



# December Newsletter

**ISS Delivers Stress-less Packages to International Students**



With growing numbers of COVID cases, a shorter semester schedule, and an intense election cycle, the International Students & Scholars office recognized that UM's international student and scholar population has been under intense stress. In response, the ISS staff led by Program Coordinator, Mona Mondava curated special 'Stress-less' packages to be delivered to international students across campus. The free packages contained lots of fun surprises including snacks, stress-reducing kits from Curry Health Center, self-care items, fun winter readiness items, and more. Packages are still available for socially distant pickup or delivery; please contact [iss@umontana.edu](mailto:iss@umontana.edu) to get yours today!

## **Need help with note taking? We've got your back.**

UM has two software packages, [Sonocent](#) and [Glean](#), to help you capture and organize lecture notes.

Sonocent is an audio note-taker software that makes it easy to capture everything on a topic in one workspace. It will allow you to:

- Edit and record lectures.
- Sync lecture audio to slides, diagrams, photos, written notes and reference materials.
- Read and notate accessible textbooks and PDFs.

Lectures can be recorded on a cell phone and easily transferred to PC or Mac.

Glean recordings are cloud-based and available across all computer platforms that can run on the Chrome browser, including Chromebooks. Glean can provide the majority of benefits of an audio notetaker but without the ability to read and notate accessible PDFs. Additionally, Glean has an iPhone and Android app allowing note taking and online access on smartphones and tablets.

\* Both software are available to students, faculty and staff.

## Virtual Exchange between Sophia University in Japan and the University of Montana



This fall, students from the University of Montana's School of Theater and Dance studied and collaborated with students from Sophia University's Liberal Arts program. Professors Alessia Carpoca (UM) and Noriko Murai (Sophia University) led the four-week course which examined the Western imagination

of Japan that arose in the modern period by tracing the evolution of the “Madama Butterfly” myth and by reflecting on its persistence to this day through exploration of two representative theatrical productions: *Madama Butterfly*, the early 20th-century Italian opera by Puccini, and *M. Butterfly*, a late 20th-century Broadway play that critically reflects on the Butterfly myth from an Asian American perspective.

Students from UM’s Costume Design class and Sophia University’s Art History class met on Zoom on Wednesday evenings for discussions and lectures and then collaborated in small groups to create a mood board displaying their vision for costumes from either *Madama Butterfly* or *M. Butterfly*. Students from both universities said that the COIL course was fun, and in the words of one student, “It was really fun to collaborate with UM. Since I was very disappointed by the cancellation of my exchange program this year, I was so happy to have such a very globalized course. I wish we could have more classes! Thank you so much for such a very interesting class!”

## Wildlife movements warn of climate change



Mark Hebblewhite, a researcher at the University of Montana and more than 150 fellow researchers from numerous nations compiled animal movement patterns over decades to chart the impacts of climate change on wildlife.

Stephen Lewis sees a golden eagle flying over Mount Sentinel and feels the whole Arctic Circle exhale. That eagle might be one he radio-collared while working in Alaska’s Denali National Park. The collar traces the bird’s migration path between the Arctic and the Lower 48 states. That trace entwines with

about 50 other eagles the wildlife biologist has collared for his U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service study. And that study now joins hundreds of other research projects from around the planet in a new Arctic Animal Movement Archive. When all those radio-collared eagles, caribou, whales, wolves and other critters get their travels animated on a computer map, it looks like the whole Northern Hemisphere is breathing in and out.

“I have a couple hundred-thousands of location points for eagles,” said Lewis, who’s working on a doctorate degree at the University of Montana. “With the archive, we have millions of locations. Now you can ask these larger-scale questions and see bigger-scale changes. Over generations of eagles, that really leverages what you can do.”

The [Arctic Animal Movement Archive](#) project has 160 co-authors, including Lewis. At the bottom of the list is UM wildlife biologist Mark Hebblewhite.

The Missoulian newspaper has a great article about Lewis & Hebblewhite research. You can read the full article clicking in the button below.

[Click here to read the full article](#)

## Department of Educational Leadership Goes Global

Since the summer of 2015, the Department of Educational Leadership has hosted Chinese professors from across China who are associated with the International Scholarly Exchange Curriculum Program (ISEC), which is affiliated with the China Scholarship Council.

These visiting professors spend three weeks at UM partaking in seminars related to pedagogy, assessment and critical thinking. During the summer of 2020, the program was put on hold due to the global pandemic.

ISEC conferences occur periodically in China, and professors from the College of Education have travelled to China to do keynote presentations at these events. Drs. Bill McCaw, Patty Kero, Dan Lee, John Matt, Dean Adrea Lawrence and Associate Provost Nathan Lindsay have presented keynote lectures in Chinese cities from Changchun and Siping to Chengdu and Dezhou and many places in between.

As the relationship between UM and ISEC expanded, an agreement was developed to run a doctoral cohort of ISEC professors who would seek a Ph.D. in international educational leadership. This cohort was to begin in summer 2020, but it was not feasible given travel and visa restrictions. However, the Chinese Ministry of Education now has approved this cohort to begin through remote instruction.

There are now 26 ISEC professors going through the admissions process to

begin their doctoral studies remotely beginning spring semester 2021. These endeavors are brought forth to foster the Universal Design Team's principles of Impact, Innovation and, more directly, Internationalization.

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# INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITY

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**Education Abroad is accepting  
applications for Spring 2021:**

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[Marketing and Media Internship](#)

[Course Facilitator/Teaching Assistant Internship](#)

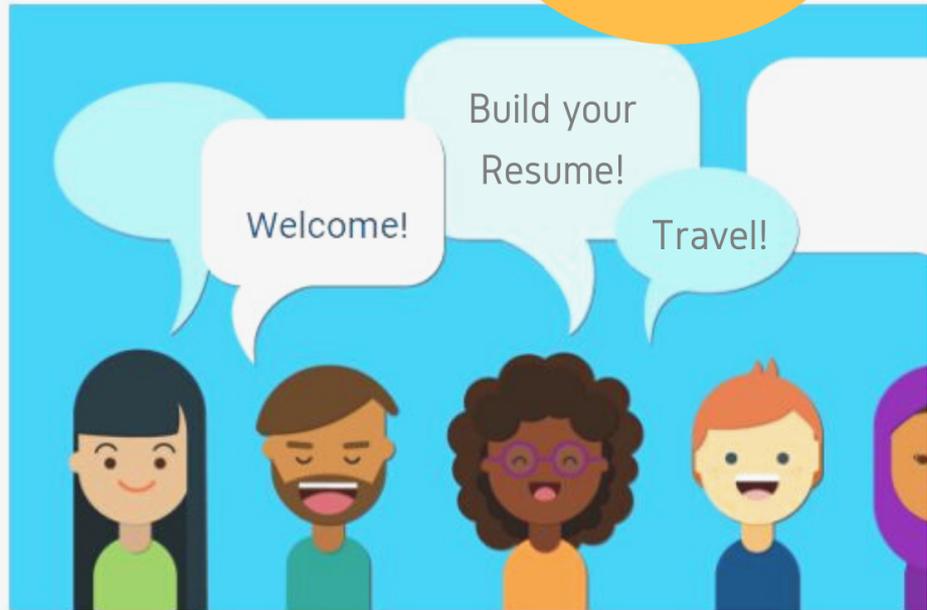
[International Partnerships Assistant Internship](#)

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# TESOL CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

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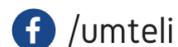


- 100 instructional hours focusing on language and culture, methodology, instruction and assessment, and job placement.
- 20-hour practicum providing practical experience through observation and instruction.
- Instruction starts January 27, 2021.

Taught by Sara Schroeder, MA Linguistics,  
from UM's English Language Institute

Interested?

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EVENTS | Mansfield Dialogues

## Promoting Dialogue

### Mansfield Dialogues

### Fall 2020 Lecture Series

Bringing community together to discuss critical issues in international engagement & ethics in public affairs.

#### Ober Calendar:

- **Wednesday, December 2** - Montana Legislative Session Preview
- **Thursday, December 10** - Post-Election: Challenges for U.S. Foreign Policy and NATO
- **Wednesday, December 16** - Cold War Imperialism: U.S.-Backed Anticommunism Movements and The Jakarta Method

7:00 PM via Zoom | Co-Sponsored by The Project on American Democracy and Citizenship

[Register here](#)



First-semester Pathway student, **Yeon Joo Kim** from South Korea is planning to major in art here at UM. She took a drawing class this semester and created some amazing work. Here is one example of her drawing skills. Keep your eye out for more artwork from Yeon Joo in the future!



## **Featured Partner University with the University of Montana:**

### **Universidad de Montevideo, Uruguay**

**By Aline Guy**

With a rich cultural diversity, Montevideo attracts tourists and students who are interested in learning a little more about this small country located in South America.

The versatility of Montevideo is one of its great attractions. In addition to the beaches and botanical gardens which give the city a great atmosphere and casualness, Montevideo is also rich in its architecture. In the city center it is possible to find many buildings ranging from colonial to contemporary and art deco. For soccer enthusiasts, Montevideo has a stadium that is open to visitors and has a museum that tells the history of soccer. For those interested in cooking, Uruguayan food has a varied and delicious menu. One of the most traditional dishes is the famous "parrilladas," which are part of a very tasty grilled dish.

The Universidad de Montevideo offers great assistance to international students and promotes student participation in various extra-curricular activities such as music, theater, dance, cinema, and fashion. The language requirement is two years of college-level Spanish prior to exchange. The Universidad de Montevideo offers Majors & Minors in: Accounting, Business Administration, Communication Studies, Economics, Education, Film Studies,

Finance, International Business, Journalism, Latin American Studies, Law, Linguistics, Management, Marketing, Music, Psychology, and Theatre.

One fun fact is that the Universidad de Montevideo is also called UM. So, why not choose the UM of South America for your time studying abroad? For more information visit the University's [website](#).

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