



Globalize Your Curriculum

Join the Fulbright in the Curriculum (FICC) Virtual Series

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[Rockville, MD] – October 9, 2025 – Community college faculty and staff are invited to elevate their curriculum and empower diverse students through "Fulbright In The Curriculum" (FICC), a free virtual event series during International Education Week, **November 17-21, 2025** sponsored by the [Community Colleges Chapter of the Fulbright Association](#).

Why is FICC Critical for Community Colleges?

This series directly addresses the core mission of "democracy's colleges": **Workforce Readiness and Student Equity**. Today's employers demand workers with global competencies. FICC provides the concrete tools to integrate these skills into *every* course—from **Workforce Education, Student Success**, to **STEM**—making global learning accessible to students who may never travel abroad. It also champions **equity** by breaking down barriers to the prestigious Fulbright Program and resources for non-traditional and underrepresented community college students, faculty, and staff.

Event Highlights:

- **Pathways to Fulbright (Nov 17 & 20):** Learn about opportunities for your students and yourself from alumni like Mariam Yaldram (Fulbrighters with Disabilities Chapter) and Allison Gilmore (Fulbright Noir Chapter).
 - Nov 17 at 12 p.m. ET with Mariam Yaldram. Zoom access [here](#). Registration is required.
 - Nov 20 at 5 p.m. ET with Allison Gilmore. Zoom access [here](#). Registration is required.

- **Research & Advocacy (Nov 18):** Dr. Melissa Whatley will share data linking international education to measurable **student success and credential completion**, providing vital evidence for institutional advocacy.
 - Nov 18 at 2 p.m. ET with Dr. Melissa Whatley. Zoom access [here](#). Registration is required.
- **Workforce Readiness (Nov 19):** Dr. Robin Matross Helms will focus on practical strategies for globalizing CTE and career programs.
 - Nov 19 at 4 p.m. ET with Dr. Robin Matross Helms. Zoom access [here](#). Registration is required.
- **Global Challenges Teaching Awards (Nov 21):** Lisa Sadler and Jessica McIvor of the US-UK Fulbright Commission will provide insight to the **financial support, training, and mentoring** for co-delivering **Virtual Exchange (VE-COIL)** programs that align with the **UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**.
 - Nov 21 at 12 p.m. ET with Lisa Sadler and Jessica McIvor. Zoom access [here](#). Registration is required.

This is a unique opportunity for **community college students, faculty, staff, and stakeholders** to access high-impact, one-hour professional development. Equip yourself with the knowledge to make global education a cornerstone of your college's student success and equity goals.

Registration for FICC is FREE - please register [here](#).

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