

INTERNATIONAL FUTURES



International
OPPORTUNITIES

The world has changed! Just because we are unable to travel at the moment, it doesn't mean that you cannot still **#stayinternational** and **be a global citizen!**

Running from February to May 2021, our International Futures programme is a series of online events and celebrations allowing you to continue engage with the outside world, from your sofa! Other events will be announced over the trimester, under the International Futures banner - please keep an eye on social media and the **Student Hub** for updates!

We hold International Opportunities Virtual Offices every Wednesday from 2-3pm and every Thursday from 4-5pm. Special focus Virtual Offices are included in this programme but students are able to join us each week regardless of queries - come along! Virtual Offices will run until Friday 28 May.

We're excited to see you online to discuss and make sense of the world! This is a fun programme of events for **ALL** students whether you are from Salford and/or anywhere else! Come along and get involved in our **#stayinternational** conversations.

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Date	Activity	How to get involved
From Wednesday 3 February, 1-2pm	<p>Global Conversations - Should the Games go on? The Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games vs COVID-19</p> <p>Professor Andy Miah (@andymiah) is Chair in Science Communication & Future Media in the School of Science, Engineering, and Environment. He has conducted research at every Olympic Games since Sydney 2000 and has recently focused on how esports are transforming our world. This session will talk about the international Olympic Movement, the impact of COVID-19 on the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, and how innovation communities around mega events are re-imagining the world for the 21st century and uniting people from all walks of life.</p>	Join us on Blackboard
Wednesday 3 February, 2-3pm	<p>Trail Blazer for the University of Salford's Inaugural Tedx event</p> <p>Professor Andy Miah is one of the speakers for the inaugural TEDx University of Salford event, taking place on March 6th, 2021. Tune in to this Instagram Live event for a sneak peek into what he'll be discussing.</p> <p>tedxuniversityofsalford.com</p> <p>The International Opportunities usual Virtual Office will not take place on this day - please see other events for alternative options.</p>	Join us on Instagram
Thursday 4 February, 4-5pm	<p>International Opportunities Virtual Office - Erasmus+ and Europe focus</p> <p>Our first weekly roadshow of Trimester 2. Open to all students who are interested in international opportunities.</p>	Join us on Blackboard
Friday 5 February, 2:30-3pm	<p>An introduction to your international opportunities from late summer 2021</p> <p>This session is for students interested in taking part in either study or work opportunities from summer 2021 (subject to COVID-19 developments).</p> <p>Come and meet the International Opportunities Team to discover how to access the world and get ahead of the game.</p>	Check our social media

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Friday 5 February, 3pm	<p>Screening of Granada nights Enjoy a story of self-discovery. A British tourist in Spain struggles to mend his broken heart, but with his new foreign friends he crashes into the heart of the international student scene. Watch the trailer.</p> <p>The screening will be followed by Q&As.</p>	Check our social media
Wednesday 10 February, 2-3pm	<p>International Opportunities Virtual Office - Canada focus This session is for students interested in studying on the International Exchange programme in Canada.</p> <p>Did you know we have partners in the following cities in Canada? Toronto - Humber College Montreal - University of Montreal Kamloops - Thompson Rivers University</p> <p>Come and find out about your options and discover Canada! Your options depend on your programme.</p>	Join us on Blackboard
Thursday 11 February, all day event	<p>Global Event: Women scientists at the forefront of the fight against COVID-19 - Online live from Paris Supporting female STEM students and how to engage in international opportunities for science and technology.</p>	Visit UNESCO
Friday 12 February, all day event	<p>Chinese New Year - The Year of the Ox "Oxen are the hard workers in the background, intelligent and reliable, but never demanding praise".</p>	Follow the online activities
Monday 15 February, 4-5pm	<p>Love around the world! Did you know that many people meet their future partners whilst on exchange? Studies show that an estimated 1 million babies have been born as a result of the long running Erasmus+ programme. If you're looking for love, international opportunities are a good start!</p> <p>To celebrate Valentine's Day, we will look at how people in other countries get together, what their first dates look like, how they love each other and get married and what are the traditions. We can't promise you flowers, cake or chocolates but we'll take you on a romantic world tour to see who does love best!</p>	Join us on Blackboard

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Wednesday 17 February, 1-2pm	<p>Global Conversations - Crowdfunding/Fundraising</p> <p>We offer complimentary funding for students taking part in Erasmus+ study or work placements and some of our short-term opportunities are either fully or partially funded.</p> <p>However, if you are looking to take part in our International Exchange programme to non-EU countries, you may need to raise your own funding. This session will provide some ideas and tips on how to get started.</p>	Check our social media
Wednesday 17 February, 2-3pm	<p>International Opportunities Virtual Office - City University Hong Kong - Health and Society students only</p> <p>This session is for students from the School of Health and Society interested in studying at our partner, City University Hong Kong.</p>	Join us on Blackboard
Thursday 18 February, 4-5pm	<p>International Opportunities Virtual Office - LGBTQ+ focus as part of LGBTQ+ History Month</p> <p>There are cultural differences in every country and some are more accepting of LGBTQ+ communities than others. This session looks at what to expect and how to prepare for your time overseas.</p>	Join us on Blackboard
Friday 19 February, 1-2:30pm	<p>International Exchange</p> <p>Interested in studying at one of our partners in the US, Canada, Australia, Hong Kong, Malaysia or South Korea? Come find out more!</p>	Join us on Blackboard
Saturday 20 February, all day event	<p>National #Loveyourpetday</p> <p>We love our pets! Join us online competition to submit your photos of your favourite pets!</p>	Check our social media
Monday 22 February, 1-2pm	<p>How to prepare!</p> <p>Student Planning Document</p> <p>A special one-off session to help you complete your Student Planning Document and what documents you need to apply to take part in international opportunities.</p> <p>Students are expected to conduct their own research, but we are on hand to help with any queries that you can't find the answers to on our website.</p>	Join us on Blackboard

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Wednesday 24 February, 2pm-3pm	<p>International Opportunities Virtual Office - USA focus This session is for students interested in studying in the US at our partners in the following cities:</p> <p>Chicago, Illinois - Columbia College Chicago Cedar Rapids, Iowa - Coe College Murfreesboro, Tennessee - Middle Tennessee State University Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania - Point Park University Lexington, Virginia - Virginia Military Institute Detroit, Michigan - Wayne State University Winona, Minnesota - Winona State University Ada, Ohio - Ohio Northern University</p> <p>Your options depend on your programme.</p>	Check our social media
Thursday 25 February, 4-5 pm	<p>International Opportunities Virtual Office - South Korea focus: Arts, Media and Creative Technology students only! This session is for students from AMCT interested in studying at our partner, Sogang University, in Sinchon, the centre of Seoul, South Korea.</p>	Join us on Blackboard
Wednesday 3 March, 2-3pm	<p>International Opportunities Virtual Office - Australia and Vietnam focus This session is for students interested in studying at our partner, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology in either Australia or Vietnam.</p>	Join us on Blackboard
Friday 5 March	<p>REMINDER: International Exchange and Erasmus+ study applications deadline for studies in 2021-22 academic year</p>	
Wednesday 17 March, 1-2pm	<p>Global Conversations - What happens next? This session is aimed at students who have applied for study placements and will help with any queries you have about the process now. Students who have not yet applied for international opportunities are still able to join us for help with queries.</p>	Check our social media
Wednesday 17 March, 2-3pm	<p>International Opportunities Virtual Office - Traineeships special Looking to work in the EU over the summer? We provide Erasmus+ funding for 60-day mobility periods. This session will also include any placements outside of the EU that are available at the time - i.e. British Council internships.</p>	Check our social media

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Saturday 20 March, all day event	International Day of Happiness Get involved in our social media debate to let us know what makes you happy! We love travel, city breaks, being at the beach, mountains, meeting people and eating fantastic food in beautiful settings. What do you love?	Check our social media
Wednesday 31 March, 1-2pm	Global Conversations - What will I eat? This session will be about...food! What can you expect to eat when you travel overseas to our partners? What about vegetarians? This session will deal with different eating habits and what to expect when you travel overseas. Note, not everywhere has a Greggs!	Check our social media
Friday 23 April, 4-5pm	St George's Day - Who do you think you are? This session looks at what it means to be 'English'? An exploration of English identity and belonging? What are typical English characteristics and how do the English differ from other countries? Do you become more 'English'/your nationality when you travel overseas? What can you expect when you take part in International Opportunities? Online Quiz	Check our social media
Wednesday 28 April, 1-2pm	Global Conversations - How to be a global citizen Nursing lecturer, Natalie Yates-Bolton, will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outline the Oxfam definition of what it means to be a global citizen; • Share the opportunities she has had to develop her identity as a global citizen from being a 4-year-old to now; • Signpost how students can reflect on their experience to date of being a global citizen and how to make the most of future opportunities. 	Check our social media

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Sunday 9 May, all day event	<p>Europe Day Europe Day is held on 9 May every year and celebrates peace and unity in Europe. The date marks the anniversary of the historic 'Schuman declaration'. At a speech in Paris in 1950, Robert Schuman, the then French foreign minister, set out his idea for a new form of political cooperation in Europe, which would make war between Europe's nations unthinkable.</p> <p>The University of Salford will continue to take part in the ground-breaking EU initiative, the Erasmus+ programme until May 2023. We use this day to celebrate all our European partners. Check out our social media on the day for testimonials from students who have studied or worked in the EU and for highlights of some of our partners in the EU.</p>	Europa.eu
Wednesday 12 May 1-2pm	<p>Global Conversations: Virtual Internships: why they are essential to the Future of Work Colleagues from Virtual Internships will discuss your options for summer 2021 and beyond.</p>	Register in advance for this webinar: https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_AWq3okb-RziVgSTgJuFxUQ
Friday 14 May, 3-4pm	<p>Pre-departure session Obligatory for all students with a place confirmed for study or work placements from summer 2021 onwards.</p>	Check our social media
Friday 14 May, 4pm onwards	<p>Social event An event for all students taking part in international opportunities in 2021-22 to get to know each other and learn from experiences</p>	Check our social media
From Friday 14 May	<p>The Great Debate Tell us how you feel about global citizenship and what it means to you! Get involved in the conversation everyone is talking about!</p>	Check our social media

DON'T FORGET TO KEEP AN EYE ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA FOR EXCITING NEWS AND COMPETITIONS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR! STUDENT SUCCESS STORIES WILL ALSO BE CELEBRATED THROUGHOUT THE TRIMESTER ON THE [STUDENT HUB](#) AND [MADE IN SALFORD BLOG](#).

PLEASE HEAD TO THE [INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES WEBSITE](#) OR EMAIL SALFORD-IOT@SALFORD.AC.UK FOR FURTHER INFO ON ANY OF THESE EVENTS.