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CENTER FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT  
*Division of Student Affairs*  
**Global Connections**  
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# INTERNATIONAL COFFEE HOUR



## International Coffee Hour Connects Diverse Communities at FSU

Students, scholars, faculty, and staff meet most Fridays from 5–6 p.m. for International Coffee Hour in The Globe (GME Building) on Florida State University's main campus.

Each week the FSU community comes together to experience the featured culture and through conversation, music, dance or interactive activities, and it is the Center for Global Engagement's most popular program with an average weekly attendance of 250 attendees, over half of whom are U.S. students.

"I love Coffee Hour! I try to come here every time I can," said Dr. Jose L. Mendoza-Cortes, Assistant Professor, FAMU-FSU College of Engineering. "I love it because not only is the food delicious, but also you get to meet other people and explore the different points of view, and you just learn something new just by being here."

Registered Student Organizations (RSOs) and FSU departments can submit an application to co-host a Coffee Hour. Students can share their cultures through traditional snacks and beverages at no cost to the groups. They are encouraged to submit traditional recipes, can help prepare and serve the snacks, as well as share music, dance, cultural displays, and interactive activities to promote their culture.

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## Global Café Dominican Republic\*



**Friday, February 28**

**11:30 until food runs out | The Globe**

**Dining Room**

Enjoy a culturally enriching lunch hour eating authentic food, listening to music, and meeting students from the Dominican Student Association for just \$10 (cash or check only).

[Mark Your Calendar](#)

# International Student Employment Workshop



**Saturday, March 7**

**9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. | Globe Auditorium**

International students: register for this employment workshop featuring Immigration Attorney Kathleen Gasparian and presenters from the FSU Career Center to prepare to gain employment in the U.S. Check-in and a light breakfast will begin at 9:00 a.m.

**Register Now**

## Parasite Screening & Discussion Panel\*



**Tuesday, March 10**

**7–10 p.m. | ASLC**

Join us for a screening of this record-breaking Oscar winner followed by a discussion about South Korean media and filmmaking.

**Mark Your Calendar**

# Spring Info Sessions

**Global Citizenship Certificate Info Sessions** – (Starting 1/6) Mondays 11 a.m. & Thursdays 1 p.m. | The Globe Room 2300 | For more info, visit [cge.fsu.edu/globalcitizen](http://cge.fsu.edu/globalcitizen).

**Global Exchanges Info Sessions** – (Starting 1/15) Wednesdays 2 p.m. | Thursdays 12 p.m. | The Globe Room 2600 | For more info, visit [global.fsu.edu/exchanges](http://global.fsu.edu/exchanges).

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## Deadlines

**Global Citizenship Certificate Scholarship** – Wednesday, 4/1 | GCC students can apply for this scholarship to go on a [Global Exchange](#). | For more info and to apply, visit [cge.fsu.edu/gccscholarship](http://cge.fsu.edu/gccscholarship).

**Global Exchanges Application Deadline for Spring 2021** – Thursday, 10/1 | Note info session dates above. Visit [global.fsu.edu/exchanges](http://global.fsu.edu/exchanges) for more info and to apply. *\*Note some exchanges may have earlier deadlines*

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## Student Spotlight

**Alexander Alvarado**  
*International Affairs Major*

Alexander is enrolled in the [Global Citizenship Certificate](#) program, which helps undergraduate students develop invaluable skills and competencies needed to be a global-ready graduate through active learning and reflection.

Students take a total of four academic courses (*Global Perspectives* and three electives), attend eight intercultural events, and complete a sustained



international or intercultural experience. Alexander fulfilled his sustained experience as an intern with Blue Missions, a Non-Profit organization that is working to end the water and sanitation crisis in the Dominican Republic.

"I was tasked with facilitating cultural exchanges between local community members and high-school volunteers from the United States with the goal of bringing Clean Water or Sanitation to "Campos" around the western region of the country," Alexander said. "In less than a months' time, we worked together to develop 35 VIP Sanitation units and implemented sustainable Clean Water facilities for over 300 families in the Puerto Plata, and Dajabon region of the Dominican Republic. My experience in the Dominican Republic not only brought me closer to my Dominican Heritage, but it allowed me to work alongside at-risk populations in the Dominican Republic, young Global Citizens in the making, and the inspirational members of Blue Missions Group. My experiences within the GCC allowed me to engage my experience with an open mind."

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## More Upcoming CGE Events

**International Coffee Hour** – Every Friday (Starting 1/10) | 5–6:30 p.m. | The Globe Lounge & Dining Room\*

**English Conversation Club** – Monday–Friday (From 1/13–4/24) | 4–5 p.m. | The Globe Lounge | [For more info](#)

**International Night at Women's Basketball** – Thursday, 2/27 | Game: 7 p.m. | FSU's Civic Center (505 W. Pensacola) | Admission free for FSU students with ID | Attend to show support for our international student players!

**Global Partner Certificate Workshop – Bridging Cultures II: Cross-Cultural Encounters (with IES)** – Friday, 2/28 | 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. | The Globe Room 2400 | [Mark Your Calendar\\*](#)

**Global Café: Dominican Republic** – Friday, 2/28 | 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. | The Globe Dining Room | \$10 per plate (cash or check only) | [Mark Your Calendar\\*](#)

**International Student Workshop: Optional Practical Training (OPT) Workshop** – Multiple Dates: 2/28, 3/10, 4/14, 5/5 | Various Times | Globe 2300 | [Registration Required](#)

**International Students: Employment Workshop (Preparing to Gain Employment in the U.S.)** – Saturday, 3/7 | 9:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. | The Globe Auditorium | Registration required: [cge.fsu.edu/register](http://cge.fsu.edu/register)

**Parasite: Movie Screening & Discussion Panel** – Tuesday, 3/10 | 7–10 p.m. | ASLC | [Mark Your Calendar\\*](#)

**Global Café: Bangladesh** – Friday, 3/13 | 11:30 a.m. – 2 p.m. | The Globe Dining Room | \$10 per plate (cash or check only) | [Mark Your Calendar\\*](#)

**International Student & Scholar Spring Break Trip to St. Augustine** – Wednesday, 3/18 | 8 a.m. – 10 p.m. (includes travel time) | Cost: \$30 per person (includes cost of charter bus) | [Click for full trip details and to sign up by 2/27.](#)

**International Student Workshop: Optional Practical Training (OPT) Workshop** – Wednesday, 3/25 | Various Times | Globe 2400 | [Registration Required](#)

**CGE Game Nights** – Fridays: 3/27 & 4/17 | 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. | Globe Room 2400 | [Mark Your Calendar](#)

**Global Partner Certificate Workshop – Bridging Cultures III: Managing Intercultural Conflict** – Friday, 4/3 | 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. | The Globe Room 2400 | [Mark Your Calendar\\*](#)

**Global Café: Philippines** – Friday, 4/3 | 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. | The Globe Dining Room | \$10 per plate (cash or check only) | [Mark Your Calendar\\*](#)

**International Students: Curricular Practical Training (CPT) Workshop** – Friday, 4/3 | 1-2:30 p.m. | The Globe Room 2300 | To register, [click here.](#)

**Africa** – Wednesday, 4/15 | 7–8:30 p.m. | The Globe Auditorium | [Mark Your Calendar\\*](#)

**Global Partner Certificate Workshop – Bridging Cultures IV: Developing Global Competence and Lessons Learned** – Friday, 4/17 | 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. | The Globe Room 2400 | [Mark Your Calendar\\*](#)

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# FSU Global Events

For a full list of FSU's events with a global focus, [check out this full calendar of events](#) or visit [global.fsu.edu](http://global.fsu.edu).



\* 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](http://cge.fsu.edu/globalcitizen).*

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