

VolSphere

A monthly newsletter by the Center for Global Engagement

February 2021



KARI WATSON
SENIOR

Happy Lunar New Year

Lunar New Year, also called Spring Festival, is typically celebrated in China and many other Asian countries. This year it falls on Friday, February 12th. The festival lasts 15 days until February 26th. As we conclude the 2021 celebration, we want to share a short video from UT faculty, staff, and students, wish everyone a Happy Lunar New Year, the year of the Ox.



10 UT Students Awarded Gilman Scholarships to Study Abroad

Ten students have been selected to receive the prestigious [Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship](#) to study or intern

in global programs (abroad and virtual) in upcoming terms. An additional eight students were selected as alternates. The Gilman Scholarship Program reviewed more than 1,500 applicants and offered awards to more than 900 students.

[Click here](#) to read more about our Gilman Scholars.



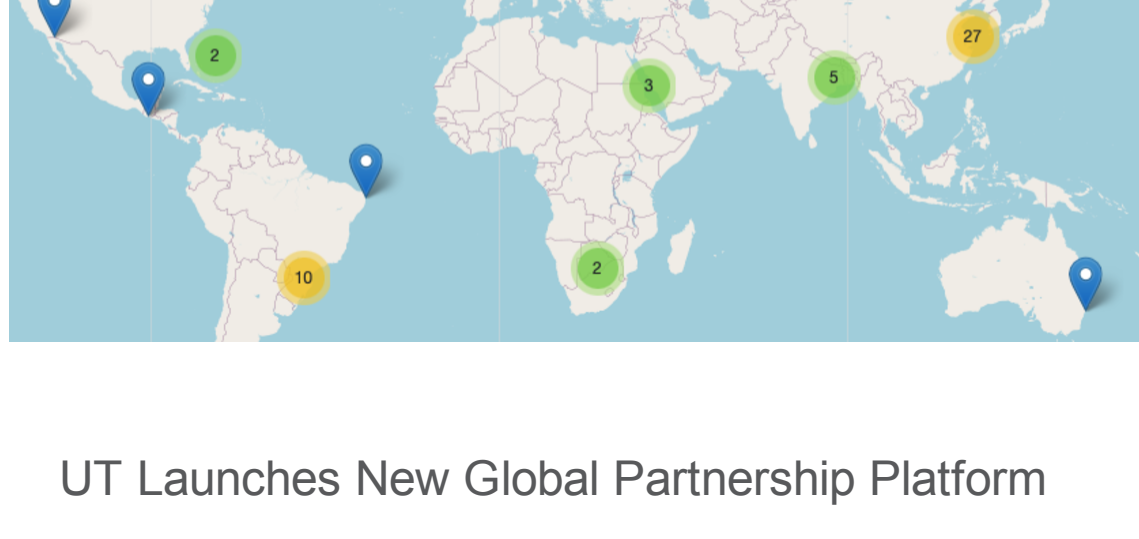
Scholarships Open for Student Leaders

The University of Tennessee is fortunate to have several scholarships available to

returning undergraduate students that recognize their outstanding contributions to campus leadership and community service. The recipients of these scholarships are chosen in the spring by a committee appointed by the Division of Student Life. Last year, 42 students received scholarships totaling \$88,150.

Scholarship applications are now available online until March 15, 2021. Please share this information with students and encourage them to apply on [VOLink](#). There is only one application and students will be considered for all eligible scholarships. Award amounts range from \$1,000 - \$5,000. Please share this information with students and encourage them to apply on VOLink. Additional information is available

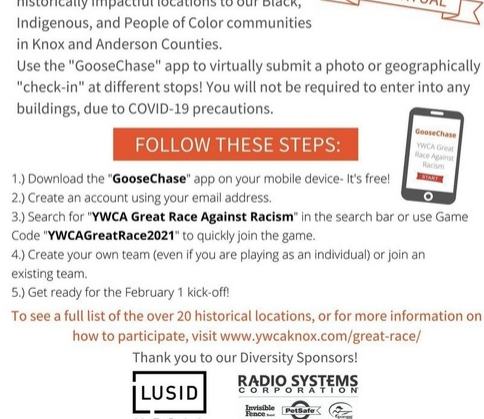
at <http://dos.utk.edu/scholarships/>.



UT Launches New Global Partnership Platform

The [Global Research Office](#) at the Center for Global Engagement (CGE) launched a new international platform, the Global Partnerships platform, to track and manage the University's partnerships with universities globally. Partnerships with global universities are a core aspect of the University of Tennessee's comprehensive internationalization vision.

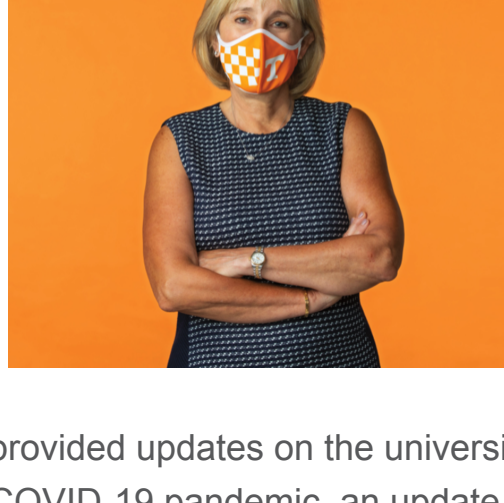
The platform is a user-friendly web-based tool that will provide the details of formalized relationships and how these partnerships impact the University of Tennessee. [Learn more about UT's Global Partnerships platform.](#)



YWCA Great Race Against Racism

[YWCA Knoxville and the Tennessee Valley](#) launched a **Great Race Against Racism** taking place all February during Black History Month. Participants will download the interactive "GooseChase" app on their mobile device and will race to collect points by physically visiting locations throughout Knox

and Anderson Counties that have significance to Black, Indigenous, and People of Color in our community. There is still time to participate. [Follow this link to read more.](#)

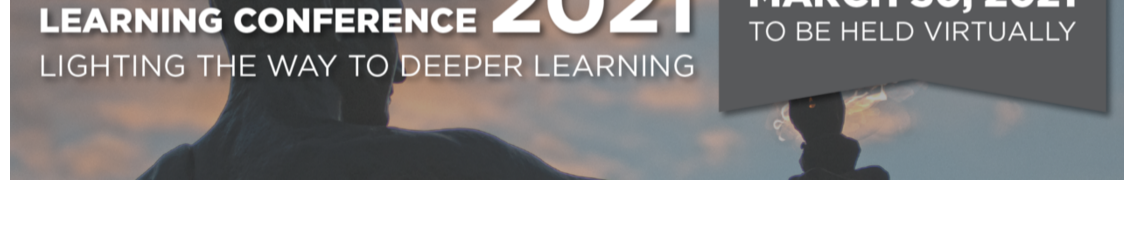


Recording of Vol Town Hall: Europe

Alumni and friends from all over Europe joined an exclusive virtual Vol Town Hall with UT Knoxville Chancellor Donde Plowman on February 23. Chancellor Plowman

provided updates on the university, including the response to the COVID-19 pandemic, an update on the 2021 academic year, and other timely topics.

Missed it? [You can watch the recording here.](#)



TLI is Offering Free Teaching Certificate Programs

UT Teaching and Learning Innovation has created a number of certificate programs based on current topics of interest in the field of teaching in higher education, as well as their own unit's expertise, many of which are asynchronous.

There are a variety of workshops including how to **"Increase Cultural Competency for Effective and Inclusive Teaching"** on **Thursday, March 25, at 1:00pm**. Register for the workshop [here](#).

For more information [visit TLI's Certificate Curriculum web page](#).

Registration is now open for all six certificate programs!



ELI Offers Saturday English for Professionals

ELI is now offering Saturday "English for Business Professionals" classes. They are offering three classes for 8 weeks on Saturday mornings: Speaking, Writing, and American Business Culture. These

classes will be aimed at people owning or running businesses in the Knoxville area.

Applications for Saturday classes are on the [ELI website](#).

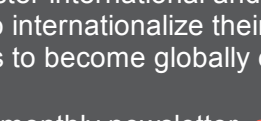


ISSS Graduate Assistantship Position is Available

International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) has an opening for a new Graduate Assistant, beginning June 2021.

Graduate students in this position will assist with international students and scholar email communication, new international student orientation, website updates, record keeping and international scholar check-ins. **Deadline to apply is March 1, 2021.**

To apply, complete the application form available at tiny.utk.edu/ISSS-GA-App and submit the form along with a copy of your resume to Brian Todd, International Student and Scholar Services Coordinator at btodd@utk.edu.



The [Center for Global Engagement](#) provides leadership to strengthen the university's global reach and impact, foster international and intercultural awareness and understanding, assist faculty to internationalize their teaching and scholarship, and prepare students to become globally engaged citizens.

To receive this monthly newsletter, [subscribe here](#).

Contact Us

Center for Global Engagement
1620 Melrose Avenue
Knoxville, TN 37996-3531
Phone: 865-974-3177
Email: cge@utk.edu

[View as web page](#)

This email was sent to .

Add us to your address book to continue receiving our emails.

[Unsubscribe](#)

[Subscribe](#) to our email list.