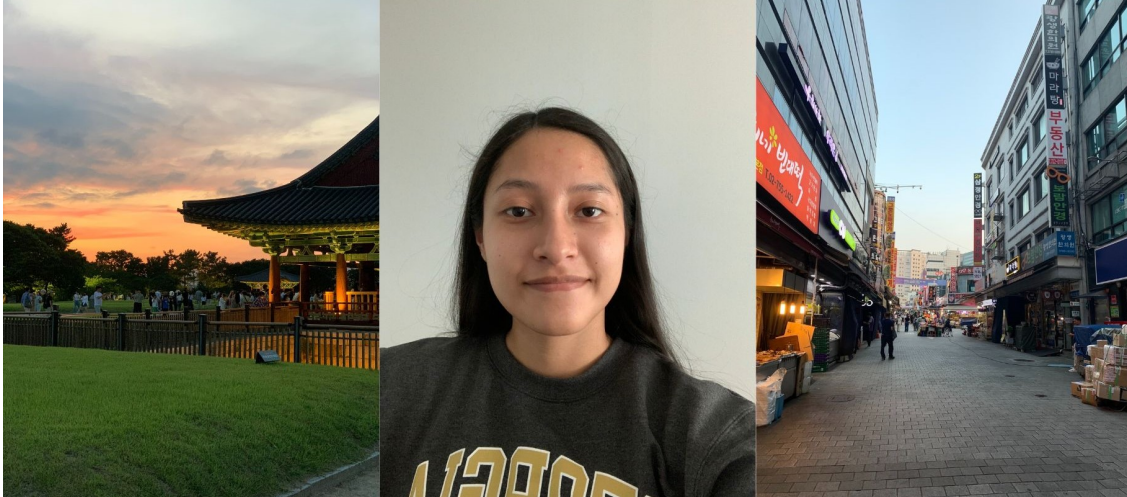
Moderators: Lisa Yaszek (LMC) and Amanda Weiss, School of Modern Languages, Georgia Tech

[Register here](#) to attend, and check out the [HIVEMIND](#) website for past issues and more details.

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## Student Spotlight

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This past summer, **Angela Gomez**, a rising Freshman at Georgia Tech studying Neuroscience with a Minor in Korean, was one of the recipients of **AGSC's FLAS Fellowships** for summer language learning, taking the opportunity to participate on the GT School of Modern Language's **Korean LBAT**.

Asked about her time on the program, Angela said “My experience on LBAT Korea was great. We got to travel to places outside of Seoul, so we could experience the ‘non-tourist’ parts. I learned a lot of Korean during those two months. The Yonsei professors were great at explaining concepts. We were paired with a tutor, and we would practice talking together.”

For Angela, the LBAT program had distinct advantages - “I wanted to get my Korean minor as fast as possible, so I joined LBAT because you can finish most of the requirements for the minor. I also just wanted to go study abroad.”

Memorable experiences included traveling to Oeobo Botania and indulging in local dishes like Dakgalbi, a kind of stir-fried chicken.

All in all, she says, “I definitely recommend LBAT Korea if you plan on getting a Korean minor. You can finish most of your requirements, and you can immerse yourself in the culture. Also, you get to meet new people around your age and explore with them.”

Congratulations, Angela!

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## In Case You Missed It ...

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For four days at the end of September, AGSC helped Georgia Tech and the City of Atlanta to host the 12th Annual RCE Americas Meeting, a forum for collaboration and knowledge-sharing among the region's networks to better advance **Sustainable Development**. We were excited to welcome almost 100 members both in-person and virtually from RCEs throughout the Americas, North to South. Across twenty sessions, presentations were delivered by **ten regional networks**, including two in Spanish, accompanied by live AI translation.

**Ángel Cabrera, President of Georgia Tech**, welcomed attendees and reported on his time at the UN General Assembly earlier in the month, repeating Secretary-General António Guterres' warning that the world is not on track to meet the 2030 SDGs, and highlighting the importance of Education for Sustainable Development as a crucial tool to accelerate global progress.

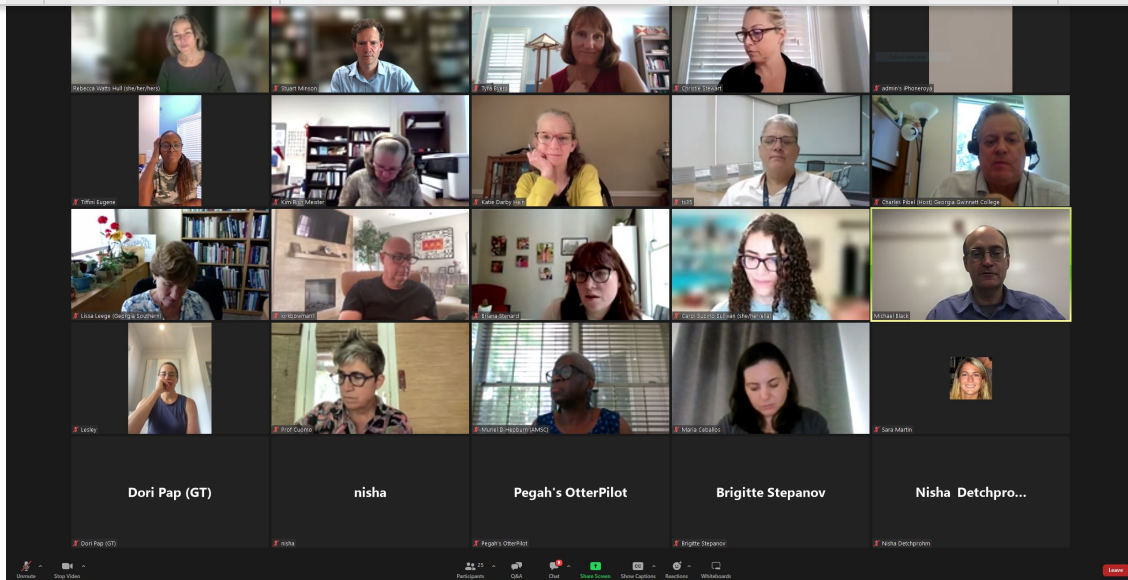
**Keisuke Midori, Section Chief at the Ministry of Environment, Japan**, and **Shengru Li, Research Fellow at the Toyko-based United Nations University**, highlighted the work of the RCE Global Network and outlined strategies for future success.

The conference included visits to the **MLK Historic District** and the HBCUs of the **Atlanta University Center**, and concluded with an **Energy Equity Symposium**.

Session recordings, presentation slides, and a detailed recap are [available here](#).

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## Community of Practice on Teaching with the SDGs



The HELC Community of Practice met on September 22nd to discuss “Empowering Students to Lead Change through SDG Teaching” and enjoyed fantastic presentations, including:

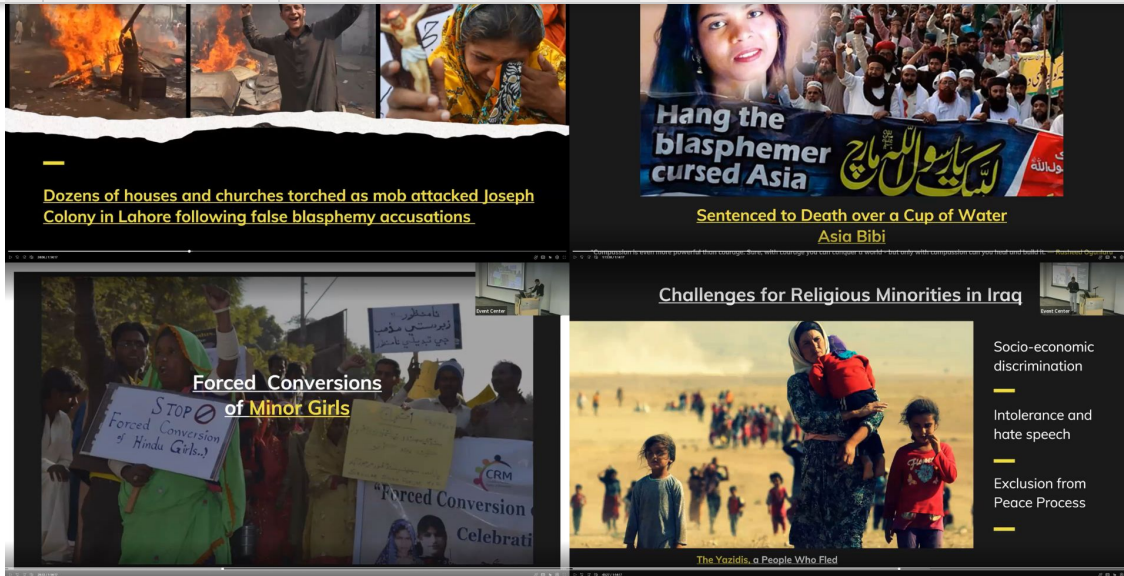
- “Using the SDGs to frame research teams” - Kirk Bowman, Professor of International Affairs, Georgia Tech
- “Empowerment in Hard Times: Hope, Activism, and Being In the Moment” - Chris Cuomo, Professor of Philosophy and Women’s Studies, University of Georgia
- “The UN SDGs as a Study Abroad Framework” - Dori Pap, Managing Director of the Institute for Leadership and Social Impact, Georgia Tech

Click here for more info on the [Community of Practice](#).

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## Religious Minorities in Pakistan and Iraq





A fifty-strong audience of faculty and graduate students joined Rev. Salmoon Bashir on September 14 at the GSU Middle East Studies Center for a sobering talk on segregation and the persecution of religious minorities in Pakistan and Iraq, co-sponsored by AGSC and the University of Michigan's Center for South Asian Studies.

Watch the recorded session now on the [AGSC YouTube channel](#).

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## Student Opportunities

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### Federal Scholarship and Internship Opportunities

**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. <https://us.fulbrightonline.org/>. **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. <https://vsfs.state.gov>. **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. <https://clscholarship.org/>. **Next Application Deadline:**

**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. <https://careers.state.gov/interns-fellows/student-internship-program/>. 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. <https://careers.state.gov/interns-fellows/student-internship-program/>. 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. <https://bit.ly/3KuRvcb>. 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. <https://bit.ly/3wFEYgh>. Vacancies are on a rolling basis.*

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## Other Opportunities

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### 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

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