FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY



CENTER FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT Division of Student Affairs

Global Connections



BEYOND BORDERS

INTERNATIONAL CULTURAL EXCHANGE

Apply for Beyond Borders to explore Germany!

Develop a deeper understanding of German culture through the Center for Global Engagement's short-term cultural exchange program: <u>Beyond Borders</u>. The deadline to apply for this academic year is Tuesday, November 2.

Participating FSU students welcome incoming international students from Germany to FSU's campus. Then FSU students in the program travel abroad and experience cultural immersion with the same international students in Germany from May 1 to May 22. Students enjoy attending local museums and historical sites, hiking, and making day trips to nearby towns.

"Beyond Borders is a wonderful, unique program that allows cross-cultural exchange, communication, and personal growth," said Michelle Lawson, CGE Programs Coordinator. "Not only do FSU students get a chance to visit Studentenwerk in Dresden (SWDD), but they also have the opportunity to host SWDD students at FSU. This program is insightful, fun, and a truly great experience!"

Selection for this program is a competitive process; only 10 students are selected for the Beyond Borders Germany program. Students must enroll in a one-credit hour course in the spring to prepare for their international experience.

FSU students who have participated in the program have gained life-long friendships, interpersonal and collaboration skills, intercultural communication skills, a global mindset, self-awareness, adaptability and resiliency.

Interested students can click below for more information and to apply or attend an info session held on <u>Wednesdays at 4 p.m. and Fridays at 12 p.m. in The Globe Auditorium</u>.

cge.fsu.edu/beyondborders



Apply for a GCC Scholarship



Application Deadline: November 1

FSU students enrolled in the Global Citizenship Certificate are eligible to apply for a \$1,000 scholarship toward one of FSU's Global Exchanges.

You must first be accepted into an exchange program (deadline to apply for Spring 2022 is October 1), then apply for this scholarship by November 1.



GCC Information Sessions



Tuesdays at 3 p.m. | Thursdays at 4 p.m. The Globe Room 2600

Through a combination of taking academic courses (1 required and 3 electives), attending 8 intercultural events, and completing 1 sustained experience, you can earn your Global Citizenship Certificate and develop intercultural and communication skills and enhance your knowledge of global issues.

Attend an info session so you can learn more about how our program can help you achieve your goals.



Global Exchanges Information Sessions



Wednesdays at 1 p.m. | Fridays at 12 p.m. The Globe Room 2300

Join us to find out how you can study at one of FSU's 45+ international partner universities while earning FSU credits, paying FSU tuition and using your financial aid! Topics covered include: selecting the right program, application process, and course selection and financial aid.

You can view the complete list of FSU's Global Exchange programs at <u>globalexchanges.fsu.edu</u>.



English Conversation Club



Monday – Friday | 4 – 5 p.m. The Globe Lounge (First Floor) *Monday, August 30 – Friday, December 3*

English Conversation Club invites speakers of English at all levels as a second/other language to meet in a relaxed atmosphere to practice conversational English. Groups are led by experienced English speakers. Students, scholars and their families are welcomed to attend! You don't need to sign up in advance, just show up.

Mark Your Calendar

Become a Global Ambassador

The Global Ambassadors Program (GAP) gives international students and visiting scholars at FSU the opportunity to be cultural ambassadors.

Global Ambassadors engage in speaking opportunities throughout Tallahassee and present to community



organizations, K-12 students, and FSU students. They have the opportunity to develop their public speaking and presentation skills in English, meet new people, and use the experience on their resume. We encourage FSU's international community of students, scholars, and faculty with questions to attend an info session on September 30 at <u>1 p.m. in The Globe Auditorium</u>.



CGE Student Spotlight

Amit Kumar Nath

Amit Kumar Nath, international student from Bangladesh pursuing a Ph.D. in computer science, is conducting research to inform the design of next-generation photo organization and retrieval tools that will improve user experiences.

During his initial years at FSU, Nath worked on big data analytics. Now he's conducting research to understand how users organize photos and retrieve specific photos from their large personal image collections.



"My Ph.D. research combines

elements from image processing,

computer vision, and human-computer interaction," Nath said. If you would like to participate in Nath's IRB-approved study, you can <u>take the 5-7 minute survey here</u>.

During his Ph.D. studies, he has co-authored several conference and journal papers. View his <u>Google Scholar profile</u> for a list of publications.

When he was applying to graduate schools in the U.S. in 2016-2017, he thought about several factors. "Some of the major issues for consideration were university ranking, scopes of research, funding opportunities, and assistantships," Nath said. "After completing my applications, initially I got an admission offer from the Computer Science department at FSU and then got a research assistantship offer. With the diverse research scopes and the assistantship, the offer from FSU was the best among all the other options. Also, the weather in Tallahassee is very similar to my home country, Bangladesh, which was a huge plus."

Read More

FSU Global Events

For a full list of FSU's events with a global focus, <u>check out this full calendar of events</u> or visit <u>global.fsu.edu</u>.

Global Citizenship Certificate Events*



FSU's Global Citizenship Certificate prepares undergraduate students to succeed in a diverse and multicultural world. Students take four academic courses (choose from a list of 500+ approved liberal studies courses), attend 8 intercultural events, and completed a sustained experience.

An asterisk (*) is used to denote which events qualify as an intercultural event toward the Global Citizenship Certificate. For more information, click below.

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Support CGE Programs



The Center for Global Engagement facilitates international diversity, fosters global understanding and awareness, and enhances internationalization efforts throughout the FSU community.

We envision a welcoming campus environment where students, faculty, and staff value cultural diversity and actively engage in a global community.

If you would like to support our mission by making a donation to our programming fund, please click the 'give' button below. On behalf of the CGE, the Division of Student Affairs, and the FSU Foundation, we thank you for supporting Florida State University.

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