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College of Communication and Information's
South Asian Media and Cultural Studies Conference

College of Social Sciences and Public Policy's
Anderson Ashby Lectureship in Public Policy Journalism

& The Center for Global Engagement's
Engage Your World Intercultural Dialogue Series present



Dr. Deb
Aikat

Media Platforms for Pride & Prejudice

Triumphs, Trials and Tribulations for Journalism
and Public Affairs in South Asia and Beyond

Thursday, February 4 | 8:45–10 am
Stream Live: bit.ly/SAMCS21

Stream the SAMCS 2021 Keynote on Thursday, February 4

Dr. Deb Aikat will speak about the triumphs, trials and hardships of journalism and public affairs in South Asia on Thursday, February 4, from 8:45 to 10 a.m. His talk will be live streamed on YouTube as the keynote address for the College of Communication and Information's 7th South Asian Media and Cultural Studies Conference (SAMCS).

With over one-fourth of the world's population, South Asia has emerged as an important region for politics, security, health, culture, media, and other relevant issues across the board. In the 21st century digital age, the people of South Asia blend media agendas to reinforce their own positions and close out opposing views. Aikat will highlight the impact of such agenda melding that explains how people mix media messages to create their worldview, often creating challenges for public affairs and journalism professions.

A former journalist and faculty at the Hussman School of Media and Journalism at UNC-Chapel Hill, Aikat is co-author of the 2019 book, [Agendamelding: News, Social Media, Audiences, and Civic Community](#) with Don Shaw, Milad Minooie, and Chris Vargo. In 2003, he received the "National Journalism Teacher of the Year" award by The Scripps Howard Foundation. In 2022-23, Aikat will serve as the President of the Association for Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, a premier scholarly organization. As a journalist, Aikat worked for the Ananda Bazar Patrika's The Telegraph and reported for the BBC World Service.

Aikat's keynote is the inaugural talk for the College of Communication and Information's 7th SAMCS Conference taking place February 4–6. This keynote is co-sponsored by the College of Social Sciences and Public Policy's Anderson Ashby Lectureship in Public Policy Journalism, and the Center for Global Engagement's Engage Your World Intercultural Dialogue Series. Visit the conference website below to access the live stream of this presentation and the rest of the conference presentations.

bit.ly/SAMCS21

CGE Student Spotlight

Moletedi O. Ntseme

International Student from
Botswana

*Master of Fine Arts, Theatre
Management*

Moletedi Ntseme, FSU graduate student from Botswana pursuing his Master of Fine Arts in Theatre Management, has developed skills through his program that he will employ in the future to diversify the economy in Botswana and help local artists achieve economic security.



Ntseme participated in the Graduate School's [Master's in Four Finalist Competition](#) in Spring 2020. He gave a four-minute speech about how he would like to use his research and degree to reduce the unemployment rate in Botswana and other African nations. Ntseme is creating a 16-page booklet called Guide to Arts Administration and plans to create multiple translations so artists in multiple countries can use it. He is in the process of doing a one-year research project and will spend three months in Botswana where he will train art organizations and introduce art administration practices to local artists. Ntseme hopes these efforts will reduce unemployment rates by using African artists' natural gifts to build up their economies.

"I am working behind the scenes on the managerial side of art to make sure that the artist on stage has a great environment to perform their art. Tied to this, I am doing research on how this managerial side of art can be used to help elevate art in Botswana from passion to profession," Ntseme said.

Ntseme was looking for a robust graduate program that would help him expand his leadership and communication skills. "I needed a program that would help develop my leadership skills while also educating me on arts management. After reading the Theatre Management program description, I knew it was exactly what I was looking for," Ntseme said.

As part of his assistantship, Ntseme serves as the Associate Marketing Director of the School of Theatre Marketing Office. During the first and second year in his program he served as Marketing Assistant then Marketing Communications Manager.

Over the past few years Ntseme has been at FSU he has grown immensely. “My program is designed to reflect what I may encounter in the real world after graduation. I get the opportunity to lead an office and exercise the leadership skills that I’ve learned in class,” Ntseme said. “By the time I graduate, I will have work experience that will help in my smooth transition from grad school to work life. The FSU community has also taught me about the different demographics that reflect what I will experience in my career path.”

[Read More](#)

Upcoming Programs & Deadlines

Global Exchanges Deadline



Monday, February 8

The deadline to apply for a fall 2021 or 2021-2022 academic year Global Exchange has been extended to February 8. Browse through 45+ international partner universities worldwide and apply online at [**globalexchanges.fsu.edu**](https://globalexchanges.fsu.edu).

[Apply Online](#)

Global Citizen Award Deadline

Global Citizen Awards

...Making a World of Difference

NOMINATIONS DEADLINE

February 22, 2021

Students may be nominated by
faculty, staff, or their peers.

cge.fsu.edu/gca

Monday, February 22

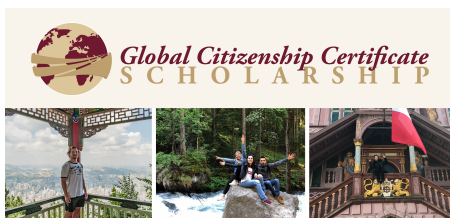
The Global Citizen Award honors outstanding students who have actively engaged in intercultural initiatives on campus or abroad and who have exemplified leadership in promoting and supporting a global community among Florida State University students.

Students can be nominated by faculty, staff, or their peers. Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- Exemplify leadership in fostering a global community at FSU
- Support diverse cultures on campus or in the community by contributing to a welcoming environment
- Be currently enrolled during the spring semester at FSU and in good academic standing

Make A Nomination

GCC Scholarship Deadline



\$1,000 Application Deadline
March 1st

Scholarship Applies toward a Fall 2021 Global Exchange

For application details and to apply:
cge.fsu.edu/globalcitizen

Monday, March 1

Global Citizenship Certificate students accepted to participate in a Global Exchange for Fall 2021 may apply for a \$1,000 scholarship. Students must have a 3.0 GPA or above.

Apply Now

Meditation Mondays

Meditation Mondays

12–12:30 pm

Every Monday

12–12:30 p.m. | Zoom

Join the CGE for a virtual 20-minute guided mediation. To join us, please sign up using the link below once to receive a weekly email with the Zoom link and login instructions.

Register for Zoom Link

Virtual International Coffee Hour*



Every Friday

5–6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Attend International Coffee Hour every Friday to learn about new cultures and how to make different dishes as CGE's Chef Jesse or representatives from Registered Student Organizations (RSOs) give us a live cooking demonstration. Then move into Zoom rooms to connect in conversation in smaller groups. To join us, please sign up using the link below once to receive a weekly email with the Zoom link and login instructions.

If you are interested in co-hosting as an international student and featuring your home country/culture during ICH this fall, you can submit a request [here](#).

[Register for Zoom Link](#)

Zoom-In Advising for International Students



**Monday – Friday
2–4 p.m. | Zoom**

Our Zoom-In Advising for International Students replaces our normal walk-in advising hours. No appointments are necessary. International Student Advisors are available for quick 5-10 minute questions between 2–4 p.m. Monday–Friday by clicking the link below! And as always, please remember to communicate with your advisor via email for any questions you have outside of these hours.

[Click Here](#)

Virtual English Conversation Club



**Monday – Friday | 4–5 p.m.
Tuesday & Thursday | 9–10 a.m.
*ECC will continue until Friday, April 16.***

Join us for English Conversation Club Monday – Friday from 4–5 p.m. or Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9–10 a.m. on Zoom. Virtual English Conversation Club offers you the opportunity to practice your conversational



English individually with a native English-speaking FSU student. Please sign up using the link below once to receive a daily email with the Zoom link and login instructions.

[Register for Zoom Link](#)

Connect Virtually with CGE*



Find information about all of the CGE's current virtual programs as well as other virtual intercultural learning opportunities and events at the link below.

cge.fsu.edu/connect

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.



* 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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