# AGGIES GO GLOBAL

Globalizing Students Through Meaningful International Opportunities Quarterly Newsletter No. 1 : January 2021

## THE AGGIES GO GLOBAL MISSION

Provide students with international opportunities and experiences to stimulate their educational development. AGGIES GO GLOBAL (AGG) supports all NMSU full-time graduate and undergraduate students across all majors, departments, and colleges. The program has been actively addressing student-identified needs by working to cultivate and enhance cultural awareness through interaction with globally experienced campus and community members for non-credit. The program also aims to extend funding and resources to students who have not yet traveled abroad. Main source of funding for AGG activities are provided by the College of ACES.



Happy New Year, Aggies from near and far!



### Interested in helping students experience the world? Make a Donation!

*Please mail to:* AGG, College of ACES, PO Box 30003, MSC 3AG Las Cruces, NM, 88003-8003

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Make an online donation through the link below: <u>https://advancing.nmsu.edu/single\_fund\_donation?fund=</u> <u>(101116-101CH)+Aggies+Go+Global&source=20814</u>

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### AGG by the Numbers

700+ students have traveled through or with assistance from AGG since 2009

70+ countries and territories visited

51 NMSU Departments represented

**20+** Partnerships with International Organizations

#### Contributions by

# NMSU Colleges & Departments

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# **STUDENT HIGHLIGHTS**

Autumn Pearson, Environmental Science Traveling to Costa Rica was life-altering...it instilled in me a care for the well-being of all people and places on this planet. It gave me confidence to begin going to other places and instead of only wishing to change the world, actually doing so.

Global Citizens Project 2018, Costa Rica

**Emily Creegan, Plant & Environmental Science** I did feel, right away, this level of 'Who are you, hello, open arms'. Let's talk about your background, the issues we're facing in our country, and maybe how we can assist each other.

Women Economic Forum 2018, India



**Camila Prieto, Agricultural Econ. & Business** Traveling abroad and attending the [forum] was a life changing experience; it was a lot more than I was expecting. Meeting with people from all over the world who were so successful and motivational impacted me [to acquire] new skills for my professional career.

Women Economic Forum 2019, India



Isa Casillas, Communication Studies

I really got to see what it means to experience culture shock...and those different feelings, and it was really cool. [You] read about them and you talk about them in class, but to actually experience them with a group of people—I'm very thankful for the opportunity.

Global Citizens Project 2019, Costa Rica

#### Women Economic Forum

What does a WEF Delegate experience?

- Present on a variety of topics on a global platform
- Network with female entrepreneurs, authors, and leaders from all over the world
- Participate in leadership workshops
- Explore intercultural communication
- Develop bonds of sisterhood



# AGG Supported Group Trip Featurettes

#### The Global Citizens Project

What do Global Citizen Scholars do?

- Travel to Costa Rica on a faculty-led, non-credit program
- Global Citizenship training, leadership workshops, and practice engaging in local/global communities
- Culture and language immersion
- Volunteer at a local agricultural and nature conservation organization
- Excursions! Nature hikes! River rafting!



# **Global Student Alliance**

The Global Student Alliance (GSA) is an organization for all NMSU students who have traveled abroad with the support of Aggies Go Global, or those who are interested in traveling in the future.

The primary objectives are networking, global cultural and language exchange, professional development, and relationship building. In line with NMSU regulations and policies, this organization also works to address student issues and to create an open environment for international travel and cultural discussions. All NMSU students are welcome to join GSA.

President: Ana C. Garcia Escalante Vice-President: Cheyenne Stice Vice-President: Ana C. Garcia Vasquez Treasurer: Alessandra Martinez



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