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FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

News and Announcements

Atlanta Global Studies Symposium
presents GRAMMY® Award Winner

DAVID SANCHEZ

KEYNOTE LECTURE AND LIVE PERFORMANCE

FRIDAY Main Auditorium
APR 12 Tech Square
2024 Research Building
Georgia Institute of
Technology
Keynote, 5pm, followed by
Reception, 6pm

**Musical Roots,
Cultural Traditions,
and the Language of
Sustainability in the
Afro Caribbean**

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AGSC is excited to announce that **GRAMMY® award-winning musician David Sánchez** will deliver a keynote lecture and live performance at the Atlanta Global Studies Symposium 2024. Recognized around the world as one of the finest saxophonists of his generation, Sánchez merges jazz syntax with the musical dialects of his native Puerto Rico and other Caribbean sources. Bringing a mix of mainstream jazz with Pan-African influences to audiences around the globe, his original compositions, like the album *Carib* (2018), are inspired by melodies and rhythms coming from the Afro Puerto Rican and Haitian traditions.

Location: Main Auditorium, Technology Square Research Building, Georgia Institute of Technology
Friday, April 12th, 2024 - mark your calendars!

Call for Proposals - GSU Virtual Exchange Grants



AGSC and the GSU Office of International Initiatives seek proposals from GSU faculty to integrate Virtual Exchange (VE) activities into classes taught during the 2024-2025 Academic Year.

Proposals are sought in two categories:

- Faculty new to VE - **\$1000** in professional development funds.
- Faculty who have previously implemented VE courses - **\$750** in professional development funds.

Applications must include an Abstract (max 200 words) and a Proposal Narrative (no more than 3 pages). Proposals should be submitted as a single PDF via email to virtualexchange@gsu.edu.

Due Monday, **March 1, 2024, at 5 p.m.**

Award notifications will be made by March 11, 2024.

Find more details [here](#).

Atlanta Declaration on SDG Education and Research



During SDG Action Week, **March 4-8**, volunteers can participate in preparing the **Atlanta Declaration on SDG Education and Research**. Requirements:

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- Summarize the discussions at the event in no more than **five bullet points** and provide max **three bullet points** identifying potential Action Items for the Declaration.
- Report the results at a hybrid meeting on **Friday, 8 March, 1:00-2:30pm**.

Sign up [here!](#)

Call for Proposals - AGREC 2024-25



The Atlanta Global Research and Education Collaborative (AGREC), coordinated by AGSC, invites scholars to submit collaborative project proposals across disciplines and institutions that address global issues at the local level.

AGREC is now comprised of seven universities including Emory, Georgia Tech, GSU, Agnes Scott, Spelman, KSU, and Clark Atlanta University. Teams from at least two member institutions may apply for **funding in the range of \$5,000 - \$20,000**, to be expended by August 2025.

Important Dates:

March 7, 2024: Info Session

April 19, 2024: Proposal Deadline

May 17, 2024: Notification of Pre-Awards

Please visit [our website](#) for more details, the full CfP, and links to apply.

Info Sessions - 360° Global Learning Experiences

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360 GLE contains over 60 hours of **immersive global content** produced by local experts in the field around the world. AGSC has purchased access for all faculty at GT and GSU.

- There are four main areas of study: **Humanities, Sciences, Business, and Global Perspectives.**
- Selected modules available in both English and Spanish.
- Each area of study contains 12 hours of video content and 360° visual tours of international locations, ready-made to give your courses a global dimension.
- Can be **integrated directly into existing courses** in Canvas or other digital learning platforms.

To join an **upcoming demonstration and information session**, please email us at agsc@gatech.edu or agsc@gsu.edu.

Upcoming Events

Great Decisions Lecture Series



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the [Georgia Council for International Visitors](#), addresses pressing issues in world affairs as part of the Foreign Policy Association's [Great Decisions](#) program.

Virtual, every Thursday @ 7:00 pm

Topics for Weeks 3-6 are:

- Feb 15: **“Science Across Borders”** by Margaret Kosal, Associate Professor, Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, GT
- Feb 22: **“U.S.-China Trade Rivalry”** by Penelope Prime, Managing Director, China Currents, and Founding Director, China Research Center
- Feb 29: **“Nato's Future”** by General Philip Breedlove, Distinguished Professor, Sam Nunn School, GT
- March 7: **“Understanding Indonesia”** by Bibek Chand, Assistant Professor, UNG

There is a fee to register for the virtual lecture series, and registration is required to receive the event link. [Click here to register.](#)

K-20 Arabic Teachers Workshop

Arabic Teachers Council of the South
presents

K-20 Teacher Workshop on:
Innovations in Teaching Arabic

Date: Saturday, March 2, 2024
Location: Alif Institute,
Atlanta, GA

Register here!

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20 teachers on **"Innovations in Teaching Arabic."** It will be a day-long event from 9 am to 4 pm, and doors open at 8 am.

Presentations include:

- **"How to Create Resources to Navigate the Richness of Arab Culture"** - Raja Benchekroun, Foreign Language & Culture Instructor, The University of South Florida
- **"Teaching Grammar in a Proficiency-Based Curriculum"** - Dr. Ghazi Abuhakema, Associate Professor, College of Charleston, SC
- **"Transforming Arabic Education with AI: Dynamic Teaching, Engaging Activities"** - Dr. Jomana Wilson, Vice President, Georgia Arabic Teachers Association
- **"Connecting People with Places in the Arabic Speaking World through Public Snapchat Maps and Google Earth"** - Laila Kharrat, Department Chair of Classical and Modern Languages, The Episcopal School of Dallas, TX
- **"Preparing Students for Study Abroad: A Practical Exploration"** - Katy Whiting, Managing Director, Sijal Institute in Amman, Jordan
- **"Using Films to Explore Social Justice Issues in Arabic Classes"** - Mariya Chakir, Senior Lecturer, Valdosta State University, GA

Saturday, March 2, 2024

Time: 9:00am- 4:00pm ET

Location: Alif Institute, 3288 Marjan Dr, Atlanta, GA 30340

[Register here!](#)

GSU Middle East Studies Keynote Lecture



The GSU Middle East Studies Center is organizing a Spring Seminar. The keynote is a lecture on **"Island and Empire: How Civil War in Crete Mobilized the Ottoman World"** by **Dr. Uğur Peçe**,

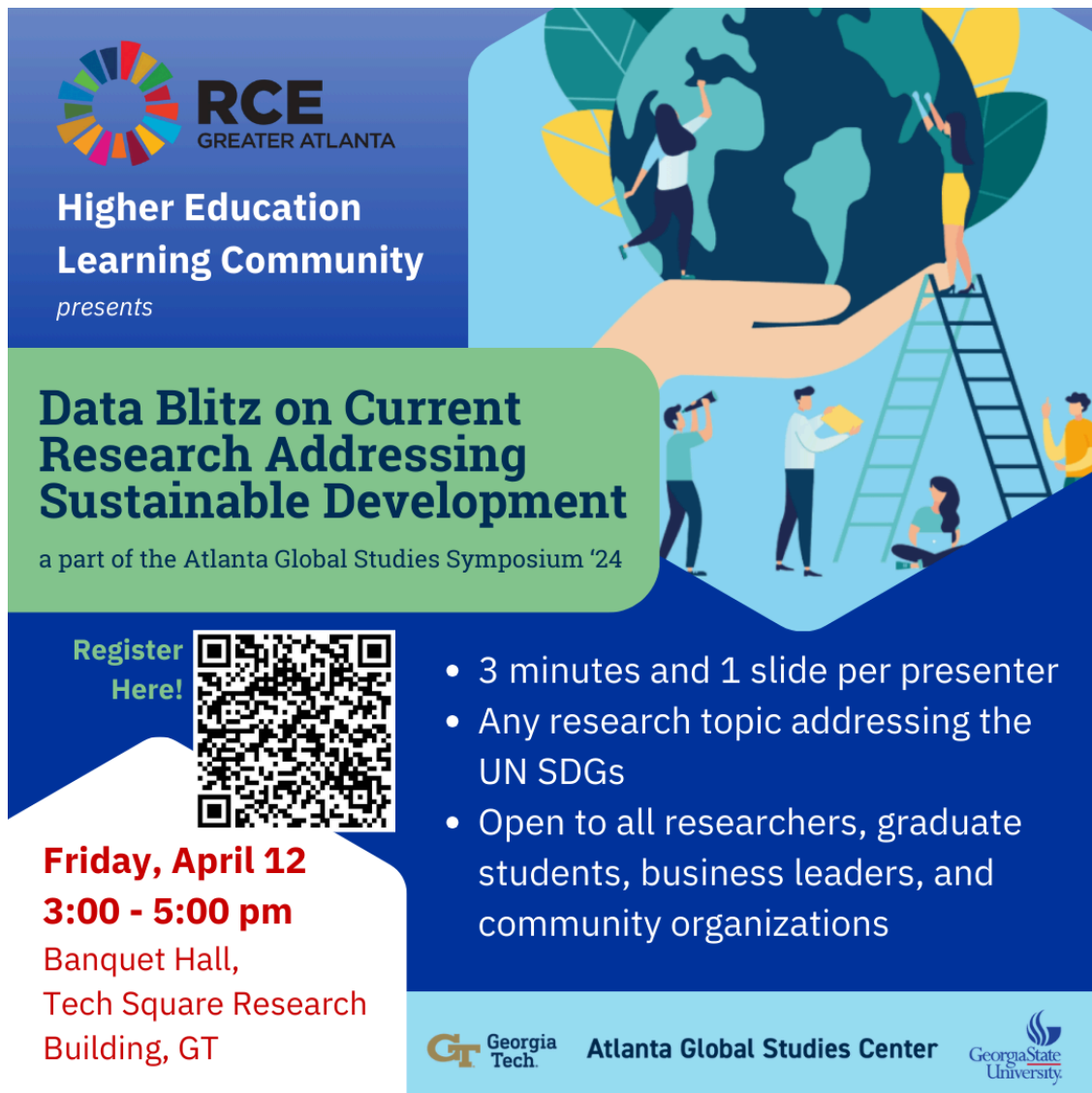
[Subscribe](#)[Past Issues](#)[Translate ▼](#)**Tuesday, March 5, 2024**


Time: 5:30pm ET

Location: Room 2150, 25 Park Place, 21st Floor

RSVP on Zoom [here](#)


Data Blitz on Current Research Addressing Sustainable Development



 **RCE**
GREATER ATLANTA



Higher Education Learning Community
presents

Data Blitz on Current Research Addressing Sustainable Development
a part of the Atlanta Global Studies Symposium '24

Register Here! 

- 3 minutes and 1 slide per presenter
- Any research topic addressing the UN SDGs
- Open to all researchers, graduate students, business leaders, and community organizations

Friday, April 12
3:00 - 5:00 pm
Banquet Hall,
Tech Square Research Building, GT

 **Georgia Tech** **Atlanta Global Studies Center** 

The RCE Greater Atlanta Higher Education Learning Community is organizing a "**Data Blitz on Current Research Addressing Sustainable Development.**" The event is a part of the Atlanta Global Studies Symposium scheduled for Friday, April 12th at Georgia Tech.

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students, business leaders, and community organizations to participate.

Friday, April 12, 2024

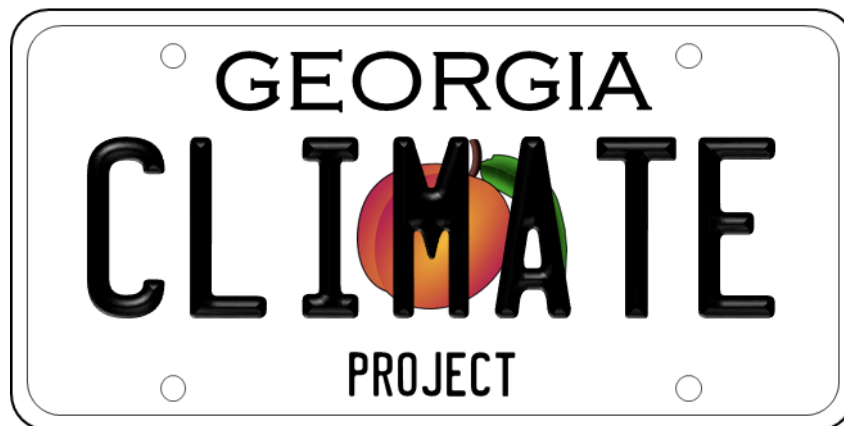
Time: 3:00pm-5:00pm ET

Location: Banquet Hall, Tech Square Research Building, Georgia Institute of Technology

[Register here](#)

In Case You Missed It ...

Sustainable Development Research Seminar



On February 9th, the Higher Education Learning Community (HELC) of RCE Greater Atlanta, hosted by AGSC, conducted the second installment of our Spring seminar series, with a talk on **"The Georgia Climate Project: Scaling up from Individual Voices to a Statewide Climate Hub"** by **Dr. Patricia Yager**, Professor of Marine Science at the University of Georgia.

The [full lecture is now available](#) on our YouTube channel!

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

Linguistics Olympiad 2024



The North American Computational Linguistics Open Competition (NACLO) is a contest in which high-school students solve linguistic problems. In solving these problems, students learn about the diversity and consistency of language, while exercising logic skills. On January 25, AGSC supported Dr Kyoko Masuda and Dr Hongchen Wu in welcoming high school students to attend this national competition at Georgia Tech. This year, following the examination, participants enjoyed a reception in the School of Modern Languages and a campus tour!

For more information, see <https://sites.gatech.edu/naclo/>

Student Opportunities

Summer Scholars Program

The School of Industrial and Systems Engineering (ISyE) at Georgia Tech offers the Summer Undergraduate Research Scholars Program which offers full-time independent research under the direction of an ISyE faculty mentor for 20 hours per week across a 10-week period. Participants receive a **\$3000 stipend** and are responsible for their own housing, transportation and meals. Applicants must be able to attend in-person on campus and be rising juniors or seniors (who will not have graduated by May 2024) majoring in engineering, math, science, computing, or a related field. [More information here.](#)

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*

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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: 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. <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.*

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 agsc@gatech.edu or agsc@gsu.edu.

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