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## 2020 PHI BETA DELTA INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

**34th Annual International Conference**

Thursday-Friday: May 14-15, 2020

Online Web Conference

*International Education in Our Changing World*

**Registration (Fees in US Dollars) Individual Chapter    Deadline**

Early Bird                                      \$60            \$350    April 3, 2020

Regular    \$75            \$375    May 13, 2020

**Conference Date/Time:**

The Phi Beta Delta Honor Society for International Scholars is pleased to announce that the 2020 PBD Conference will be offered via Zoom on Thursday- Friday: May 14th and May 15, 2020 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.

More information regarding the conference can be found at <http://www.phibetadelta.org/conference/2020/conference2020.php>

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: **Prof. Dr. Eylem Atakav**

TOPIC: **International Educators as Agents of Positive Change**



**Abstract:** International educators are agents of positive change, taking part in collaborative work that binds people, states, and nations closer together. All those in academia—from faculty to administrators, from staff to students—are rapidly becoming aware of how their innovative engagements with shared social and global responsibilities can facilitate change. In this talk I will argue that teaching is inspirational when it has a positive impact on policy and social and cultural life, within and outside a university, and at national and international levels. Focusing on an empirical case study, about my own documentary film, *Growing Up Married*, that follows four women from Turkey, as they recollect their memories and experiences as child brides, I aim to critically reflect upon my and my students' teaching and research journey in crossing borders: between one nation to another, between academia and activism, and between film theory and filmmaking practice while highlighting the value of public engagement within the discipline of Humanities in specific, and within the context of international education in general.

**Short bio:** Eylem Atakav is Professor of Film, Gender and Public Engagement at the University of East Anglia where she teaches courses on women, Islam and media; and Middle Eastern media. She is the Chair-Elect for the Teaching, Learning and Scholarship Knowledge Community of *NAFSA: Association of International Educators*. She is the recipient of 2016 Society for Cinema and Media Studies Outstanding Contribution to Pedagogy Award, and is a HEA National Teaching Fellow (2016). She is the author of [\*Women and Turkish Cinema: Gender Politics, Cultural Identity and Representation\*](#) (2012) and editor of *Directory of World Cinema: Turkey* (Intellect, 2013). She recently completed an Arts and Humanities Research Council-funded project entitled British [Muslim] Values. She is the director of *Growing Up Married* (2016) – an internationally acclaimed and award-winning documentary about forced marriage and child brides in Turkey.

## MENTORING PROGRAM

Phi Beta Delta is pleased to announce that our 2019-2020 PBD Learning Community (mentoring program) has been successfully launched. If you are interested in the mentoring program, please contact Itzel Olguin [itzelolguin1@gmail.com](mailto:itzelolguin1@gmail.com)

## PHI BETA DELTA TESTIMONIAL SPOTLIGHT



My experience with Phi Beta Delta-International Honor Society for International scholars (PBD) started in 2017 when our Provost Emeritus, Dr. Jenny Zorn, founded Theta Theta Chapter at California State University-Bakersfield. PBD is a great community for people who share an interest in international education in all its manifestations. I am very grateful to all the resources and opportunities provided by this community, which further advances my career and interests in international education. In 2019, I was very fortunate to attend the PBD annual conference in Shepherdstown, West Virginia. This was such an eye-opening event in which people from all over the world enjoyed great presentations and exchanged research and teaching ideas in international topics. I cannot thank PBD enough for its support to my career development and urge more and more interested scholars to join this great community.

## CHAPTER NEWS



**Alpha Chi Chapter  
Creighton University**

**Globalization Through Local, Cultural Understanding at Creighton University.**

Alpha Chi Chapter Coordinator at Creighton University, Lucy Hancock, has spent the last semester working with three students as “Kingfisher Institute Fellows.” During this fellowship, the team was charged with researching the topic, “Race, Violence, and Reconciliation in America.” Through qualitative interviewing, they chose to amplify the voices of Omaha’s South Sudanese demographic and create a short documentary to shed light on some of the challenges and triumphs the community faces.







### **Epsilon Upsilon Chapter Oklahoma University**

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY - EPSILON UPSILON CHAPTER  
2019-2020

#### New Members

The Epsilon Upsilon Chapter held their annual induction ceremony on Tuesday, November 19, 2019. With over 50 Oklahoma State University and Stillwater community members in attendance, the Chapter welcomed 17 new members into the prestigious honor society for international scholars. New members inducted at the ceremony included Lynn Marie Boorady, Sarah Grace Brittle, Ana Maria Chicas-Mosier, Stephen Adam Crawley, Cara Lynn Menasco Eubanks, Fatimah Firdaus, Jenna M Fowler, Ho Han, Sayaka Isoda, Luis Alfonso Mejia Puig, Rachel Rebekah Mozingo, Tina Renee Newton, Judith Kay Parrott, Benjamin Olutosin Semola, Hyesun Song, Joshua M Spitaleri and Sydney Nicole Stewart. A second induction is scheduled for April 9, 2020 at our Annual Member Meeting.

#### General Update

The Epsilon Upsilon Chapter of Phi Beta Delta is in its 16<sup>th</sup> year at Oklahoma State, continuing to strive toward building a network of individuals with a common desire to



promote international scholarship and cultural understanding. The 2019-2020 Board continued efforts to diversify and expand membership in the society across campus, with a special focus on co-sponsoring the Global Briefing Series on campus in partnership with the School of Global Studies and Partnerships.



Zeta Gamma Chapter  
Northern Illinois University

### President's Reception for International Scholars

The President's Office at Northern Illinois University hosted a reception for international scholars on February 20th. President Lisa Freeman and Provost Beth Ingram attended the event. The Zeta Gamma Chapter sincerely appreciated President Freeman hosting this event for our members. Our members enjoyed visiting with the President and the Provost and other scholars.



### Zeta Tau Chapter Sonoma State University

The Zeta Tau Chapter at Sonoma State University is proud to announce that one of their members, [Raymundo Lopez](#), has received a prestigious award: a [2020-2021 APSA Minority Fellowship Program \(MFP\) Fellow](#). Congratulations to Raymundo!

### Eta Epsilon Chapter Western Illinois University

One of the objectives of the Eta Epsilon Chapter Phi Beta Delta International Honor Society is to fund scholarships for international students and student participating in a study abroad course.

Funds are raised through the annual scholarship fundraiser dinner as well as selling international items at the annual International Bazaar.

The following was provided by Alexis: "Studying abroad has always been an unrealistic dream of mine; something I never believed would be in the cards. In college, it is not an uncommon thing for students to do. Many of my friends have studied abroad, and one commonality I discovered between them is that they come back with the most amazing stories to tell, having gained the most enriching experiences from all different corners of the world. I have never been afforded the opportunity to travel around my own country, much less around the world as a whole, so once I heard about the International Healthcare Systems Study Abroad trip to Ecuador, I knew I had to jump at the opportunity. The only thing holding me back was the expenses. Because of this scholarship, I have now been afforded the opportunity of a lifetime to travel across the world to help people of varying statuses and cultures gain access to healthcare. As a nursing major, helping others is an important attribute to my profession, as is cultural diversity, both of which are being afforded to me through this study abroad experience. This scholarship helped open doors for me that would have never been possible otherwise, and for that I am forever grateful."

For more information on WIU's Eta Epsilon Chapter, please visit their website at [http://www.wiu.edu/global\\_education/phi\\_beta\\_delta/index.php](http://www.wiu.edu/global_education/phi_beta_delta/index.php).



Dana Sistko (Scholarship Committee Chair), Alexis Barnes (scholarship recipient), Rich Cangro (Phi Beta Delta chapter president)

**Eta Mu Chapter  
Northwestern State University of Louisiana**

Northwestern State University's Eta Mu chapter of Phi Beta Delta presented two sessions of a new Language and Culture Lecture Series on Tuesday evenings in February. This exciting series offers insights into world cultures that include greetings, a taste of the language, and information about the culture. These sessions, open to the entire NSU and Natchitoches community, were the first of an ongoing series to promote knowledge and understanding of world cultures while raising funds for our new Phi Beta Delta International Scholarships. Dr. Weiwen Liao, Assistant Professor in NSU's School of Business, spoke about China and Chinese culture and Ms. Neeru Deep, Instructor in the Department of Psychology, presented about India and Hindu culture. Both speakers are active members of the Eta Mu Board. The lectures were well attended by students, faculty, and community members.

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**Chinese and Hindu**  
Language and Culture Series  
(Lectures)



Phi Beta Delta-NSU Eta Mu Chapter Scholarship Fundraiser

**Purpose:**

To support funding for Northwestern State University students participating in international studies and expand all participants' knowledge and understanding of Chinese and Hindu cultures

The series will offer insights into the Chinese and Hindu greetings, language and culture.

**Our lecturers will be:**

**Dr. Weiwen Liao**  
Assistant Professor, NSU School of Business and

**Ms. Neeru Deep M.A., M.Ed.**  
Instructor, Department of Psychology

**Dates:**

2 Tuesday classes:  
(1st) February 4, 2020 Chinese Culture and  
(2nd) February 11, 2020 Hindu Culture

**Time:**

5:30-6:30 pm

**Registration Fee:**

\$10.00 per hour for students  
\$25.00 per hour for all other participants

**Place:**

NSU Russell Hall  
Natchitoches Room  
Natchitoches, Louisiana 71497

Register online at : [nsu.la/lcsltix](http://nsu.la/lcsltix) or register at the door.

Contact for information: Dr. Marcia Hardy: [hardym@nsula.edu](mailto:hardym@nsula.edu) or 318.357.6982

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In October, our chapter held its annual Study Abroad Panel, in which students who have studied abroad speak about their experiences in multi-media presentations. These presentations often inspire future participants in study abroad programs. This year students spoke about their experiences in France, Spain, and the Netherlands.



The Eta Mu chapter always enjoys our No-Host Dinners at local international restaurants. Each semester we gather for a shared meal and conversation. This photo is in our local Japanese restaurant.



This January the Eta Mu Chapter awarded its first Phi Beta Delta International Scholarship to Annabelle Parker, an International Studies student. She is an accounting major with a CIS minor, who spent the semester at the University of Alicante, Spain. We are proud of our first scholarship recipient plan to award additional scholarships in future semesters.

Mu Chapter  
University of North Carolina at Charlotte



November 21, 2019 Phi Beta Delta induction for the Mu chapter at UNC Charlotte.



# 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>

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Do you have news regarding your Chapter? An interesting article to share? Please send submissions to Sarah Lindell at [slindell@niu.edu](mailto:slindell@niu.edu)

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