

# VolSphere

*A monthly newsletter by the Center for Global Engagement*

September 2023



## **International Showcase**

September 22

## **Vols Abroad Fair**

October 16

## **International Festival**

October 20

## **International Education Week**

November 13–17

Hey students! We hope you're enjoying your first few weeks on campus and we hope you're ready to get globally engaged.

Save the date for our 'big four' global fall events:

- [International Showcase](#) Sep 22 | 11:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.
- [VolsAbroad Fair](#) Oct 16 | 12:00–3:00 p.m.
- [International Festival](#) Oct 20 | 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.
- [International Education Week](#) Nov 13–17

Share these dates with your friends and classmates! Like this newsletter?

Encourage friends to [subscribe here](#).

# Show Off Your Global Smarts...

- **Take the 'What in the World?' Quiz:** Impress us. See how well you know global current events by [taking this weekly world quiz](#), created by the Tennessee World Affairs Council. Are you up to the challenge?

## Center for Global Engagement News...

- **International Student Advising:** Reminder that the International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) office is now located in the International House at 1623 Melrose Ave. [More about ISSS advising here.](#)
- **Language Practice:** From Korean to French to Albanian, [find an International House language practice session](#) that works for you.
- **LinkedIn:** We're taking the global stage on LinkedIn! Introducing [our fresh LinkedIn page](#), where we're all about fueling a university culture that encourages global engagement and international education.



Studying abroad has a reputation of being life-changing ☐ and expensive ☐

But did you know that we offer many resources that help students  
#FundDreams and #GoAbroad?

**CGE Undergraduate Study Abroad Scholarship:** Provides awards up to \$1,250 for undergraduate UT students participating in credit-bearing, pre-approved programs abroad. The application is easy and does not even require an essay! [Get started on applying today.](#)

Application deadline: priority deadline of September 15, standard deadline of October 15.

**Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship:** The Gilman Scholarship [offers Pell Grant recipients up to \\$5,000](#) for study or internship abroad programs. It also offers supplemental awards for students studying critical languages and, for the first time, for students conducting STEM-related research abroad.

Application deadline: October 5 for programs that start between December 1, 2023 and October 31, 2024.

**Other Funding Opportunities:** Find [other study abroad related funding opportunities here.](#)

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## Upcoming #VolsAbroad Deadlines...

- **#VolsAbroad Applications:** Student applications for winter mini, spring and spring break faculty-directed programs are due October 30. Students who already know where they want to study abroad should [connect with a Programs Abroad Coordinator](#). Students looking for more guidance should meet with a peer advisor in G101 in Melrose Hall (1620 Melrose Ave) between 11:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Monday–Friday.
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## Watch...

- **Tennessee-Rwanda Leadership Experience:** The Office of Diversity and Engagement and the Thornton Center co-led a [leadership and service program in Rwanda](#) this summer.

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## News from Campus...

- **Graduate Student Senate:** Read about how the [Graduate Student Senate is advocating for students](#), including a new international student group aimed at helping international graduate students adjust to life in the United States and here on campus.
- **Off-Campus Housing Expo:** Looking for a new place to live off campus? [Attend this event](#) on Friday, September 22, from 1 p.m.–4 p.m. on the Pedestrian Walkway.
- **Global Studies Program:** [Declare Global Studies](#) as your major or minor. Choose from these concentrations: global politics and economics; global society and culture; and language, politics and culture.
- **Global Studies Graduate Certificate:** [This certificate](#) offers graduate students the opportunity to enrich their graduate studies with global subjects. [Contact Paul Gellert](#) if interested.
- **Learning Through Immersion:** Are you interested in how globalization affects business? Learn about the [new undergraduate](#)

[degree in international business](#) offered by the Haslam College of Business.

- **National Postdoc Appreciation Week:** Postdocs, graduate students and research personnel are encouraged to [get involved in these National Postdoc Appreciation Week](#) events.

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## Global Events...

- **Sep 17:** [Hola Festival Celebrating Hispanic Heritage Month](#)
- **Sep 22:** [UTIA International Showcase hosted by the Smith Center](#)
- **Sep 29:** [Unpacking Your #VolsAbroad Experience](#)
- **Oct 4:** [International Coffeehouse](#)
- **Oct 11:** [China Town Hall](#)
- **Oct 16:** [VolsAbroad Fair](#) & [Caffè Culturale Italian Immersion Day](#)
- **Oct 20:** [International Festival](#)
- **Nov 13–17:** [International Education Week](#) (more events to be added)

Find [all UT global events here](#) and [International House events here](#).

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