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MASTER'S IN FOUR 2021 WINNERS















International Students Among Graduate School's Master's in Four Winners

Guanxiong Qi, international student from China pursuing a master's degree in religion, won first place in the Graduate School's Master's in Four (Min4) Competition this spring. Additionally, Quishan Liu, international student from China concurrently pursuing a master's and a doctorate in the field of psychology, was awarded the People's Choice Award.

Graduate students have four minutes to present four slides and must clearly and simply explain their specialized research to a diverse audience. Judges assess the effectiveness of each presentation based on numerous criteria, such as the strength of the introduction, how evidencebased information is presented in an easily understandable format, and the overall quality of oral communication.

This year's first-place winner, Guanxiong Qi, presented 'How Buddhist Monasteries Became Tourist Destination in the 17th Century China," which you can view here.

"I feel really fortunate to participate and share my research in the Master's in Four competition, and I feel grateful for winning first place," Qi said. "I think the Grad School's Min4 Competition is a unique and precious platform for me to communicate with a general audience. Most of time academic studies tend to be exclusive, and one only has dialogue within one's disciplinary field. Participating in the Min4 enhanced my ability to convey my research to non-specialists in a short period of time, and it is my honor to be recognized in the contest."

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CGE Student Spotlight

Victoria Bell

Global Exchanges Student

Bachelor's in German Studies and Communication

Science & Disorders, Class of 2020

Victoria Bell, FSU alumna with a double major in German Studies and Communication Science & Disorders, completed her <u>Global Exchange</u> at the University of Oldenburg in Germany during the 2017–2018 academic year.

Bell says her experience in Germany sparked many new friendships. "Studying abroad in the Global Exchange program changed my life. At the



University of Oldenburg, I had the opportunity to interact with and befriend people from Germany as well as students in the Erasmus program. These friendships from around the globe–from Berlin to Perth, from Hong Kong to Istanbul, from Mumbai to Moscow–I have kept throughout the years since my enrollment in the program," she said.

While studying internationally, FSU students can truly invest in learning about other cultures and be exposed to new perspectives. "It's easy to forget the outside world when we only interact with people from similar backgrounds. I've listened to perspectives I didn't realize existed, rooted in histories I never understood before," Bell said.

Students can also broaden career opportunities or interests while on their exchange. Bell went on her Global Exchange as a junior in her undergraduate studies. Today, Bell is finishing her master's degree in Speech Language Pathology on a medical track at the University of Washington.

"This experience was absolutely and completely life-changing for me," she said. Bell was able to hike in the Harz mountain range, visit the beach in Holstein, attend arts shows, and participate in historical reenactments.

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Programs & Highlights

Meditation Monday



Every Monday (Until April 12) 12 – 12:30 p.m.

Join the Center for Global Engagement for a virtual 20-minute guided meditation. Sign up for the weekly Zoom link below.

NOTE: Meditation Monday will resume in the summer. In May and June Meditation Monday will be held twice a month on the first and third Monday of each month. In July Meditation Monday will be held on the second and fourth Monday of the month.

Register for Zoom Link

Virtual International Coffee Hour*

Friday, April 9 & Friday, April 16 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.

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. Tuesdays & Thursdays | 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

More Virtual Intercultural Events*



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.

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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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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.

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