**Advisors & Counselors Network**

**September 14th, 2021**

**8:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.**

**Teams link:** [See](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_ZGQ2ODAxMzEtNmI0ZS00MmViLTgxNzAtZDM0NGNhMjA4OGYz%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%220bca7ac3-fcb6-4efd-89eb-6de97603cf21%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22327b05a9-50f7-44d4-9745-5b7f1f28a548%22%7d) Below – recording will be posted on ACN website

Members Present: 92

Welcome:

1. Global and International Studies and Study Abroad

*Sharon Gosz, Christine Wolf, Yomarie Castellano, & Ramona Washington*

1. Study Abroad Updates
   1. Return to study abroad
      1. There still is a restriction 🡪 all subject to review
   2. Exchange and study abroad provider partners providing on-site programs and internships, including virtual offerings
      1. Summer 2021: 5 students
      2. Fall21/AY 21-22: 15 students
      3. As of 9/13/21 there are 6 apps for UWinterm/Spring 22
         1. Seeing strong interest moving forward
   3. International Travel policy ([linked](https://apps.uwm.edu/secu-policies/storage/other/SAAP%2010-11.%20International%20Travel%20Policy.pdf))
      1. Travel risk assessment
      2. Letter of support – can be faculty or advisors!
         1. May be the students last chance to study abroad
   4. Currently accepting UWinterm and Spring 2022 applications through **October 1**
   5. Summer/Fall AY applications will be open approx.. Jan 22 through March 1
   6. Virtual Advising
2. What are the benefits of a virtual international education experience?
   1. Fosters global, cross-cultural engagement when physical travel is not an option.
   2. Serves as an influential experience to build students' skills, résumé, and cross-cultural understanding. This can also be a great foundation for future on-site international experiences.
   3. With a virtual internship, students will work on projects for an international organization from their home base in the U.S. while adding a global perspective to their professional work experience.
   4. It's cost effective, flexible, accessible, fun and a gateway to other adventures.
      1. Students have been resilient!
   5. Helps prepare our students to navigate the digital global world they will enter upon graduation.
   6. Students earn UWM elective credit.
      1. [Course equivalency approval process](https://uwm.edu/cie/study-abroad/academics-2/course-equivalency-approval/)
3. How can advisors help?
   1. Encourage students to:
      1. Consider study abroad and international internship experiences (onsite and/or virtual) and to plan early.
      2. Attend a [virtual Financing Study Abroad 101 information session](https://uwm.edu/cie/upcoming/)
         1. Cost is always the #1 question about studying abroad
      3. Research scholarships and their deadlines
         1. Begin search on our [website](https://uwm.edu/cie/study-abroad/financial-planning/scholarshipsandgrants/)
   2. Assist them by:
      1. Discussing study abroad timing and academic planning.
      2. Identifying courses that may be equivalent to UWM.
      3. Providing letter of support for travel risk assessment.
         1. Can be an email
   3. Encourage your students to schedule a virtual study abroad advising appointment with our team (email [overseas@uwm.edu](mailto:overseas@uwm.edu) or call (414) 229-4846).
   4. When in doubt, contact CIE. How can we support you?
4. Global and International Studies Updates
   1. New location: Bolton 610
   2. New Department
   3. New tracks
      1. Merging with FICL
      2. [cawolf@uwm.edu](mailto:cawolf@uwm.edu)
5. IDEAS Grant (link the following article - https://uwm.edu/news/uwm-awarded-grant-to-diversify-study-abroad/)
   1. Funded by the U.S. Department of State
   2. Capacity-building program for U.S. study abroad
   3. Collaboration between CIE and GS/IS, with support from GIE
   4. Inspired by the Summer 2020 campus dialogues centered on race
      1. Created a new UWM course and faculty-led study abroad program - Black Lives Matter: A Global Comparative Study
   5. Goal
      1. Increase participation of Black students in study abroad and Black faculty leading study abroad programs
   6. Spring 2022 co-taught course (5 faculty; 3-week modules)
      1. Ermitte Saint Jacques, Department of African and African Diaspora Studies.
      2. Gladys Mitchell-Walthour, Department of African and African Diaspora Studies
      3. Jennifer Kibicho, College of Nursing
      4. Portia Cobb, Peck School of the Arts
      5. David Pate, Helen Bader School of Social Welfare
   7. Summer 2022 program to United Kingdom
   8. For information about the BLM course and faculty-led summer study abroad program, visit studyabroad.uwm.edu. Thanks in advance for helping CIE promote the course and study abroad program!
6. Let’s stay in touch!
   1. Center for International Education
      1. **Website:**[studyabroad.uwm.edu](http://studyabroad.uwm.edu/)
      2. **Email:**[overseas@uwm.edu](mailto:overseas@uwm.edu)
      3. **Phone:** 414-229-4846
      4. **Business Hours:** Mon.-Thurs., 10 am – 4pm; Fri., 11 am – 2 pm CT
      5. **Teams Chat:** Mon.-Fri., 8 am-4 pm CT
      6. **Video/Phone Advising:** Tue.-Thurs., 12 – 2 pm CT
      7. **Office Location:** Garland Hall 138
      8. <https://www.facebook.com/uwmstudyabroad/>
      9. <https://www.instagram.com/uwmcie/>
      10. <https://twitter.com/cieuwm>
7. CPaRC – Fall Events & Fairs

*Jean Salzer*

1. [Career Planning and Resource Center](https://uwm.edu/careerplan/) – supporting students as they decide what careers to pursue – from making decisions about majors to supporting their job and internship searches, resume reviews and interview preparation.
2. Back in person! Sign up via Handshake. Virtual and in-person appointments
3. Career closet is back open - students can drop-in to pick something out or request it [via the website](https://uwm.edu/careerplan/career-closet-request/)
   1. Taking donations – largest need is for female identified clothing: blouses and jackets
4. Upcoming fairs: No Virtual Volunteers
   1. JCPenny online suit up event
      1. QR code can be used to register, student will receive up to 60% off
      2. 9/17-9/19
   2. Part time job and internship fair
      1. Many employers on and off campus
      2. 9/22 11-2
      3. In-person
   3. Non-profit and government career fair
      1. 10/5 11-2
      2. In-person
   4. Fall career fair
      1. 10/7 11-2
      2. In person
   5. Exploring majors fair is in limbo - more information to come
5. Workforce Recruitment Program
   1. Finding employment for students or recent graduates with disabilities to work for the federal government
6. Design your plan with CPARC
   1. Refreshed and will send out form link to ACN list for orders
7. T-shirts!
   1. Dream, plan, do
   2. Chat with students about this and direct them to CPARC
   3. First student that asks about the t-shirts gets  their own t-shirt
   4. Other students get tickets for other giveaways
   5. More info to come
8. Ashley Hale is a new employer relations coordinator
9. Join the ACN Board - Public Relations Coordinator

*ACN Co-Chairs*

1. Natalie Vang has moved to a new position outside of UWM
2. Public Relations Coordinator role is open for applications!
3. Email Katie and Amanda to apply
4. Position is in charge of
   1. updates on the website
   2. Moderating the meetings
5. *CAMPUS COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS*
   1. WCPA coming up this October – All UWM staff can attend for the free October 7-8
      1. This is virtual
      2. Funded by UWM
   2. Roberto Hernandez Center
      1. New hire – Monica Olague-Marchan
      2. Come meet her!
      3. https://uwm.edu/studentinvolvement/arts-and-entertainment/sociocultural-2/hispanic-heritage-month/
   3. Graduate School Open House
      1. Virtual 10/28 evening event
      2. [Linked](https://uwm.edu/graduateschool/openhouse/)
      3. Fee waiver – attends open house and then starts app, app cost will be covered
      4. GRE waive in 2022? Do not have sense of how many individual areas have suspended the admissions test. Suggests referring to the individual program page, as it is up to the program not the graduate school.
   4. School of Architecture and Urban Planning
      1. Emily Zahasky – new undergraduate advisor
   5. Admissions – Mellencamp 212 office is no longer open 🡪 everyone head to the Welcome Center
   6. Leadership Programs
      1. [linked](https://uwm.edu/studentinvolvement/leadership/programs/)

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Due to the number of attendees, please use the chat feature if you have any questions.

**Next ACN Meeting:  October 12, 2021   8:30-9:50 am, Teams**

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**TBD, Public Relations Coordinator** *(If you would like to apply for this position, please email knack@uwm.edu)*