# INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK

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# Keynote Speaker: Christian Andrade Herrera

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# WELCOME TO ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY



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Ms. Zunaira Naeem Vice President of Cultural Exchange Club



The Office of International Education hosts the annual International Education Week (IEW), an initiative developed by the U.S. Department of Education, to promote programs that prepare Americans for the global environment and attract future leaders to study abroad, learn, and exchange stories of their experiences across the globe.

This week gives all Albany State University (ASU), students, faculty, staff and community members a chance to share and appreciate global engagements at ASU. They will also be aware of international students, faculty, and staff who contribute to the diversity that is so much needed in all educational institutions that strive to internationalize their campuses. We also acknowledge all ASU faculty who make efforts to internationalize their courses so that students who are not able to study abroad may acquire international and intercultural knowledge and skills via their various courses and campus co-curricular activities. All participants will learn through various study abroad exhibitions, country stands, and performances about the importance of international education, which is a critical component in realizing both the USG and ASU Strategic Plans.

As we celebrate IEW this year and the importance of diversity for global competency, ASU welcomes the community to all events. ENJOY!!!

Dr. Annalease Gibson

Director of International Education

### **Keynote Speaker [Christian Andrade Herrera]**



In her role as Permanent Representative to the African Union Mission in Washington DC, Her Excellency Arikana Chihombori Quao MD worked tirelessly towards fulfilling her mandate which was to undertake, develop and maintain relationships between the African Union and the Executive and Legislative branches of the U.S. Government, the African Diplomatic Corps, the Africans in the Diaspora and the Bretton Woods Institutions. This was specifically in relation to the implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA) and advancing the priority areas of Agenda 2063. In fulfilling this Mandate, she brought renewed energy to the AU Mission as well as new ideas and programs that were implemented since her appointment in 2016 to her departure in 2019. Her efforts at mobilizing the Diaspora as people of African descent and not as citizens of any single African country is unprecedented and exemplifies her ability to unify people around a common goal, speaking with one voice as one Africa and one Continent.

Additionally, H.E. Ambassador Arikana Chihombori Quao MD has been actively involved in various programs and projects of the African Union. In 2012, she became the Chair of the African Union-African Diaspora Health Initiative (AU-ADHI), where she was involved in mobilizing the African Diaspora health professionals to assist in addressing the healthcare needs of the African continent.

Even prior to her appointment as AU Ambassador, her contributions to the cause of Africa had earned H. E. Arikana Chihombori Quao MD many prestigious honors and awards. Two of her most cherished ones are an achievement award received in 1996 from the incumbent President at the time, H.E. the late President Nelson Mandela of the Republic of South Africa and the African Woman of Excellence Award in July 2015 during the AU Summit in Johannesburg, South Africa. She received this award alongside 15 other prominent African Women including the former President of The Republic of

Liberia, Madam Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, the former President of The Republic of Malawi, Madam Joyce Banda, and Mrs. Winnie Mandela, former First Lady of the Republic of South Africa.

She has firmly established herself as an advocate for women. In 2012 at an international conference for women, H.E. Ambassador Arikana Chihombori Quao MD represented Africa in Mar-Del-Plata, Argentina where she delivered a rousing speech on Violence Against Women. During this meeting, she shared the stage with two Nobel Peace Prize Winners, Adolofo Perez Esquivel from Argentina and Rigoberta Menchu from Guatamala.

In addition to the above honors, during her 3-year tenure as AU Ambassador to the United States, H.E. Ambassador Arikana Chihombori Quao MD won over 60 awards from various organizations within the Americas including Ambassador of the Year from Howard University.

Prior to her appointment, Her Excellency was a renowned Family Medicine Doctor in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, where she practiced medicine for over 25 years. She is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians and a member of the American Association of Family Physicians as well as the Tennessee Association of Family Physicians.

She is married and the proud mother of 5 children.



### **International Education Week 2022**

**Opening Ceremony** 

Monday, November 14, 2022

**Parade of Flags** 

(Start at CW Grant Student Center, East campus)

9:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

**Venue: East Campus BCB Auditorium** 

Presiding: Sumana Panuganti, CEC President

Parade of Flags ASU International Students

Introduction and Welcome Dr. Ron Leonhardt, Assistant Director of International Education

**Keynote Address** Christian Andrade Herrera, the 1st Mr. ASU International

**Short Presentations on being** 

International

**International Student Participants** 

**Dance Performance** International Student Participants

Closing Remarks Dr. Annalease Gibson, Director of International Education



### **Cultural Explosion**

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

East Campus: Billy C. Black Building Auditorium & Atrium

6:30 P.M. - 8 P.M.

Presiding: Mr. Jabrell McPherson

- Welcome Remarks by Dr. Ron Leonhardt
- Cultural Discussion with Mr. Jabrell McPherson
- Student Leadership Introductions:
  - o Sumana Panuganti, President of the Cultural Exchange Club (CEC)
  - o Zunaira Naeem, Vice President of CEC
  - o Disha Patel, 2021-2022 Miss ASU International
- Presentation: 2022 SEMAU Delegates, the ASU Angola Team
- Cultural Performances (Bollywood): Disha, Sumana, Thuto
- International Student Panel Discussion
  - o Facilitated by Asia Raulerson, CEC Member
- Introduction of Pageant Judges:
  - o Dr. Ron Leonhardt, Professor Ishante Hunter, Dr. Nneka Nora Osakwe
- Mr. and Miss. ASU International Pageant hosted by Jabrell McPherson
- Introduction to International Food Display & Instructions for Voting
  - Facilitated by Sumana Panuganti, President of CEC
- Intermission for Voting and Eating
- Voting Results and Crowning of 2022-2023 Mr. and Miss ASU International
  - o Facilitated by Dr. Annalease Gibson & Miss ASU International 2021-2022
- Closing Remarks by Dr. Annalease Gibson

### **Cultural Dance Festival**

Thursday, November 17, 2022

**East Campus: Ballroom** 

5:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

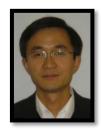
Presiding: Ms. Sumana Panuganti, President Cultural International Club

- Welcome Remarks by Mr. Mark Hankerson
- Q &A from the Audience
- Closing Remarks by Mr. Hankerson

### 2020-2022 ASU Study Abroad Faculty Coordinators



<u>Dr. Kathaleena Monds</u> Department of Business *Belize* 



<u>Dr. Jianchuan Zhou</u> Department of English, Modern Languages, and Mass Communication *China* 



Dr. Adriana Primo-McKinley
Department of English, Modern
Languages, and Mass Communication
Dominican Republic



<u>Dr. Ron Leonhardt</u> Department of History *Cambodia* 



Dr. Donyale Childs
Department of Nursing
India



<u>Dr. Jan Rodd</u> Department of Nursing *India* 



<u>Dr. Uzoma Okafor</u> Department of Forensic Science *India* 



Dr. Anthony OwusuAnsah
Department of Education



<u>Dr. Annalease Gibson</u> Department of Social Work *Jamaica* 



Dr. Zachariah Oommen ASU Department of Forensic Science India



Dr. Mihoko Noda
Department of Fine Arts
Japan (In Memoriam)

# **Gilman Scholarship Recipients (2021-2022)**

NAME	YEAR	MAJOR	COUNTRY	
Miranda Mathis	Senior	Psychology	Cambodia	
Darius Thompson	Sophomore	Political Science	Cambodia	
Unya Hall	Sophomore	Psychology	France & the Netherlands	
Audrey Caldwell	Sophomore	Nursing	United Kingdom	

# **Gilman Scholarship Fall Applicants (2022-2023)**

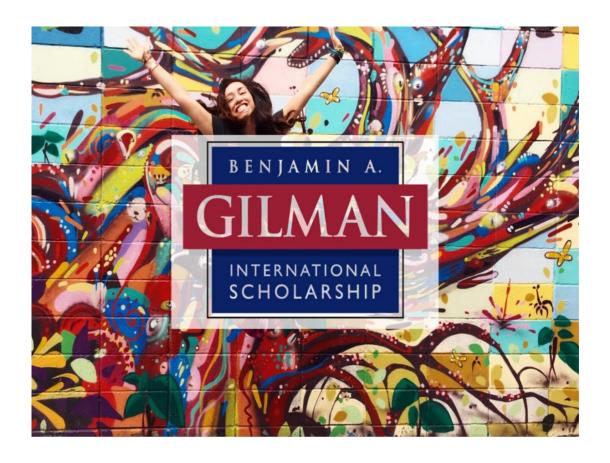
NAME	YEAR	MAJOR	COUNTRY
Zorian Campbell	Senior	Psychology	United Kingdom
Kejuan Stewart	Junior	Mass Comms; Meteorology	Cambodia
Khafru Thomas	Junior	Mass Communications	Ghana
Joshua Simon	Senior	Sociology	Ireland
DeWayne Edwards	Junior	Marketing	Ghana
Yameriah Baety	Freshman	Nursing	United Kingdom, France, Italy
Shakira Howard	Sophomore	Medical Sciences	Cambodia

- ASU Students can study abroad during the Summer semester with ASU faculty coordinators in Europe, the Dominican Republic, Jamaica, Cambodia, India, and Ghana
- Students can also study abroad during the Spring Break in Ireland.
- In addition, the European Council Program offers study abroad courses in the following countries: **Germany, France, Scotland, England, Ireland, and Spain.**
- To cover the costs of the program, students can apply for the Gilman Scholarship, Student Affairs Study Abroad Scholarship, Fund for Education Abroad (FEA), IIE Generation Travel Grant/ Scholarship, etc.

# **2020-2022 Study Abroad Students**

### Students traveled to Jamaica (2020, 2021-Virtual, 2022), Paris (2022)

Name	Major	Classification	Gender	Calendar Term: Fall, Spring or Summer	Country of Study and Date of Travel	College
1. Brooke Bowens	Business Admin	Freshman	F	Summer	Paris	College of Arts & Sciences
2. Audrey Caldwell	Nursing	Sophomore	F	Summer	Paris	College of Arts & Sciences
3. Unya Hall	Psychology	Sophomore	F	Summer	Paris	College of Arts & Sciences
4. Victoria Jones	Mass Communications	Junior	F	Summer	Paris	College of Arts & Sciences
5. Stephanie Morrell	Mass Communications	Senior	F	Summer	Paris	College of Arts & Sciences
6. Marcus Stafford	Mass Communications	Senior	M	Summer	Paris	College of Arts & Sciences
7. Lucia Pena	Mass Communications	Senior	F	Summer	Jamaica	College of Arts & Sciences
8. TiKayzia Reed	Education/middle grades	Senior	F	Summer	Jamaica	College of Arts & Sciences
9. Orlandra Williamson	Early Childhood Education	Sophomore	F	Summer	Jamaica	College of Arts & Sciences
10. Michaela Mays	Middle grades education	Senior	F	Summer	Jamaica	College of Arts & Sciences



# Presidents Changing the Face of Study Abroad Leadership matters. Leaders take action. Action turns vision into reality.

Thank you to these university leaders who have demonstrated their commitment to making study abroad accessible to students from all backgrounds by matching CIEE's \$1,500 grant for their qualified students who applied for the Frederick Douglass Global Fellowship!



Frederick Douglass took action to realize his vision for freedom, for education, for equality and social justice, for people of color, for women, and many others who needed someone to advocate for the benefit. These college presidents have agreed to match (IEES \$15.00 gant to their qualified students who applied for the Frederick Douglass (Bobal Fellowship it will enable dozens of students to matching in an international experience is it as Errederick Douglass (Idin 1884 it will chance likes it up as Frederick Douglass (Idin 284 it was Frederick Douglass) (Idin was the students of th

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25<sup>th</sup>ANNUAL SOUTHEAST MODEL AFRICAN UNION

(SEMAU) Conference November 9<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>,2022

REALIZING "THE AFRICA WE WANT: AFRICAN UNION AGENDA 2063"



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Dear esteemed delegates, distinguished dignitaries, guests, and colleagues,

It is with great excitement that we welcome you to the 25th Southeast Model African Union(SEMAU) Conference, which started in 1997 at Middle Georgia College, now Middle Georgia State University. We celebrate the 25th anniversary of this renowned conference whose distinct goal and foresight is educating students about the affairs of African Countries (now 55 of them) through transformative experiential learning. Perhaps, we are all aware that a primary criterion for assessing excellent and quality education in this 21st Century is global learning through inclusion of international and intercultural education in the curriculum. The former U.S. Secretary of Education in the United States, Arne Duncan, affirms "In the 21st Century, a quality education is an international Education" (Farmer, 2017, p. 1). In the SEMAU conference, students from various institutions of higher education in the University System of Georgia and beyond participate, and the goal is to simulate the activities of Heads of State of the African Union (AU) representing 55 countries in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia the headquarters of the African Union. At the end of the three-day conference, they come up with authentic resolutions that are passed on for consideration by the African Heads of States at the African Union annual deliberation. Our purpose this morning is to welcome you all as we commence the conference, appreciate all our distinguished guests, acknowledge the grand efforts of students and faculty advisors, and wish the delegate an outstanding academic deliberation session.

We want to extend a warm welcome and our sincere appreciation to our distinguished Ambassador, and Keynote speaker, Her Excellency, Dr. Hilda Saku Mafudze, for making time from her busy schedule in Washington, DC., to be here with us, in Albany, Georgia. It is an extraordinary privilege for students and the Albany community to have the opportunity to meet and talk with you, after listening to your Keynote address on Realizing "The Africa We Want: African Union Agenda-2063," which is the theme of this year's 25th SEMAU conference. We are hopeful that the audience, and the students in particular, will use the question and answer session as an opportunity to get further clarity on some of the issues that might be debated in the various conference sessions of the committees.

We also acknowledge and appreciate Her Excellency, Dr. Amina Smaila, the Consul General of the Nigerian Consulate Office in Atlanta. Your presence at this conference also buttresses the priority you place on matters about educating students to thoroughly understand Africa. To our Honorable guest from Cameron, Dr. Akere Muna, we are delighted to have you with us. Your presence assures an extraordinary quality to this conference and the entire deliberation, knowing the role you've played as the Vice President of Transparency International and Anti-Corruption as well as an International Legal Consultant for UNESCO and the like. There is no doubt, that you stand for justice and are a true mediator in many critical African and global corruption issues up for discussion at this conference. We truly appreciate your accepting our invitation and being here with us.

We use this opportunity to say a huge "thank you" to Albany City Mayor, Bo Dorough, for outstanding magnanimity in hosting the Ambassadorial Reception at the Riverquarium. You've made a great mark and the entire ASU community is pleased with your kindness. We are grateful to our ASU President, Dr. Marion Ross Fedrick, who prioritizes Campus Internationalization and global learning. One of her initial projects in 2018 was signing up ASU for the American Council on Education (ACE) Internationalization Laboratory (LAB), an institutional global learning community. Participation in that LAB, changed the institution's global perspective, resulting in its engagements in projects and initiatives, such as this global learning conference. Strongly supporting the President's global initiatives are the Provost, Dr. Angela Peters, and all the Vice Presidents, Deans, Chairs and Directors who joined hands to make this conference a reality. Without them, the collaborative conference with the University System African Council (USAC) would not have been possible, so we appreciate all of you. Thank you to the USAC team members and the Chair, Dr. Charles Ubah with the past directors for diligently advising ASU SEMAU committee as we planned the implementation of this conference. To the SEMAUsub-committee of ASU Internationalization Task Force, we say "Thank you so much" for all the dedicated bi-weekly meetings, which helped in actualizing this conference. There are numerous other individuals and teams not mentioned here, but we truly appreciate everyone and wish the delegates and esteemed faculty advisors a great conference deliberation.

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Dr. Annalease Gibson- Co-Chair, Entertainment	Dr. Charles Ochie
Prof. Ishanti Hunter -Co-Chair, Reservations	Ms. Barbara Breedlove
Dr. Ronald Leonhardt -Co-Chair, Logistics	Dr. Uzoma Okafor
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Dr. Roger-Claude Liwanga	Prof Charles Williams
Mr. Ivory Lucas	Mr. Brian Covington
Prof. Harriet Malone	

### **International Countries Present at ASU**



# **2022 International Students**

First Name	Last Name	Country
Maria	Alava Medranda	Ecuador
Gabriel	Ballinas Y Perez	Mexico
Pongsakorn	Booranakunamanee	Thailand
Alexa	Castro Vivas	Venezuela
Roberta	Da Silva Lima	Brazil
Maneul Ivan	Gabarri Blanco	Spain
Blaylor	Galice Lorenzo	Dominican Republic
Sumana	Panuganti	India
Christian	Andrade Herrera	Mexico
Zunaira	Naeem	Pakistan
Chowon	Han	South Korea
Jamie	Hastings	Jamaica
Shanai	Jackson-Brown	United Kingdom
Amadou	Jallow	The Gambia
Chase	Karn	Australia
Tasmine	Kemp	The Bahamas
Ihandra	Leon	Dominican Republic
Moly	Kim	Cambodia
Lovisa	Mulunga	Namibia
Andrew	Nagel	Canada
Francis	Nnorum	Nigeria
Ijeoma	Obgogu	Nigeria
Jocelyn	Orellana	Canada
Eden	Payano Liranzo	Dominican Republic
Omar Antonio	Quesada Medina	Venezuela
Thuto	Ramafifi	Botswana
Barbara	Ribeiro	Brazil
Ambar	Riquelme	Chile
McDonald	Tshwaranag	Botswana
Ahbinav	Walia	Zambia
Andrew	Widjaja	Canada
Hyojung	Yoon	South Korea
SuJeong	Yun	South Korea

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- Dr. Melanie Hatch, Associate VP & Provost, Academic Affairs
- Dr. Dorene Medlin, Director of Faculty Excellence

Kenyatta Johnson, VP Enrollment and Student Success

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Dean's Designee for Darton College of Health Profession (or Dr. Sarah Brinson)

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Dr. Zachariah Oommen, Professor Chemistry and Forensic Science

Dr. Adriana Primo McKinley, Associate Professor Spanish, Modern Languages & Mass Communication Sherrell Byrd, Community Member Representative

Albany Mayor or Mayor Representative

Dr. McKenne Brown, American Council on Education (ACE) Campus Adviser & Member at Large

**Committee charged as follows:** Review ASU Internationalization Status, Revise/ Develop ASU Comprehensive Internationalization Strategic Plan to align with American Council on Education (ACE) recommendations in the six focus areas:

- 1. Articulated Institutional Commitment;
- 2. Administrative Leadership, Structure, and Staffing;
- 3. Curriculum, Co-curriculum and Learning Outcomes;
- 4. Faculty Policies and Practices;
- 5. Student Mobility;
- 6. Collaboration and Partnerships

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College of Sciences and Technology

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### **English: Celebrate Diversity**

Khmer: អបអរសាទរភាពចម្រុះ Spanish: celebrar la diversidad

Chinese: 庆祝多元化 Urdu: Apas ka fara'q manayein Japanese: 多様性を祝う

Korean: 다양성을 축하하다 French: célébrer la diversité Arabic: احتفال التنوع

Italian: celebrare la diversità Latin: celebramus diversitas German: Vielfalt feiern

Portuguese: comemorar diversidade Greek: γιορτάσει την ποικιλομορφία

Afrikkans: vier diversiteit Czech: oslavovat rozmanitost

Dutch: diversiteit vieren Tagalog: ipagdiwang ang pagkakaiba-iba

Indonesian: merayakan keragaman Haitian Creole: selebre divèsite

Hindi: विविधता मनाएं Hawaiian: e hoʻohanohano i kaʻokoʻa

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