THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA PRESENTS

WORLDFEST Days

April 6-15

Sponsored by: The Global Engagement Office, International Student Association, and the Pacific Islanders Club

Global Engagement

April 2022 Newsletter
Mark your calendars: April 6–15

Featured Events:

World Beats Dance Party

- This event will feature dance music curated by students from all over the world! Alcohol is available for purchase for attendees 21+. **When:** Friday, April 8, 8 PM – 12 AM. **Where:** University Center Ballroom

International Cooking Demonstrations

- **About:** International students from UM will demonstrate how to cook some of their favorite national dishes. **When:** Saturday, April 9, 11 AM – 3 PM. **Where:** Missoula Public Library

WorldFest Extravaganaza!

- **About:** This event will feature three hours of contemporary and traditional international performances, crafts and activity stations for children, join-in dance demonstrations, and various booths to learn more about international activity at UM including a fundraising booth to provide aid to Ukrainian refugees. **When:** Sunday, April 10, 1 PM – 4 PM. **Where:** University Center, Third Floor

WorldFest @ Rise + Rooted

- **About:** This event will feature student performances and activity booths plus international cuisine from UM Dining. **When:** Thursday, April 14, 4 PM – 7 PM. **Where:** Rise + Rooted (Lommasson Center)
Statement from the International Council

As members of the UM community, the International Council explicitly condemns systemic racism and oppression in all their forms and rejects all forms of discrimination and bias when they appear in our community. Educators serve not only as mentors and models but are also vested with power and leadership positions over students and should, by default, be held to higher standards. Recent headlines reminded us that racism and bias are widespread and that what we do outside UM still affects and reflects on this community.

The UM International Council asks that you join us in strongly denouncing racism, Islamophobia, and all forms of oppression; and in affirming that our community is one that welcomes and values people from all nationalities, races, religions, and identities. We stand with our members who are distressed, saddened, frightened, angry, and calling for change. We must identify meaningful solutions that address the challenges facing our students, faculty, and staff to enable every person to be heard, to feel and be safe, and to thrive. We support the work of the Diversity Advisory Council and the Office of Inclusive Excellence for Student Success to enhance diversity and champion inclusion at the University of Montana.

Signed,

UM International Council Members (Chair, Jennifer Bell, PT, ScD)
Education Abroad – Global Greening Initiative

The Global Engagement Office Staff and English Language Institute students participated in Tourism Ireland's Global Greening initiative by dressing green for St. Patrick’s Day. The Global Greening initiative’s goal is to get students interested in studying abroad in Ireland. A few lucky students will receive scholarship funds or other prizes for participating in the initiative!
EducationUSA Advisers

SIO and Executive Director of GEO, Donna Anderson, provided a training on Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) to 45 EducationUSA advisers from Europe, Eurasia, and West Africa as part of their Events and Outreach in a New Age Cross-Regional Workshop series (March 21-24).

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Internship Offer from Al Akhawayn University, Ifrane, Morocco. 2022–2023

Established in 1995, Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane (AUI) is a public American-style University based in Morocco and accredited by the New England Commission on Higher Education (NECHE).

The Presidential Internship Program (PiP) at Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane (AUI), established in 2016, provides recent graduates of US-type Liberal Arts colleges and universities outside Morocco with the opportunity to work in a university setting while learning about and experiencing the cultures and languages of Morocco. The Presidential Interns will bring their experience and insight to various units and thus contribute to the reinforcement of internationalization and the Liberal Arts system at AUI. Qualified graduates from all nationalities and cultural backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

With 13 available positions for 2022–2023, potential Presidential Interns have the opportunity to apply to the department(s) of their choosing, where they will be working for one academic year (10 months). The Program enables Interns to gain and further develop interpersonal and office-related skills that enrich the University and help prepare the Interns for next steps in their academic, professional, and personal lives.

Applications will be accepted until 15 April 2022 at http://www.aui.ma/auipip/

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Refugee Student Support Web Page

The Global Engagement team welcomes refugee students to campus and recognizes the value that refugee students bring to the campus community! Our team is committed to creating a safe space and a supportive and inclusive environment for every refugee student on campus. Please see our
Education Abroad Internship Opportunities

Our internships for Spring 2022 are open and on Handshake. These internships will have flexibility around start date, end date, and time off for vacations:

- Faculty-Directed Program Assistant
- Marketing and Communications Coordinator
- Education Abroad Peer Advisor

Apply Now!
Study Abroad
Deadlines can be found on our website [HERE](#).

Get started by [searching the 200+ universities available](#) to choose from or scheduling a ‘Getting Started’ appointment with the Education Abroad Coordinator.

**Summer deadlines are soon approaching.**

Spring 2023 study abroad applications are now open! Get Started by [visiting our website](#), or attend one of the [group advising sessions](#)! Priority deadline is May 20, 2022.

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**International Students and Scholars: A Month in Review**

This new series will provide a recap of some of our international student & scholar activities.

ISS and the International Student Association hosted a late February fun student social mixer in the UM Game Room, where over sixty international and domestic students enjoyed pizza, games, and friendship.

This March UM welcomed 5 new students from Japan to our English Language Institute (ELI). To help the students get settled and ready to jump into class, the International Students & Scholars (ISS) office and ELI staff hosted a small-scale new student orientation followed by a weekend shopping trip and tour around Missoula led by ISS Student Assistant, Marina Ferraris. Following orientation, International House Manager, Dorian Ugo organized a student trip to
the UM Percussion show where attendees had the opportunity to listen to UM’s very own music students perform.

International graduate students and visiting scholars had the opportunity to socialize over Spring Break with pizza and drinks during happy hour at Cranky Sam’s brewpub downtown. This was followed the next day by an international student & scholar trip to Jerry Johnson Hot Springs where attendees had the opportunity to hike and soak in beautiful natural pools! Wish to join ISS for future events? Email iss@umontana.edu!

Find more information about the event listed above and many other events; HERE.
Montana World Affairs Council

Are You Smarter Than a High Schooler?
Friday, April 29th
6:00pm

Find more information about the event listed above and other events HERE. Stay in the loop; sign up for the Montana World Affairs Council Newsletter.

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While summer is often used as a time to take a break from classes it can also be a time to get ahead, catch up or stay on track with your degree. This summer consider taking a course or courses. The University of Montana will offer nearly 800 distinct summer courses, available in-person, online or remote, so you are sure to find one, or more, that meet your interests and needs. This summer, UM's courses will be offered in one 10-week session or two 5-week sessions so it will be easy to plan and still have time to enjoy Montana in the summer. Register today at umt.edu/summer

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Peace Corps Strategic Campus Recruiter Position

The University of Montana-Missoula is currently accepting applications for a Peace Corps Strategic Campus Recruiter position. Applications will be accepted until filled.

The position is an excellent half time job for a graduate student, or someone interested in obtaining a certificate. Applicant must be enrolled in six credits and be a return volunteer.

View the Job Description
Featured Partner University:

Shanghai International Studies University

Shanghai International Studies University (SISU) was founded in December 1949 and in 1996, it became one of the nation’s “100 key universities for the 21st Century.” At present, SISU has a full-time enrollment of over 2,803 postgraduate students, 6,000 undergraduates, 800 college students, & 4,571 international students.

SISU offers English-taught undergraduate study areas in: Chinese Language, International Business & Trade, & Business Management. Chinese-taught undergraduate studies are also available in many subject areas including, but not limited to, International Politics, Education, and Modern Languages.

Shanghai is the largest city in China by population and the largest city in the world. Following rapid development over the last two decades, it has become a global city with influence in commerce, culture, finance, media, fashion, technology, and transportation. Located in the Yangtze River Delta in eastern China, Shanghai sits at the mouth of the Yangtze River in the middle portion of the Chinese coast. Shanghai is often seen as the birthplace of everything considered modern in China, like cinema, theater, and literature. The city also boasts several museums of regional and national importance. The Shanghai Museum of art and history has one of the best collections of Chinese historical artifacts in the world, including important archaeological finds since 1949.

Intrigued? Get connected.
Schedule an Appointment

Education Abroad
Learn more about studying abroad, or set up an advising appointment for application assistance, exchange paperwork, or more!
Set up an appointment HERE

Int’l Students and Scholars
Book an appointment with an ISS staff member if you have questions regarding your immigration status, OPT application, orientation, or general life at UM.
Set up an appointment HERE

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