

# Global Engagement Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events:

**February 10:** Darwin Day, Global Spotlight Event with the College of Science

**February 15:** Baktybek A. Amanbaev, Ambassador of the Kyrgyz Republic to the USA and Canada, Diplomatic Visit

**February 24:** Ukraine Commemoration



## Welcome

### Utah Diplomatic Conference on International Relations Ukraine: One year later

**Save the Date: March 27, 2023 at 10:00 am**

The 5th Utah Diplomatic Conference will concentrate on the current conflict in Ukraine. Diplomatic representatives and consuls general from Ukraine, Poland, Romania, Czech Republic, US Department of State, and a representative of the European Union will discuss the current climate in Ukraine and what has taken place this past year. The conference will work closely with the Ukrainian Community in the State of Utah. The objective of this conference is to engage in a global conversation that may lead to building international relationships. This conference serves as a learning venue where local and foreign representatives exchange ideas, network, and develop potential collaborations. We invite all UVU students, faculty, and staff to attend the Utah Diplomatic Conference on International Relations Ukraine: One year later on March 27, 2023 in the Ragan Theater.

**Free Registration at: [uvu.edu/global/diplomatic-conference/index](http://uvu.edu/global/diplomatic-conference/index)**



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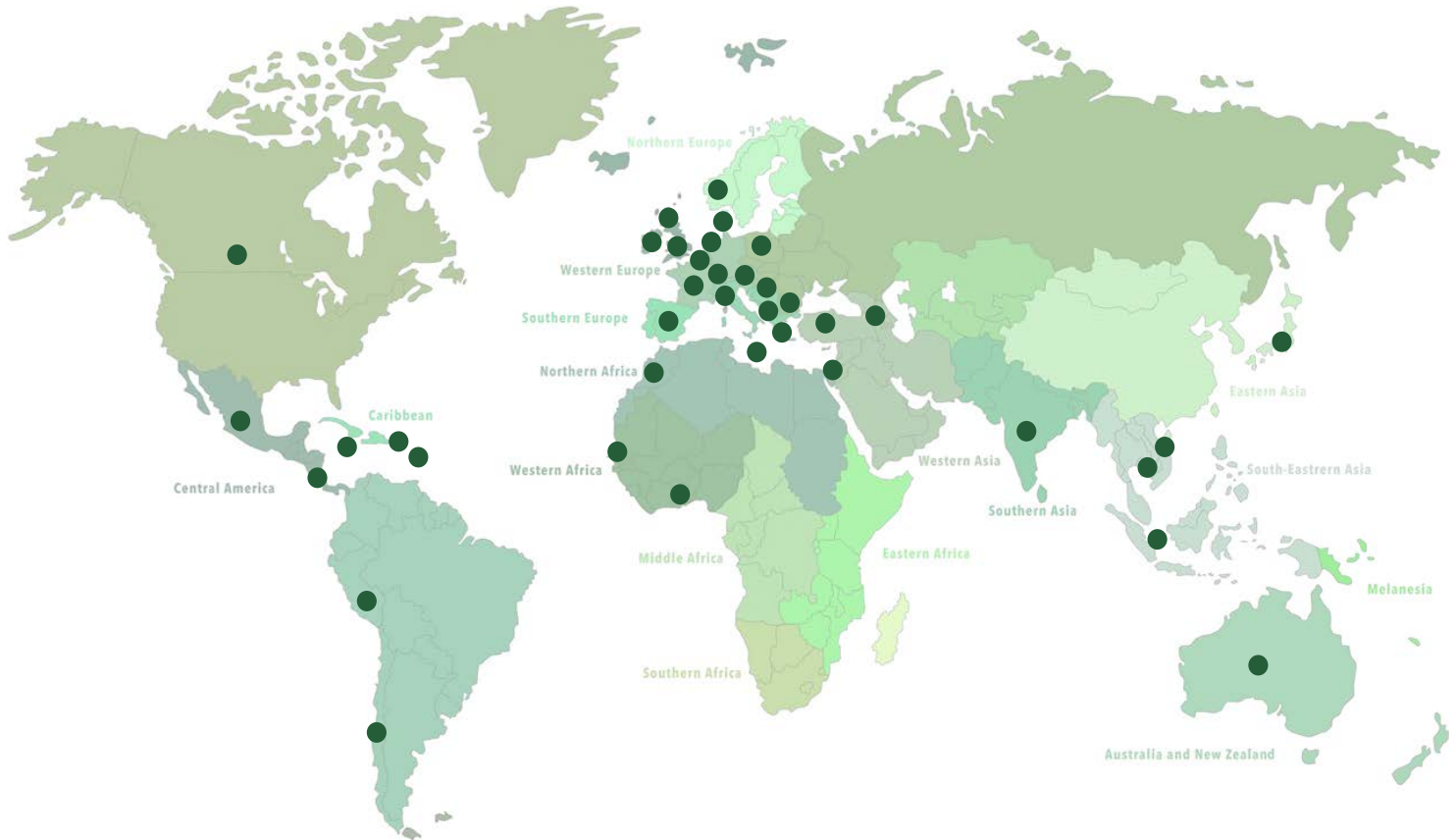
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# 2022

First Year Traveling Abroad  
Since the Covid-19 Pandemic



## Faculty/Staff

**145 Faculty/Staff Traveling**

**Albania | Armenia | Australia | Austria | Bulgaria | Cambodia | Canada | Chile | Costa Rica  
Denmark | England | France | Ghana | Greece | India | Ireland | Israel | Italy | Jamaica  
Japan | Malta | Mexico | Morocco | Netherlands | Norway | Peru | Poland | Puerto Rico  
Scotland | Senegal | Singapore | Spain | St. Kitts | Switzerland | Turkey | Vietnam**

## Students

**172 Students Traveling**

**Austria | Belgium | Cambodia | Canada | Chile | England | France | Ghana | Greece  
Jamaica | Kosovo | Netherlands | Spain | Switzerland | United Kingdom**

\*Not Including Study Abroad Statistics\*

## Dr. Andrew Goodman– Marrakech, Morocco

In November 2022, Dr. Andrew Goodman, assistant professor of elementary education, traveled to Marrakech, Morocco. Working with a small team of scholars from Arizona State University and the Nevada Department of Education, Dr. Goodman led multiple sessions of professional development with Moroccan faculty aimed at strengthening course learning objectives, quality assessment design, and development of aligned rubrics. He also supported his colleagues in their work with faculty on planning active, engaging learning experiences, flipped learning development, and learner accessibility. This on-going work is a result of a USAID partnership with Morocco’s Ministry of Education (through Arizona State University), designed as a sustainable approach to strengthen the capacity of Moroccan faculty as they create and plan for digital integration in teaching and learning.



## Dr. Moh El Saidi– Antalya, Turkey

In November 2022, Dr. Moh El Saidi, Professor of Statistics, traveled to Antalya, Turkey to present his research findings at the 6th International Symposium of Researchers, Statisticians, and Young Statisticians. The paper, co-authored by Dr. Lynn Adams entitled “Modality Demand Trends and Student’s Preferences Post COVID in a Public University,” investigates the effect that Covid-19 had on student demand for specific educational modalities including Face-to-Face, Hybrid, Independent Study, Internship, Live Interactive Video, and Online in the Woodbury School of Business at Utah Valley University. The aim of the symposium was to bring together national and international academics, researchers, undergraduates, and graduate students dedicated to Statistics and other related fields. Participants were able to present their work and share scientific research, innovative ideas, and application results with the scientific world.





## Diana Briceño

### Coordinator for Global Administration - Budgeting

We are happy to announce that Diana Briceño has joined our office as Coordinator for Global Administration - Budgeting. She will play a vital role in ensuring students, faculty, and staff travel safely internationally while supporting global events and International conferences. She will also take the lead in purchasing and budgeting for our office. We are very excited for her to join our team!

# Slavic Old New Years Celebration

## Friday, January 13

We were thrilled to celebrate the Slavic Old New Years Celebration again. Members of the community gathered with our university to take part in the Slavic tradition. The celebration was filled with incredible food, a traditional Armenian dance, and a visit from Ded Moroz and Snegurochka.

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# International Faculty/Staff Networking Group

## Wednesday, January 18

Our office hosted its monthly International Faculty and Staff Networking Group. The goal of these gatherings is to bring together international faculty and staff to connect and build relationships with one another. **We invite faculty and staff, who were born outside of the United States, to join our next gathering on February 9th at 10:00am in LA 116. The group will also meet on March 22nd at 2:00pm and April 13th at 10:00am in LA 116.** This group is a wonderful opportunity to meet with individuals at UVU who have similar life experiences as you.

