

# CENTER FOR GLOBAL **inquiry**+**innovation**

at the University of Virginia



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## Mission

The mission of the Center for Global Inquiry + Innovation is to advance global research at the University of Virginia. The Center seeks to build from the expertise, energy and interests of UVa colleagues toward a new intellectual agenda commensurate with a global age. Through internal grants, intellectual programming and close coordination with allied units within the University, the Center creates opportunities for faculty to think broadly, collaborate across disciplinary lines and strengthen international links with colleagues across the world.

## Hotel A Update

Work has begun on Hotel A, which when finished in summer 2016 will be the home of CGII, the Global Studies Major and Global Internships. In addition to offices for each unit, the renovated space will have a space for public events of around 50 people — lectures, receptions, meetings. Stay tuned for further information.

## CGII at a glance

### \* GLOBAL PROGRAMS OF DISTINCTION GRANTS (GPOD):

This grant aims to promote significant research agendas involving collaborative, interdisciplinary projects of global scope and scale with the potential to create lasting intellectual and institutional impacts. Awards range from \$25K-100K. The grant contemplates second stage funding, depending on the success of the first year's activities. Awards aim to position grantees to seek outside funding sources. Proposals are accepted in the fall of each academic year.

### \* GLOBAL CENTER GRANTS:

This grant competition provides seed money for early-stage working groups pursuing a research problem of global scope and scale. Awards range up to \$10,000 for faculty and include the possibility of \$1,500 grants for a limited number of individual research proposals. Graduate students may also apply for awards up to \$1,000 for individual research on projects of a global nature. Proposals are accepted twice yearly, in fall and spring.

### \* FACULTY GLOBAL RESEARCH WITH UNDERGRADUATES (FRGU):

With a seed grant from the Jefferson Trust, CGI<sup>2</sup> funds faculty-mentored undergraduate research

projects across the university. Awards range to \$10,000 for proposals focusing tightly on the undergraduate research experience. Proposals are accepted on a rolling basis.

### \* DIPLOMACY LAB:

In partnership with the US State Department, CGI<sup>2</sup> offers faculty the opportunity to accept a research question framed by the State Department on a matter of current global concern as part of a research project with undergraduate students. The project may be folded into an existing class, conducted as a Jan Term, taught during a summer session, or set up as an independent undertaking between faculty and students.

### \* GLOBAL LUNCH BRIEFS:

Groups of 6-12 faculty from at least three different departments or schools may apply to establish a lunch group to discuss common readings or to begin articulating a research agenda on a problem of global scope and scale. CGI<sup>2</sup> provides space and pays for lunch. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

### \* GRANT SPECIALIST:

The Center has a grant specialist available to help colleagues prospect for grants and to offer advice on the framing and writing of grant applications within and beyond the university.

## Upcoming Events

### \* GLOBAL CENTER GRANTS CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Spring 2016 grant competition is now open! Please see the criteria for application on our [website](#). Deadline for submission is March 8, with notification of awards by April 8.

### \* FULBRIGHT'S INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATORS (IEA) PROGRAM

**2017-18 Core Fulbright Scholar Program Competition is now open.**

The Core U.S. Fulbright Scholar Program sends 800+ U.S. faculty and professionals abroad each year. To see the Catalog of Awards, [click here](#).

The Fulbright International Education Administrators Program provides fully funded grants for U.S. higher education administrators to participate in an intensive two-week seminar abroad. Participants learn about other countries' higher education systems, and they develop new perspectives and insights for improving internationalization opportunities on their campus.

For additional information about the IEA Program, please visit the [website](#)

## Diplomacy Lab's Wonk Tank Competition

How is the US Department of State harnessing the next generation of foreign policy wonks to bring innovation to its work? Check out the #WonkTank competition, where students enrolled at American colleges and universities can submit their most creative ideas for the chance to pitch in person in Washington this spring: <http://diplomacylab.org/wonktank/>

## Global Lunch Briefs:

### 2015-16 Groups

#### \* BODY & SPIRIT IN A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

This group of colleagues from anthropology, religious studies, psychiatry, and medicine will convene four times over the course of the spring semester to discuss our mutual interests in understanding how the body figures as a site of engagement for religion and spirituality and how people from a range of traditions engage with religion and spirituality in their pursuit of health. Our sites of engagement include Uganda, Madagascar, China, Cuba, Tibet and the United States, and the majority involve transnational migrations of people, ideas, and technologies. By thinking about these cases as a group we hope to develop new lines of transnational interdisciplinary inquiry

and to strengthen several nascent collaborations within the university and the wider academy. Contact China Scherz (crs4he).

#### \* RISK & DANGER

Colleagues from History, Sociology, Architecture, and Engineering & Society will meet to explore the relationship between risk and modernity. What is risk? Where and how has risk been conceptualized, measured, and managed? Can human beings ever fully know the risks they face? How has the discourse of risk shaped understandings of finance, the environment, technology, business, and medicine? We will explore these questions through readings by Ulrich Beck, Lorraine Daston, Mike Davis, Mary Douglas and Naomi Klein. Contact Erik Linstrum (erl2z) and Sarah Milov (sem9dw).

## FGRU Awards

For more detailed descriptions of each project, [click here](#).

\* **Social Media, Self Management, and Global Community:** Rupa Valdez (*Public Health Sciences*), and David Edmunds (*Global Development Studies*)

\* **ADG/Svalbard Travelling Studio:** Matthew Jull (*Architecture*) and Leena Cho (*Architecture*)

\* **Architectural Analysis of Healing Spaces: Maggie Center Case Studies:** Schaeffer Somers (*Architecture & Public*

*Health Sciences*), and 4<sup>th</sup> year students Harsheen Kaur & Hafsa Ambreen

\* **EcoAcoustics STAGE:** Matthew Burtner (*Music*)

\* **Women's Rights and Islam in Palestinian Jurisprudence:** Jonah Schulhofer-Wohl (*Politics*) and Deena Hurwitz (*Law*)

\* **Global Climate Impacts of Oil Palm Expansion in Indonesian Peat:** Deborah Lawrence (*Environmental Science*)

\* **Waste Initiative: Brazil:** Vivian Thomson (*Environmental Sciences*)

## G-POD Awards

### \* UVA RESEARCH INITIATIVE ON RELIGION, POLITICS AND CONFLICT

#### PETER OCHS

The spread of religion-related violence and the “weaponization” of scripture and religious language are increasing the risks for mass destruction and for increased religion-related conflict in all regions of the world. RPC represents a UVA faculty and student response to these developments: an effort to foster interdisciplinary research on conditions of religion-based violence and on the consequences of recent responses to this phenomenon. The initiative also expands graduate and undergraduate educational programming on religion, politics, and conflict.

### \* VIRGINIA-CHILEAN UNIVERSITIES NETWORK FOR ASTRONOMY: VICUNA

#### STEVEN MAJEWSKI

We have built an unprecedented collaboration connecting the UVA Department of Astronomy and seven Chilean universities in a science and technology venture to perform a groundbreaking survey of the Milky Way Galaxy using twin state-of-the-art instruments in New Mexico and Chile. Through this GPOD

proposal we will build the Virginia-Chilean Universities Network for Astronomy (VICUNA) on the existing collaborative foundation, with a focus on transfer of UVA’s “astro-engineering” expertise to Chilean institutions seeking technological partnership, joint scientific initiatives and development of cross-cultural, English-Spanish K-12 education and general public STEM outreach.

### \* GLOBALLY-SCALED CLIMATE CHANGE MAPPING AND MODELING—2ND PHASE FUNDING

#### DEBORAH LAWRENCE & HANK SHUGART

The Food Fuel and Forests Program of Distinction continues to work on modeling the impact of global land use on climate. We have also developed new, region-specific, directions in the research. With funding from MacArthur foundation, we are exploring the impacts of land-climate interactions in the Rift Valley of East Africa, and a new Jefferson graduate fellow will be investigating trade-offs between food production and forest conservation in Colombia. Shige Oishi, from Psychology, has joined the team and will be working with us to determine whether climate has direct effects on self-reported well being. We also look forward to convening part 2 of the forests, climate and resilience workshop series later in the year.

## Fall 2015 CGII Grant Recipients

For more detailed descriptions of each project, [click here](#).

### FACULTY

\* **The Ruin and Restoration of the Russian Art Empire:** Ekaterina Dianina (*Slavic Languages and Literatures*)

\* **Global Thriving Cities:** Tony Tian-Ren Lin (*Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture*)

\* **Considering the Source: Community Consultation Involving Digital Collections:** Margo Smith (*Kluge-Ruhe Museum*)

\* **Walter Mignolo, Keynote Speaker for "Latin American Studies: Past, Present, Future:** Allison Bigelow (*Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese*)

\* **Globalization, Culture Wars and Literature Festivals in India and**

**Pakistan:** Mehr Afshan Farooqi (*Middle Eastern & South Asian Languages & Cultures*)

\* **Conference: History of Human Rights Treaty:** Mila Versteeg (*Law*), Kevin L. Cope (*Law*), James Loeffler (*History*), Michael J. Smith (*Politics*), David Leblang (*Politics*)

### GRADUATE STUDENTS

\* **Licensed Tobacco Retailers and Adolescent Smoking in South Korea:** Seok Hyun Gwon (*Nursing*)

\* **The Dynamics of Care in Urban Uganda: An Interactional Approach to Medicine:** Anna Eisenstein (*Anthropology*)

\* **Culture, Codes, and Schemas, the Habitus in Unsettled Times:** Fauzia Husain (*Sociology*)

\* **Disruptive Stimuli:** Amanda Silvana Coen (*Architecture*)

\* **Win Win: Designing for Rural Relevance in Urbanizing America:** Anthony Averbek (*Architecture*)

\* **Novel and New Media: Challenging Liberal Systems in the New Century:** Jap-Nanak Makkar (*English*)

\* **Energy Futures: Between Infrastructure and Public Space:** Tom Bliska (*Architecture*)

\* **Healthy Environments to Support Mental Wellbeing in University Communities:** Spring Braccia-Beck (*Architecture*)

\* **Geography of Exception:** Seth Salcedo (*Architecture*)

\* **Cultivation of the Faithful, Ethical, and Healthy Christian: A Comparative Study:** Xinyan Peng (*Anthropology*)

\* **Between Homelessness and Homecoming: Tibetan Nationalism and Citizenship in Late 20<sup>th</sup> century India:** Swati Chawla (*History*)