



Wyoming State Excellence Initiative Visiting Senior Scholar in Global Studies

The Wyoming Excellence in Higher Education Endowment, created by the Wyoming Legislature in 2006, established an endowment for the creation of senior faculty positions for distinguished scholars and educators at the University of Wyoming. The Global & Area Studies Program invites applications for the in-residence *UW Visiting Senior Scholar in Global Studies* position as part of this effort. The annual scholar-in-residence program hosts a senior professional with international affairs expertise and a background in government service, academics, diplomacy, journalism, writing, and/or NGOs at the UW campus in Laramie, Wyoming for one semester or a full academic year. We seek a visiting scholar who will engage students, faculty, and Wyoming citizens in meaningful international discussions of pressing global issues.

Although the specific area of expertise and scholarly interest are flexible, we anticipate that this program will appeal to those individuals on leave or transitioning from a career in public policy or on leave from their institution. While in residence, the Visiting Senior Scholar in Global Studies will work with UW faculty to design and teach a course focused on their primary expertise and current project(s). The program will also include mentoring of students, faculty/student workshops, and speaking engagements around Wyoming, as well as time for writing and project development.



Global & Area Studies Director Dr. David Messenger, 2016-17 Senior Visiting Scholar Ambassador Gary Grappo and Center for Global Studies Director Dr. Jean Garrison in Grand Teton National Park, Jackson Hole.

Visiting Senior Scholar Position Objectives:

Provide a setting and resources for senior-career professionals to share their expertise on international affairs and international problems with UW students.

Enrich the intellectual community in Global and Area Studies and the Center for Global Studies and develop professional relationships between visiting scholars and the university that continue beyond their time in residence.

Build a broader program, around the expertise of visiting scholars, to engage faculty and students in substantive discussion of their work and research questions with a broad understanding of their social implications.

Terms:

The appointment is for one semester to begin in Fall 2017 or Spring 2018. Appointments of up to one academic year may be considered. The stipend is competitive and commensurate with experience, rank, or accomplishment. Depending on specific circumstances airfare, transportation, housing arrangements, and health insurance can be part of the negotiations. The position is housed within the Global & Area Studies Program at the University of Wyoming, but work with other departments and faculty and as part of the University's Center for Global Studies is expected.

Application Deadline & Contact Information:

The deadline for application is **February 3, 2017**. To apply, send: a curriculum vitae or professional resume and cover letter, which includes a description of teaching interest and proposed writing project, to **Dr. David Messenger**, Director of the Global & Area Studies Program, dmesseng@uwyo.edu or (307) 766-6276. Paper or email applications are accepted.

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Past & Current Visiting Scholars

2015-16: Ambassador Gary Grappo, former US Ambassador to Oman, career foreign service officer

2015-16: Dr. George Varughese, senior leader, Asia Foundation

Spring 2015: Ahmed Rhazaoui, United Nations Development Program senior leader

Fall 2014: Elinor Burkett, author and international journalist

2013-13: Ambassador Marc Wall, former US Ambassador to Chad, career foreign service officer

Global Studies at UW:

UW's interdisciplinary Global and Area Studies Program supports an undergraduate degree in international studies, a traditional MA degree in international studies, as well as a joint MA in international studies and environment and natural resources. We have embraced the task to lead campus internationalization efforts and to work with

communities across the state to bring the world to Wyoming. We work closely with the Center for Global Studies, a research entity designed to support and foster international research amongst faculty, graduate students and undergraduates across campus and to showcase this research to the university community and to the state of Wyoming.



Professors Marcus Watson and Young Ashley at a Global & Area Studies Workshop

University of Wyoming & Laramie Area:

The University of Wyoming was founded in 1886, and has grown into a nationally-recognized research institution that boasts accomplished faculty and world-class facilities on a picturesque campus. The first university president, John Wesley Hoyt, established a curriculum focused on



UW's Old Main Building

arts and humanities and created a graduate and normal school. Additionally, as Wyoming's land-grant institution, the University taught courses in agriculture, engineering, and military tactics. UW has since grown into a major teaching and research university with approximately 13,000 students and over 600 faculty members. For a more in depth look at the University of Wyoming's history and virtual tour, please see Connecting Wyoming to the

World: A History of the University of Wyoming Virtual Exhibit at <http://www.uwyo.edu/ahc/eduoutreach/exhibits/uw-history/>.

The city of Laramie, population 30,000, is a vibrant college community located by car 45 minutes west of Cheyenne, an hour north of Ft. Collins, Colorado, and two hours north of Denver, Colorado. It is surrounded on the east by the Laramie Range Mountains and to the southwest the Snowy Range Mountains whose peaks rise above 12,000 feet. The Laramie vicinity is an outdoor mecca with world class hiking, mountain biking, rock climbing, cross-country skiing, and snow-shoeing less than 15 minutes from town. Laramie is also served locally by the Snowy Range Ski area and is two hours from Steamboat Springs, Colorado.



Lake Marie, Snowy Range Mountains

Wyoming Excellence Initiative:

The 2006 Wyoming Legislature established the Excellence in Higher Education Endowment, which included an endowment for the creation of senior faculty positions for highly distinguished scholars and educators at the University of Wyoming. The legislation endowment states that the endowed positions must expand university instruction and research in disciplines related to economic and social challenges facing Wyoming. These faculty positions are in areas of distinction as identified in the university academic plan, including business, arts and humanities, mathematics, cultural studies, economics, education, and law. Each of the scholars will have established reputations in their field. They will have the opportunity to develop and lead nationally and internationally recognized programs, and are expected to be magnets for attracting the best and brightest to the University of Wyoming.



Former Soviet Premier
Mikhail Gorbachev with
International Studies MA Student
Tom Lennon