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FSU Wins National Award for Campus Internationalization

Florida State University recently became one of only four universities to win a prestigious national award for integrating international education throughout the university.

FSU was selected for the 2017 Senator Paul Simon Award for Campus Internationalization, awarded annually by NAFSA: Association of International Educators. FSU was selected for a wide variety of study, research, and service opportunities for students to gain intercultural skills and experience, both on campus and abroad. Some of these are highlighted through global fsu.edu and include Global Exchanges, study abroad at FSU's three study centers and on faculty-led programs, Global Scholars, Social Science Scholars, Moellership Program, and intercultural programming provided by the Center for Global Engagement.

The <u>Global Citizenship Certificate</u>, FSU's academic program that maximizes cultural learning opportunities for undergraduates, was a key reason FSU won this award. This program includes curricular and co-curricular components that help students develop cross-cultural communication skills.

"FSU has a rich history of supporting internationalization and cultural diversity," said President John Thrasher. "Ensuring that our students have the skills, competencies and global awareness needed for success in the 21st century has long been one of our top priorities. We are honored to be recognized with such a prestigious award."

FSU, in addition to Santa Monica College, the University of Iowa, and the University of Pittsburgh, will be featured in NAFSA's fall report, <u>Internationalizing the Campus: Profiles of Success at Colleges and Universities</u>; the 2017 winners will also be honored at an event in Washington, D.C., during International Education Week in November.



Special Info Session March 28: German Exchange Program

FSU's Global Exchanges program will host visitors from Bergische Universität Wuppertal (BUW) at our next information session, on **Tuesday, March 28, at 3:30 p.m.** at The Globe (GME Building), Room 2600.

BUW is one of FSU's reciprocal student exchange partners located in the heart of Europe in the city of Wuppertal, Germany.

A strong proponent of international education and student mobility, BUW's core philosophy is that "a future-oriented university must take on its role of helping to shape our globalised society and the global university community in all possible areas of activity." As a result, BUW has worked hard to develop an impressive portfolio of international collaborations with over 150 international universities in the areas of research, study, and teaching.

FSU's exchange partnership with BUW allows FSU undergraduate and graduate students to attend BUW for one to two semester to take academic classes in English or German, participate in research activities or an internship, or study on the intensive German language program. Students do all this while earning FSU credits, paying FSU tuition, and using their existing financial aid. Global Exchanges, such as the program with BUW, provide an incredible opportunity for students to study at an excellent international institution.

Students interested in studying at BUW, or who are interested in finding out more about FSU's Global Exchanges programs, are encouraged to attend an information session and meet with the BUW representatives on Tuesday, March 28, at 3:30 p.m. in The Globe, Room 2600.

Summer 2017 Exchange Opportunities

It's not too late to do something memorable and educational this summer. FSU offers summer exchange opportunities in Brazil, China, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Italy, and South Korea. Students can earn up to six credit hours and study a variety of subjects taught in English, including Business, Politics, Economics, Culture, and Language. The deadline to apply is April 3, 2017. Visit our website, global.fsu.edu/exchange, or attend an information session this Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. or this Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. for more information.

More Upcoming Events

International Coffee Hour – Every Friday Starting March 24 | 5-6:30 p.m. | The Globe Lounge & Dining Room

U.S. students, scholars, and faculty gather for coffee and snacks every Friday. It's a great place to meet new people from various parts of the world, see old friends, and make plans for the weekend.

English Conversation Club – Every Monday-Friday I 4-5 p.m. I The Globe Lounge

International students, scholars, and their families at all levels of speaking English as a second/other language are invited to meet in a relaxed atmosphere to practice conversational English. Groups are led by experienced English tutors.

Global Citizenship Drop-In Advising – Tues. 10 a.m.-12 p.m. I Wed. 1-3 p.m. I Fri. 1-3 p.m. I The Globe Suite 1200

Drop-in advising hours are for any student who wants to learn about the Global Citizenship Certificate. This certificate

prepares FSU students to succeed in a diverse and multicultural world. Learn more: cge.fsu.edu/globalcitizen.

Global Exchanges Information Sessions – Every Tuesday 3:30 p.m. I Every Wednesday 12:30 p.m. I The Globe Room 2600

Find out how you can study at an international university 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. See the complete list of FSU's global exchange programs at: **global.fsu.edu/exchanges**.

Optional Practical Training (OPT) Workshop – Fri., March 24 | 2-4 p.m. | The Globe Room 2300

All F-1 international students nearing graduation are required to attend an OPT workshop (in person or online) if you are interested in working in the U.S. after graduation to gain experience in your field of study. Registration is required. To register, visit **cge.fsu.edu/workshop**. One additional workshop date is available: 4/21.

Global Issues Discussion: Building Bridges – Sun., March 26 | 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. | The Law School Rotunda

InternatioNole and the FSU Center for Global Engagement are pleased to host our annual Global Issues Discussion, where FSU and community organizations discuss international issues pertaining to their region, culture or advocacy area. Partake in a dialogue with representatives from organizations in series of 15 minute round table discussions, listen to guest speakers, and support the Venezuela Student Association's Venezuelan Donation Drive with a donation, item or monetary. This event is free and open to the FSU and greater Tallahassee community. We ask that you RSVP in advance on this event page to get an accurate estimate for food.

Engage Your World Event "Ukraine: Between East and West" – Thurs., March 30 I 5 p.m.-6:30 p.m. I The Globe Auditorium

The College of Social Science and Public Policy's Ruth K. and Shepard Broad International Lecture Series, in association with the Center for Global Engagement's Engage Your World series, presents a talk by Maryna Shkuropat, professor at the Horlivka State Pedagogical Institute of Foreign Languages in Ukraine. Currently in residence as a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Southern California, Shkuropat will talk about the current political situation in Ukraine and give a broad historical context to discover the roots of the present circumstances. The event is free and open to the public.

Global Partner Certificate: Bridging Cultures IV (for Faculty, Staff & Grad Students) – Fri., March 31l 10 a.m.-12 p.m. l The Globe Room 2300

The Global Partner Certificate is a Center for Global Engagement professional development initiative for those interested in improving their intercultural communication, knowledge, skills, and awareness, as well as becoming more globally competent. This certificate recognizes an individual's commitment to understanding and appreciating cultural diversity at FSU. Participants must complete all four workshops (in order) and three intercultural events offered on campus and/or in the Tallahassee community. Visit the **CGE website** for details.

Global Café Featuring the Dominican Republic - Fri., March 31l 11 a.m. until food runs out I The Globe Dining Room

This week is co-hosted by the Dominican Student Association and Hispanic/Latino Student Union. \$7 cash or check only.



Denotes a Global Citizenship Certificate qualifying event.

The Global Citizenship Certificate is designed to help undergraduate students maximize the rich cultural learning experiences available to them on campus, in the community, and abroad. Learn more: **cge.fsu.edu/globalcitizen**.

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