



September 28, 2020

Dear Colleagues,

Since the spring of 2016, several of your colleagues from across the College have participated in the **Global Classrooms (GC) Faculty Fellowship**. The fellowship has given faculty members the opportunity to develop their knowledge and experience of the innovative teaching method of Collaborative On-line International Learning (COIL), which connects students and faculty from geographically distant locations and diverse lingua-cultural backgrounds in order to enhance cultural awareness and knowledge. We would like to invite faculty who have an interest and/or experience in internationalizing their courses to apply to the **Spring 2021-Fall 2021 Global Classrooms cohort**. The Humanities Division and ELITE are funding this fellowship. The purpose of the Fellowship is to prepare interested and globally aware MC faculty to interact virtually with faculty from our partner schools in El Salvador, Ethiopia, and other international partner institutions with the eventual goal of creating curriculum aimed at increasing global self-awareness and perspective taking in both students and faculty.

Fellows commit to two semesters of participation for which they will receive **one ESH** per academic semester. The spring semester focuses on establishing a relationship with a faculty member from a partner institution via email, text, and virtual conversations. Fellows will continue building that relationship and planning for their Global Classroom project during the summer months. The fall semester focuses on executing a Global Classrooms project with students from both institutions. Participants in the GC Fellowship will meet with lead trainers and fellow faculty members Shelley Jones and Carla Naranjo on the following Fridays throughout the semester from 2:00-4:00pm. Sessions will be held via ZOOM until further notice.

<u>Spring 2021 Dates</u>	<u>Fall 2021 Dates</u>
Friday 2/5	Friday 9/17
Friday 3/5	Friday 10/8
Friday 4/2	Friday 11/5
Friday 4/30	Friday 12/3

Our meetings will include lectures on COIL methodologies, group discussions about best practices, presentations by guest speakers, and applicable technology trainings. In addition, members of the cohort will present on their progress throughout the two semesters and culminate the Fellowship with a Global Classrooms Showcase.

Upon completion of the GC Fellowship, participants will have:

- Researched and discussed Global Classrooms projects and Collaborative On-Line Learning methods from around the country.
- Established a working relationship with a faculty member from a partner institution by executing 2-4 virtual meetings with his/her international partner.
- Articulated and developed Global Classrooms project outcomes and associated assessments.
- Executed at least one Global Classrooms project in a course.

If you are interested, please complete the attached application form by the deadline of **Friday, October 23, 2020**. You may email the completed application to the attention of Shelley Jones and Carla Naranjo. Please cc your Department Chair and Dean as well. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Shelley Jones or Carla Naranjo at the emails below.

Thank you for the interest and we look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,

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