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## CENTER FOR GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT Division of Student Affairs

# **Global Connections**

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## Congratulations to Our Graduating International Students

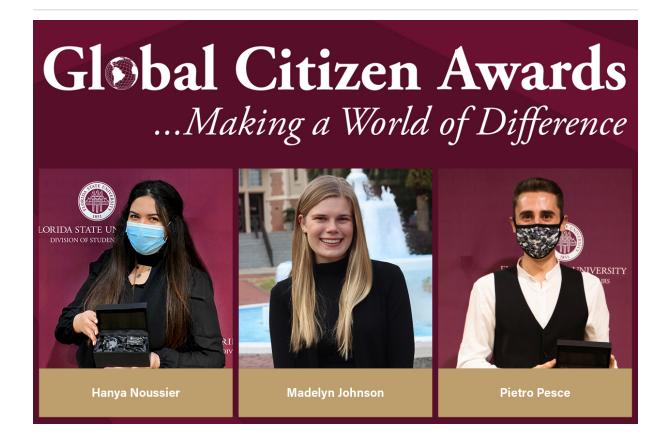
Please join us in congratulating all spring 2021 graduates, especially our 195 international students, of whom 80 earned bachelor's degrees, 77 earned master's and specialist's degrees, and 38 earned doctoral degrees.

International students make significant contributions to FSU by sharing their unique perspectives in and out of the classroom; striving for academic excellence as students, graduate assistants, and teaching assistants; and contributing to FSU's ranking as a top 20 public university.

We would like to thank our international students for being a part of our CGE family. Your presence here will be missed, and our staff wishes each of you the best as you go on to bigger and brighter adventures in your future career.

We would also like to thank our distinguished speakers from this graduating class for addressing their classmates: Alessandra Mazzocchi, international student from Italy graduating with her master's degree in digital humanities, and Ana de Faria, international student from Brazil graduating with her bachelor's degree in international affairs.

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## 2021 Global Citizen Award Recipients Foster Global Community

Hanya Noussier, Madelyn Johnson, and Pietro Pesce received the Center for Global Engagement's 2021 Global Citizen Award at <u>FSU's Leadership Awards Night</u> held on April 6.

These exemplary FSU students, nominated for this prestigious award by FSU faculty and staff, were selected out of a competitive pool of 23 nominees. Each has made significant contributions toward fostering global understanding on campus, in the community, and abroad.

Click to read more about each of them.

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## **CGE Staff Member Wins Student Employee of the Year**

Yang Li, CGE Graduate Assistant and international student from China pursuing a doctorate in higher education, received FSU's Tony DiBenedetto Student Employee of the Year Award in recognition of her outstanding contributions to the university.

The Tony DiBenedetto Student Employee of the Year Award is bestowed upon outstanding student employees who demonstrate strength, skill, and character while delivering exceptional customer service and going above and beyond the duties of their role. Each year one graduate and one undergraduate student are selected to win this prestigious award.

Li, who has served on the CGE's programming team for the past two years, was nominated by her colleagues for her leadership, creativity, and dedication.

CGE Programs Coordinator Laura Dean, Li's supervisor, praised her for helping the team adapt programming to best serve students during the pandemic as well as for being a driving force behind adapting the CGE's 2020 International Student Climate Survey to focus on pandemic-specific needs.

"Given Yang's background as an international student at FSU, she is keenly aware of creating an environment for others with genuine inclusivity and support in mind. She uses her own experience as a stepping stone for positively affecting those she serves and works alongside," Dean said. "I whole-heartedly believe she will continue to contribute in significant ways to the international education field and further advance FSU's diversity and inclusion values as she progresses in her Ph.D. program."

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### **Programs & Highlights**

#### **CGE Faculty Win FSU Ralph Star Prize in Innovative Education**



Dr. Elcin Haskollar and Dr. Tanu Kohli Bagwe, instructional specialist and teaching faculty in the Center for Global Engagement, are winners of the FSU Ralph Stair Prize in Innovative Education this year.

Dr. Haskollar and Dr. Kohli Bagwe set up a very successful Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) project by partnering with faculty members at Faculdade de Tecnologia de São Paulo, a Brazilian University, so students from their classes could interact with one another and develop deeper intercultural competencies and expand their worldview. The this successful project will continue incorporated into Global Perspectives classes, the Global Citizenship Certificate's required course, designed and implemented by the CGE. To learn more about COIL, click below.

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### FSU Shares 'Internationalization at Home' Efforts at FSU with International Educators



Dr. Stephen McDowell, FSU's Assistant Provost for International Initiatives and School of Communication Professor, and Center for Global Engagement Director Dr. Cynthia Green were selected to share a presentation for the 2021 Innovations in Internationalism at Home Conference, hosted by the University of Kent in collaboration with Universities UK International.

Watch the video presentation on YouTube at the link below. Dr. McDowell and Dr. Green will also serve on the panel as part of the synchronous conference on Apr 23.

Watch It Here

#### **Global Citizenship Certificate Graduation**

Thursday, April 22 12 p.m.

Join us in congratulating our new outstanding Global Citizenship Certificate graduates by viewing the asynchronous graduation ceremony at the link below.

Watch It Here



#### **Meditation Monday**



Mondays (Beginning on May 3) 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 16 5 – 6:30 p.m. | Zoom

Join us for the last Virtual International Coffee Hour Friday, April 16, to learn about Mali with International Student Advisor Jared Tirone and CGE's Chef Jesse. Today we will learn how to make delicious Masa pastries.

After the cooking demonstration, we will 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 for spring 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.

NOTE: From May 10 to July 30, ECC be held on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 4 – 5 p.m.

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#### **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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### **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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