May Newsletter

The 2021 Humphrey Fellows Have Arrived!
We are pleased to be able to host a group of 15 Humphrey Fellows this summer.

For more information on the Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program click here.

CONGRATULATIONS KELLI ROGERS!

Kelli has been selected to receive the 2021 National Security Education Program (NSEP) David L. Boren Fellowship.

Kelli is pursuing her M.S. in International Conservation and Development

More information on the Boren Awards can be found at

https://www.borenawards.org/

Davidson Honors College
AMIGOS: UM FRIENDS LAND FULBRIGHT FELLOWSHIPS IN SPAIN

Noah Grabe and Taylor Gregory met on the second floor of Knowles Hall at the University of Montana their freshman year.

They made a connection over a shared passion for the outdoors, international diplomacy and an interest in the humanities. Both had enrolled in UM’s Davidson Honors College.

Fast forward four years, with a global pandemic in between, and the two friends are preparing to embark on an adventure they never imagined: serving for eight months as Fulbright Fellows in Madrid through the Fulbright English Teaching Assistant Program beginning in September 2021.
Congrats Graduates!

Erika Byrne and Noah Grabe

We can’t wait to see where in the world UM takes you!

Student Spotlight

Tyler Wilde: Software and Database Intern

One of the big take-aways from my time as a GEO intern is that that office doesn’t stop. With two main people, Marja and McKennah, they work really hard to maintain this program and each semester there is a lot on their plate and interns are very useful to them. This year was different from others given COVID and quarantine. All of our normal engagement events that we do in person had to be designed virtually. As their software and database intern, these events relied heavily on my computer skills and importance of deadlines. Having a team that shares the same goals helped make all the events successful. This internship showed me the importance of dedication and teamwork to make that dream work. This is a great program to be a part of. I knew nothing about studying abroad nor did I want anything to do with Study Abroad and now, I’m spending a semester in Ireland next Fall, at University College Cork.

As a non-traditional, first generation, African American student that grew up in a small town in Montana, I’m nervous about experience life away from my home for an entire semester which also makes this next chapter in my life very exciting. It’s good to see all this hard work, dedication, time and money paying off to exploring new areas of life.

Tyler, GEO thanks you for all of your hard work over this past year. We are excited to see you take this opportunity to study in Ireland.
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Forum on Indigenous Issues

WHEN: MAY 11, 2021, 6-7PM MST

ACCESSSED THROUGH THIS ONLINE ZOOM LINK

Speaker: Aqqaluk Lynge: Author, MP, former Chair of the Inuit Circumpolar Council, and expert member at the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues.

For more info, visit the Montana World Affairs Council Facebook page or https://www.montanaworldaffairs.org/
MANSFIELD CENTER EVENT CALENDAR

Strategic Empathy: The Key to America's Failed North Korea Policy
Wednesday, May 12 at 7 MST | online

Description
Retired U.S. Air Force Korea intelligence professional and Mansfield Fellow Robert E. McCoy will discuss his assessment that a lack of strategic empathy in Washington is key to the bipartisan failures of U.S. policy toward North Korea. Like it or not, the way forward does not allow for denuclearization. The dialogue will be moderated by Mansfield Senior Fellow Steven I. Levine, who taught Chinese history and politics at UM and elsewhere during his fifty-year academic career.

Robert E. McCoy writes and speaks on geopolitical events and international affairs in East Asia, particularly North Korea and its relations with other players in the region. During a twenty-year career in the U.S. Air Force as an intelligence professional, he lived in East Asia for more than fourteen years. Subsequently, he has published over 150 political analyses and commentaries in various journals focusing on Asia. He has been interviewed by American and overseas news outlets for his views on regional affairs, and his analyses on North Korea have been officially cited by foreign governments.
**Steven I. Levine** writes and lectures on Chinese history and politics and U.S.-China relations. During a forty-year teaching career, he taught, inter alia, at American University, Columbia University, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill as well as the University of Montana. He has written, co-authored, edited, and translated (from Chinese and Russian) some dozen books in his fields of interest as well as published scores of journal articles, book chapters, and review essays.

**Do you know about the TESOL certificate?**
Students at the University of Montana and the wider community have the opportunity to earn a certificate in teaching English as a foreign language. The Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) certificate course is supported by English Language Institute of the Global Engagement Office. Students can register for this course through the University of Montana’s School of Lifelong Learning (SELL). The course takes place on the online learning platform Moodle, while observation and practicum opportunities are available to students in-person and/or virtually. Earning a TESOL certificate qualifies English-speakers (native and non-native) to teach English-learners abroad or in the United States.

TESOL students at UM have several opportunities to put their skills into practice in the community and virtually to fulfill the course’s practicum requirement. Virtual and in-person conversation partners are made available through conversation partners (virtual) and Humphrey Fellows (April/May).

Through 12-14 weeks of online instruction (120 hours: broken down into 100 instructional hours and 20 practicum hours) students learn a myriad of skills such as: teaching theories and methods; English pronunciation, words, and meanings; how to teach reading, listening, speaking, and writing; how to create a supportive classroom environment; materials, curriculum, and lesson planning and design. At the end of the course there is an evaluation and assessment week for reflecting and identifying goals as a TESOL professional.

Currently (Spring 2021) there are two TESOL interns, Kylie Stokes and Camryn Vaughn, who are getting credit at UM for their hours spent working on the TESOL certificate course.

Kylie is a graduating Senior pursuing a degree in Anthropology with a concentration in Linguistics. Alongside the TESOL certification, Kylie also received a Peace Corp Preparatory certification from UM. After graduation, she hopes to make a career of traveling abroad and being a positive force in the lives of others.

Camryn will complete her political science and Russian studies majors in the fall of 2021. Having previously studied abroad in Austria and Kyrgyzstan, she is looking forward to the opportunities a TESOL certificate will provide to live and work abroad while sharing language and culture.

If you are interested in learning more about the TESOL certificate program please contact Sara Schroeder (sara.schroeder@mso.umt.edu).
Education Abroad is accepting applications for Summer 2021:

Our internships for summer are open and now on Handshake. These summer internships will be virtual, and there will be flexibility around start date, end date, and time off for vacations:

- Faculty-Directed Programs Internship
- Marketing and Communications Coordinator Internship
- Terra Dotta Software & Database Internship
- International Partnerships Assistant Internship

Study Abroad Applications

Spring 2022 study abroad applications are now open! Students can get started by checking out our programs [here](#) or by [setting up an advising appointment](#) with the Education Abroad Coordinator. The priority deadline will be Friday, May 14th, 2021.
In case you missed the Study Abroad Fair

Click on the button below to access the recordings of each event. You can also find the recordings on the EA Facebook page, as well!

Click here

Featured Partner University with the University of Montana:

"Lucian Blaga" University of Sibiu, Romania

By Carissa Luginbill

Interested in studying abroad? Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu offers a wide range of subjects, from foreign languages to engineering sciences, and from economics to medical science. With a large student body of 20,000 there is a lot more than just classes to offer. There are plenty of opportunities through
Student Life to attend organized trips, parties, intercultural events, and traditional Romanian events during the whole semester.

Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu, is in the center of Romania, thick with culture and tradition. With its mountains, hilly territories, lake complexes, Danube Delta and seashore, Romania is beautiful geographically diversified place. In 2007, the city of Sibiu was chosen as the European capital of culture and nominated by Forbes as one of the most idyllic places to live.

Close to the University of Sibiu are fortified citadels and churches from Transylvania, the Danube Delta, and the Black Sea. The Danube Delta is part of UNESCO World Heritage, with over 300 species of birds and 45 kinds of fish. Meanwhile the Black Sea stretches 153 miles with beautifully soft sand and gently sloping beaches.

For more information visit the University’s website.

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