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Office of Global Strategy and Initiatives

The Office of Global Strategy and Initiatives (GSI) is dedicated to the support, promotion, and expansion of Emory's engagement worldwide through implementing creative global programs, fostering cross-unit collaboration, and championing a culturally vibrant and diverse campus. To learn more about Emory in the world, visit global.emory.edu and subscribe to the [GSI newsletter](#). Send all newsletter submission requests to global@emory.edu.



Jane Gatewood

New Vice Provost Announcement: Jane Gatewood

We look forward to welcoming Jane Gatewood as vice provost for global engagement and services when she joins Emory on January 1, 2025. Gatewood, an Emory alum, is currently vice provost for global engagement at the University of Rochester.

In her new position, Gatewood will lead our office, which will change its name to align with her title. Her appointment follows Philip Wainwright's [retirement](#) from Emory after more than 27 years of service. Check out the link below to the Emory Report article announcing Gatewood's hire.

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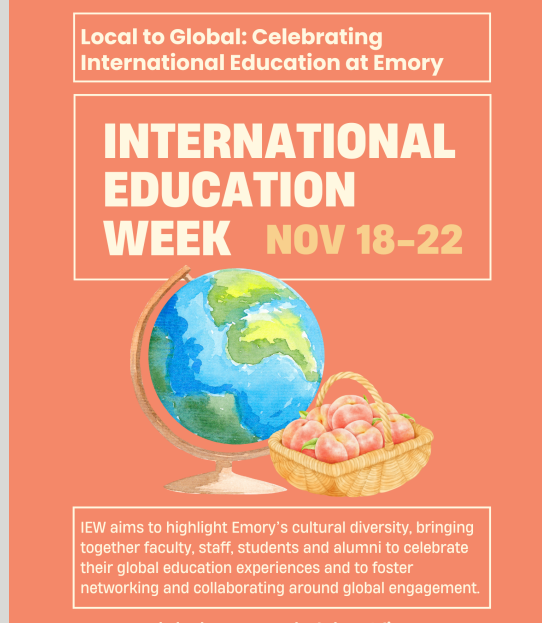
Let's Celebrate: International Education Week 2024

Emory is hosting a [number of exciting events](#) for International Education Week (IEW), **November 18-22**. IEW is a joint initiative of the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Education to promote and celebrate the benefits of international education and exchange worldwide. The theme of International Education Week 2024 at Emory is "Local to Global: Celebrating International Education Week at Emory." The Office of Global Strategy and Initiatives is convening stakeholders across Emory to celebrate International Education Week as a cross-campus event for the first time in nearly a decade.

We also are partnering with Emory Dining to [invite Emory faculty and staff to submit recipes for a digital cookbook titled "Flavors of Emory."](#) If you would like to submit a recipe, please [fill out this form](#).

Visit the International Education Week webpage to learn more by clicking the button below.

[Visit Website](#)



Applications Open: Emory Free Passport Initiative

To champion student flourishing and increase equitable access to global education experiences, [Atlanta Global Partnerships](#) created the Emory Free Passport Initiative, a program that covers the costs of U.S. passport application and/or renewal fees for a limited number of Emory students who receive financial aid. In addition to providing funds for passports, the Emory Free Passport Initiative brings passport processing professionals to campus on designated Emory Passport Days to further reduce barriers to U.S. passport application and renewal. There will be three Emory Passport Days this year, November 20 (Oxford Campus), November 21 (Atlanta Campus), and December 5 (Atlanta Campus).

The Emory Free Passport Initiative is open to **currently enrolled Emory students receiving financial aid**. The **deadline to apply is October 25, 2024**. Accepted applicants will be scheduled for a dedicated appointment on an Emory Passport Day for their campus.

Faculty, staff, and students who do not qualify for the Emory Free Passport Initiative are welcome to register for an Emory Passport Day appointment, but the [associated passport fees](#) will be the responsibility of the applicant.

This passport program is made possible by the generous support of Delta Air Lines, the partnership of the Atlanta Passport Agency, and the on-campus collaboration of EmoryCard and the Emory Bookstore.

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Faculty Spotlight: Gonzalo Vazquez-Prokopec

Read GSI's interview with Gonzalo Vazquez-Prokopec, Winship Distinguished Research Professor and Director of Graduate Studies in the Department of Environmental Sciences, and Global Health Institute Faculty Distinction Fund Awardee.

Vazquez-Prokopec's research interests lie at the interface of Ecology, Spatial Epidemiology, and Global Health. His work aims to identify the major determinants of the transmission and geographic propagation of vector-borne diseases of global health significance; quantify the contribution of the urban landscape to the patterns of disease occurrence and geographic spread; study the ecology of insect vectors and reservoir hosts, and the role of human and vector behavior in pathogen transmission dynamics; and apply such knowledge to improve public health policy. He was recently featured on the WABE show [Health Wanted](#).



Gonzalo Vazquez-Prokopec

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Halle Institute Global Research Fellows

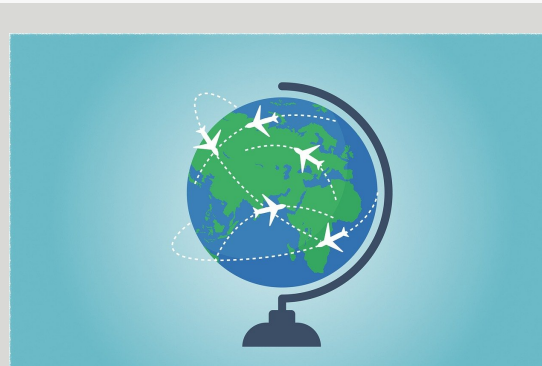
The Halle Institute for Global Research and Learning selected 13 students for its 2024 Graduate Global Research Fellows program. The program provides funding for research conducted outside of the United States by PhD students in the pre-candidacy stage. For each student selected, the funding supports a research trip abroad (between four and twelve weeks) focused on determining the feasibility of a PhD dissertation project prior to applying for competitive external funding. Fellows also participate in a series of program workshops designed to assist them with their current projects and future global research endeavors.

Halle's 2024 Global Research Fellows and their geographic and academic fields of study are:

- Jacqui Brown - Jamaica - Comparative Literature
- Bruna Cerveira - Brazil - History
- Yoon Won Chang - South Korea - Anthropology
- Lingxiao Chen - China - Sociology
- Diana Duarte - Brazil & Colombia - Spanish & Portuguese
- Ahmed Haji Said - Tanzania - Global Health & Development
- Saakshi Kale - India - Sociology
- Ben Lukubye - Tanzania - Biology
- Gerardo Manrique de Lara Ruiz - England - History
- Rene Odanga - England - History
- Linchuan Zhang - China - Political Science
- Xueqia Zhang - China - Sociology
- Zepeng Zhou - China - Sociology

Upcoming Intercultural Communication and Leadership Training

ISSS is offering two workshop series in November and December designed for faculty and staff. "Intercultural Communication" is a three-part workshop focused on building self-awareness, understanding cultural differences, and developing competencies needed for effective inter-cultural engagement. "Personal Leadership: Making a World of Difference" is a two-part series aimed at building skills to successfully navigate cross-cultural contexts. More information on dates can be found by clicking on the button below.



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Natalie Cruz meeting with members of the Emory University Japan Network while visiting Tokyo.

GSI Staff Updates

We are excited to welcome four new members to our team: [Alma Karla Reynal Quintanilla](#) is Senior Program Coordinator for Global Safety and Security (GSS) and focuses on strengthening safety and security for Emory's global travelers and its global activities. [Sophia Neitsch](#) is GSI's Communications Manager and works on communications strategies for GSI's reporting divisions. [Leigh Herman](#) is Program Coordinator and supports key initiatives that enhance Emory's global engagement and strategic goals. [Demi Ongolo](#) is Senior Advisor in International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) where she provides the Emory community with advising on immigration, Emory resources, and related matters.

Natalie Cruz, Associate Director, was selected as a Fulbright Scholar and travelled to Japan for two weeks in June as a part of the Fulbright International Education Administrator (IEA) Program. While in Japan, Cruz learned more about the higher education system and engaged with multiple universities to promote cross-cultural exchange and explore possible partnerships. She also hosted a gathering of members from the Emory alumni network while in Tokyo.

We wish Kenya Casey, former Director of Global Safety and Security, all the best with her new role as Deputy Chief Operations Officer at the Task Force for Global Health. Sarah Harlan Zegeye, Senior Associate Director of Global Services, has temporarily assumed her GSS duties.

2036 Giving Week: October 28 – November 1

This [once-a-year philanthropic celebration](#) kicks off Monday, October 28, at 9:00 a.m. Please consider this opportunity to make a difference through your generosity! Check out GSI programs you can support below.

[Support GSI Programs](#)

Other News and Highlights

2024 International Student Welcome Reception



The annual signature fall event for ISSS is the International Student Welcome Reception. This year's reception was held on Friday, September 6 in the Emory Student Center and was attended by members of the new international student class across the university as well as some campus partners. Attendees enjoyed networking and having fun over delicious international cuisines.

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Opportunities Await in Hong Kong: Event with Goizueta Business School



In September, GSI and Goizueta Business School hosted an event with the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, New York, about career development in Hong Kong. Speakers included Henry Yu, President of the Hong Kong Association of Atlanta, Maisie Ho and William Leung, Director and Deputy Director of HK Economic and Trade Office, Patrick Yang of Deloitte China, and William Akers of Switchboard MD.

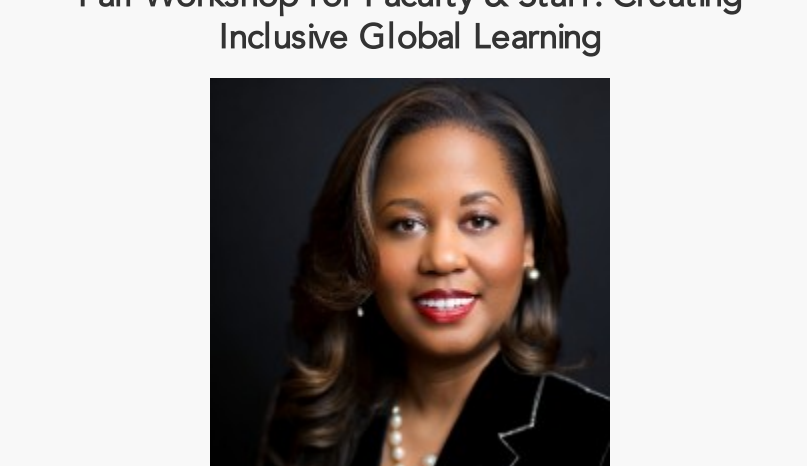
Passport to Emory welcomes incoming students and families in Hong Kong, Mumbai, and Seoul



In June, ISSS hosted this annual in-country, pre-departure orientation program to ease international students' transition to Emory and help answer their questions. The program is designed for newly admitted international students with F-1 and J-1 visas who will begin their undergraduate, graduate, or professional programs at Emory in the fall.

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Fall Workshop for Faculty & Staff: Creating Inclusive Global Learning



In celebration of Global Diversity Awareness Month, the Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, the Center for Faculty Development and Excellence, and the Office of Global Strategy and Initiatives presented a professional development workshop on inclusive pedagogy to support faculty-led programs that promote equitable access to global education. As the guest speaker, Heather Scott from Agnes Scott College offered a workshop on 'Creating Inclusive Global Learning: Strategies for Access and Student Belonging.'

Upcoming Events

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| November 14 | Exploring the Engagement Map of Global Emory
Virtual Registration forthcoming |
| November 18-22 | International Education Week
All Week Virtual, Oxford and Atlanta Campus |
| November 20 | Emory U.S. Passport Day
11am-2pm Oxford Campus |
| November 21 | Emory U.S. Passport Day
10am-3pm Atlanta Campus |
| December 4 | Emory Ethiopia Connect
9am-10am Virtual |
| December 5 | Emory U.S. Passport Day
10am-3pm Atlanta Campus |

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