2021 PHI BETA DELTA

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

35th Annual International Conference
Online Web Conference
Monday-Tuesday: May 24-25, 2021
Moving Forward: The Future of Collaboration in Our Diverse World

Call for Abstracts for Online Paper, Session, & Poster Presentations
Submission Deadlines

- Paper and session proposals (500-750 words): March 19th, 5 p.m. PST
- Poster abstracts (300-500 words): March 19th, 5 p.m. PST

Registration (Fees in US Dollars) Individual Chapter Deadline
Early Bird $60 $350 April 9, 2021
Regular $75 $375 May 24, 2021

Please see below for details regarding the 35nd Annual PBD Conference. We look forward to gathering online to connect with our members via the 2021 web conference.

Conference Date/Time:

The Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars is pleased to announce that the 2021 PBD Conference will be offered via Zoom on Monday -
Tuesday: May 24th and May 25, 2021 during the following time blocks:

- Pacific: 8:00 AM– 2:00 PM
- Mountain: 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM
- Central: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
- Eastern: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Conference Online Access/Viewing:

PBD members are invited to register for the conference and attend the complete conference or specific segments of interest, as convenient. Please contact your PBD Chapter Coordinator for details about a campus viewing, or refer to the email shared by PBD headquarters for individual login instructions.

MENTORING PROGRAM

Phi Beta Delta is pleased to announce that our 2020-2021 PBD Learning Community (mentoring program) has been successfully launched. If you are interested in the mentoring program, please contact Itzel Olguin itzelolguin1@gmail.com

PHI BETA DELTA
TESTIMONIAL SPOTLIGHT
Shital Joshi

I am Shital Joshi an international student from India and I am forever grateful to PBD for the many things they have offered to students like me. Phi Beta Delta has great opportunities and programs which are not only limited for the international students but also welcomes local students and community members who have international experiences. This honor society has a unique component in the annual conferences where people of different ages from all around the world get together to share their research work and knowledge. The scholarships to international students in need is like a boon from the society. PBD provides a platform to connect members of one state/school to members of another state/school and to share the expertise resources, and values. I really encourage international students to be part of it and make connections. Believe me, the way this society takes care of you will surely make you feel like it is your home away from home!

CHAPTER NEWS
Alpha Tau
University of Iowa
Yashwant Prakash Vyas (Assistant Director, Diversity Resources) proposed and led the efforts to reactivate the Alpha Tau Chapter at the University of Iowa in Spring 2020 after a long gap of inactivity. The chapter was reactivated as a partnership between the Division of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion and the Office of International Programs. The Chapter held its first membership drive in Spring 2020 but had to postpone the initiation ceremony due to COVID. The second membership drive was held in Fall 2020 with a successful virtual initiation ceremony during which 128 new faculty, staff and student members were initiated into the society. The Alpha Tau Chapter Leadership Board, for the term of February 2020 to May 2021, include: Yashwant Prakash Vyas, MPA (President & Chapter Coordinator), Pauline Beazer James, MA, Med (Treasurer), Andrea Siebenmann, MS (Programming Chair), Kristine Djerf, MBA (Marketing Chair), Jodi M. Graff, MA (Vice President).

You can view the recording of the virtual initiation ceremony HERE.
Registration open and accepting proposals for 2021 International Perspectives on University Teaching and Learning Symposium

AUBURN, Ala. – The Auburn University Office of International Programs will host the third International Perspectives on University Teaching and Learning Symposium June 2-4, 2021 at Disney’s Grand Floridian Resort and Spa in Orlando, Florida, a fitting international location for the 2021 ‘Geared for Global’ theme. IPUTL 2021 is also offering a discounted online option for those who cannot or do not wish to attend in person. Using an intimate and dynamic environment, the symposium encourages the collaboration of a diverse collection of global thinkers who are geared toward creating and sustaining an internationalized campus culture across higher education institutions.

Proposals for conversation starter essays, pre-conference workshops and concurrent sessions should be submitted to the symposium website (www.auburn.edu/international/iputl) by April 1. Also, there is a call for proposals for a special edition of Wiley Publishing's journal “New Directions for Teaching and Learning” that can be submitted to the website until April 1 as well. The journal will be a companion to the symposium, and it is expected that some presentations at the symposium will be selected for publication in addition to those selected through website submission. The special volume will present international perspectives on critical issues impacting teaching and learning in a diverse range of higher education environments. Desired proposal topics include international collaborations in teaching and learning, global innovations in teaching, the multicultural classroom, creative uses of technology, internationalizing the curriculum and other relevant subjects geared toward internationalization.

Early-bird in-person registration is $650 until April 1, after which the price increases to $700. Online registration is $250 now until the close of registration on May 14. Also, if there is a change of plans and an in-person registrant wishes to switch to the online option, a refund totaling the cost difference will be provided up until May 14. In-person registration includes all workshops; the opening dinner and reception at Epcot; all symposium sessions and breakfast; lunch and break snacks on June 3-4. The online option covers the cost of technology to provide the same symposium experiences virtually, without the cost of food.

Lastly, the hotel is offering steeply discounted rates for in-person symposium attendees, which can be accessed here (https://www.mydisneygroup.com/auburnuniversitysymposium2021/places-to-stay#Disneys-Grand-Floridian-Resort--Spa). Masks will be required at all times for in-person attendees. Physical distancing and enhanced cleaning protocols will also be in place to create the safest possible environment. Review the full description of Disney’s policies here (https://disneyworld.disney.go.com/experience-updates/).

To submit a proposal and register for the symposium, please visit the website (www.auburn.edu/international/iputl). For questions or to be added to the e-newsletter contact list, email iputl@auburn.edu.
Zeta Gamma Chapter
Northern Illinois University

The Zeta Gamma Chapter of Northern Illinois University welcomed 13 new members at its virtual annual induction ceremony in Fall 2020.

Eta Epsilon Chapter
Western Illinois University

The Eta Epsilon Chapter at Western Illinois inducted ten new members including Interim President, Martin Abraham as an honorary member, and the group's first father/son inductees.

The Induction Ceremony was held on November 9th via Zoom and the group socialized after by talking about their favorite travels.
Eta Lambda Chapter
College of Staten Island/The City University of New York

The Eta Lambda Chapter at the College of Staten Island/The City University of New York enjoyed a lecture by a Diplomat-in-Residence, Danielle Harms, during International Education Week 2020.

Congratulations to Dean L. Balsamini, a member of the Eta Lambda Chapter, for receiving the prestigious Louis R. Miller Leadership Award!

Here are some of the exciting events that Eta Lambda members were able to participate in this past fall.
**Monday, November 16**

**Student Panel Discussion: Global Ambassador Program**

4:30pm - 5:20pm

Zoom link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82614492478?pwd=VWlyYjUyZyt1LHd1dHl1CmRxczQ1QT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82614492478?pwd=VWlyYjUyZyt1LHd1dHl1CmRxczQ1QT09)

+1 925 205 6099 US (New York)/ Meeting ID: 826 1449 2478

Come learn about how to become a global ambassador and what are the benefits.

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**Tuesday, November 17**

**Presentation: Research Now and Post-Pandemic**

2:30pm - 3:20pm

Zoom link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/99318448597?pwd=aULsNFFydG5JIjZUeHl3ZjFtZ2hhQ2Y9](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/99318448597?pwd=aULsNFFydG5JIjZUeHl3ZjFtZ2hhQ2Y9)

+1.914.205.6099 US (New York)/ Meeting ID: 993 1848 5997

Dr. Willma Jones, Professor and Reference/Instruction Librarian will share her expertise on how to effectively conduct your research during this unusual year.

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**Workshop: General Study Abroad**

2:30pm - 3:20pm

Zoom links: [https://zoom.us/j/91765079539](https://zoom.us/j/91765079539)

Have you ever wanted to study abroad? Come learn about how, why, where, when and get all your questions answered.

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**Wednesday, November 18**

**Presentation: World on Wednesday Lecture Series**

Career Opportunities and Student Programs in the Department of State

12:20pm - 1:30pm

Zoom link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/99318448597?pwd=aULsNFFydG5JIjZUeHl3ZjFtZ2hhQ2Y9](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/99318448597?pwd=aULsNFFydG5JIjZUeHl3ZjFtZ2hhQ2Y9)

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Danielle Harris, CUNY Diplomat-in-Residence at City College of New York, will discuss the challenges and rewards of a career in the Foreign Service. She will also speak with students about State Department career opportunities including careers, fellowships and internships. [http://careercounseling.state.gov](http://careercounseling.state.gov)

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**Live Performance: Celebrate Diwali (The Festival of Light) with Us**

3:30pm - 5:30pm

Please register in advance for this program.

Zoom link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/99318448597?pwd=aULsNFFydG5JIjZUeHl3ZjFtZ2hhQ2Y9](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/99318448597?pwd=aULsNFFydG5JIjZUeHl3ZjFtZ2hhQ2Y9)

Let’s celebrate the Diwali holiday virtually with the College of Staten Island. We will have a live dance performance, cooking presentation, Henna and candle making workshop. Diwali symbolizes the spiritual ‘victory of light over darkness, good over evil, and knowledge over ignorance’.

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**Thursday, November 19**

**Workshop: Optional Practical Training (OPT)**

2:30pm - 4:00pm

Zoom link: [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/99318448597?pwd=aULsNFFydG5JIjZUeHl3ZjFtZ2hhQ2Y9](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/99318448597?pwd=aULsNFFydG5JIjZUeHl3ZjFtZ2hhQ2Y9)

Meeting ID: 993 1848 5997

This workshop covers topics for students preparing to apply for Optional Practical Training, including eligibility criteria and timing of application, considerations for travel and employment, and tips for preparing and mailing the OPT application.

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**Week of November 16 Through 19**

Monday through Thursday, 11:00am - 1:30pm

Facebook Live: @EnglishNewYork

**Social Program: English Language Institute Culture Day**

Students will talk about tourist attractions, holidays, costumes, and more about their countries.

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**Week of November 16 Through 20**

**International Film Series**

This film series is sponsored by the Department of Library. Email us at library@csi.cuny.edu or if you need a CLUE and you MUST include a 150 word reflection of the film and your CLUE ID. Please use your CLUE username and password to access the streaming film.

1. **One Day on Earth, 2013**
   - [http://www.findingfilmform.us/nyc/library.csicuny.edu/product/one-day-earth/](http://www.findingfilmform.us/nyc/library.csicuny.edu/product/one-day-earth/)
2. **Vienna's Lost Daughters, 2007**
3. **Five Days to Dance, 2014**
   - [https://www.findingfilmform.us/nyc/library.csicuny.edu/product/five-days-dance/](https://www.findingfilmform.us/nyc/library.csicuny.edu/product/five-days-dance/)
4. **The Price of Free, 2018**
   - [https://www.findingfilmform.us/nyc/library.csicuny.edu/product/the-price-of-free/](https://www.findingfilmform.us/nyc/library.csicuny.edu/product/the-price-of-free/)

**International Education Week (IEW), November 16-20**, is an opportunity to celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. This joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education is part of our efforts to promote programs that prepare Americans for a global environment and attract future leaders from abroad to study, learn, and exchange experiences in the United States. [www.iew2020.org](http://www.iew2020.org)
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1. One Day on Earth, 2012 https://www.filmstreaming.net.proxy.library.csi.cuny.edu/product/one-day-earth/
3. Five Days to Dance, 2014 https://www.filmstreaming.net.proxy.library.csi.cuny.edu/product/five-days-dance/
Even though the COVID-19 pandemic altered the Phi Beta Delta programming at UNC Charlotte, the MU Chapter of UNC Charlotte found virtual ways to regularly meet. Here are highlights of our fall semester:

- The MU Chapter Executive Board was thrilled to welcome Ms. Loren Caldwell (pictured below) to the MU Chapter Executive Board as the new Student Vice-President of the MU Chapter. Loren embodies what it means to be an international scholar as a double major in Spanish and International Studies, Concentration in Peace, Conflict & Identity. She is also minoring in Women and Gender Studies. She participated in a study abroad semester at the Universidad de Cantabria in Santander, Spain.
For the past year, we have worked on updating the MU Chapter By-Laws document. In October, we received approval for the updated By-Laws by the UNC Charlotte Office of International Programs.

In October, the MU Chapter Executive Board also hosted a “Meeting of the Minds” with past presidents and leaders in the MU Chapter of PBD. The purpose of this meeting was to brainstorm about recruitment and future directions, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic.

International Education Week ([https://global.uncc.edu/signature-programs/international-education-week](https://global.uncc.edu/signature-programs/international-education-week)) featured a number of presentations by PBD members who presented on a variety of topics.

- Dr. Erik Byker presented on TedXCraver Road: Countdown to Sustainable Development Goals
- Dr. Joseph Hoff and Dr. Adriana Medina presented on “Globally Networked Learning: What it is and How to do it”
- Dr. Kaus Sarkavi conducted a virtual dance performance that included Indian dance, martial arts and somatic practices.

The PBD MU Chapter Induction Ceremony pivoted to an online induction. The MU chapter inducted:

- 11 new student members
- 3 new faculty members
- And had 26 returning active members

Dr. Erik Byker discussed his presentation on TedXCraver Road: Countdown to Sustainable Development Goals
TedXCraverRoad Countdown: To help kick-off International Education Week at UNC Charlotte, members of the MU Chapter helped to organize, lead, and present at the TedXCraverRoad Countdown event,
which was sponsored by UNC Charlotte’s Chancellor’s Diversity Grant and the Office of International Programs. The TedXCraverRoad Countdown featured a program of 20 Ted talks from international speakers and UNC Charlotte faculty, students, and alum. The focus of the TedXCraverRoad Countdown was the United Nations’ 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in relation to taking action on climate change as global citizens.

- Dr. Kaustavi Sarkar presented a virtual performance of *Jugalbandi*, which is a call and response between music and dance. The musical piece in Hindustani classical genre is danced as an invocation prayer in the eastern Indian classical form of Odissi.
Globally Networked Learning COIL class (see below for write up and image): Dr. Adriana Medina, the Secretary of the MU Chapter’s Executive Board, organized a Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL) class with Reading and Elementary Education Master’s students at UNC Charlotte and with students in Frau Carolin Hestler’s history education course at the Pädagogische Hochschule Ludwigsburg in Germany. The students presented their projects at a virtual COIL Mini-Conference. The topics of the COIL Mini-conference included the rise of political & social extremism and terrorism in the US and Europe within the last 30 years. The projects examined:

- Right-wing extremism
- SLAM: Real People Real Issues
- The Racist Language Usage in Society Against African American’s from the 1950’s to 2000’s
- The History of German Immigration to the US
- Illegal immigration in Germany and the United States: Immigration Laws and Regulations
- Refugees and Higher Education: United States and Turkey
- Global Challenges Then and Now - the Social Issues Relating to Refugees
- Global Family Planning Perspectives: Exploring family planning in Germany and the United States
- Plastic Usage

This February, MU Chapter members will present at the Great Decisions Series at UNC Charlotte. Great Decisions is a national
program of the Foreign Policy Association (FPA). In North Carolina, the Office of International Programs at UNC Charlotte is the state coordinator. Great Decisions is the largest non-partisan citizen education effort of its kind and has provided quality information and tools for over fifty years.

- Dr. Dale Smith, PBD member, will present on “The End of Globalization?” as part of UNC Charlotte’s Great Decisions lecture series.
- Dr. Michael Thompson, PBD member, will present on "The World Health Organization’s Role in a Global Pandemic" as part of UNC Charlotte’s Great Decisions lecture series.
- Great Decisions website: [https://global.uncc.edu/signature-programs/great-decisions](https://global.uncc.edu/signature-programs/great-decisions)

- Also, this February, MU Chapter members, Drs. Erik Jon Byker, Mike Putman, Adriana Medina, and Joe Hoff, will be leading a workshop series called “Mining a Global Learning Ecosystem to Support Intercultural Development” at the virtual Workshop on Intercultural Skills Enhancement Conference (WISE) hosted by Wake Forest University.

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**INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH AND REVIEW**

**Call for Journal Papers**

Scholars and researchers from across disciplines are invited to address issues in international education and studies. Papers are welcome on topics that can include, but are not limited to, our understanding of international studies, education, internationalization, globalization, teaching and learning in the context of international educational exchange and, within the university classroom, issues regarding curricular development, and other related topics. We welcome critical, qualitative, quantitative, and social scientific perspectives. For more information and guidelines visit:

[http://www.phibetadelta.org/internationalResearch.php](http://www.phibetadelta.org/internationalResearch.php)

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