

# Global Study Program



**Soyoun Kang, Jeonbuk National University, South Korea**

“I will miss the kindness of people. The people here are very friendly, especially to foreign students. I am very thankful to GSP staff and students for making my time here in the U.S. so special.”



**Luisa Wingerath, RWTH Aachen University, Germany**

“I didn’t know anything about Thanksgiving before! We made a lot of great food and had such a good time. I’ll definitely miss my friends and my relationships with professors and TAs. It’s rare that students can be friends with teachers in Germany.”



**Andrea Rosalia Romo Pinto, Universidad Diego Portales, Chile**

“UC Davis gave more information about their program and seemed more supportive. They had courses I wanted to take in literature and linguistics, and the program looked more interesting and fun for international students. I now have friends from all over.”



**Ryotaro Okada, Ritsumeikan University, Japan**

“Americans are friendlier than I expected. In Japan, people don’t usually speak with people they have never met, but Americans usually do. Therefore, it’s easier to make friends. Davis is very safe and a comfortable place to live.”

## A Visiting Student Program

The Global Study Program at UC Davis allows students from select partner institutions to **take courses in a safe, peaceful environment, while studying under top professors** in the nation.

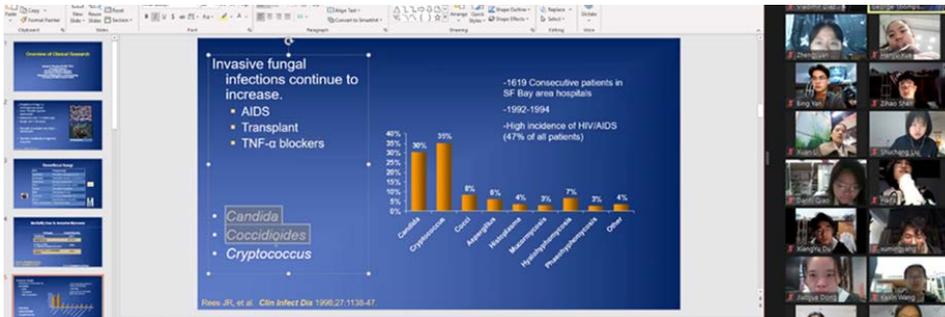
## 2020-2021 Highlights

### 141 students participated in International and Access Programs

- 41** attended the Global Study Program
  - 11** students were in-person for at least part of their program
  - 3.09** Average GPA
  - 11** Students achieved a 3.7 GPA or higher
- 100** attended online custom courses
  - 55** students achieved a 3.7 GPA or higher

**98 percent of students recommend the Global Study Program**

## Research Methodology Course in STEM offered in 2020-2021 for the First Time



UC Davis International Program's new online course *Research Methodology and Graduate Preparation in STEM* provides international undergraduates with an opportunity to learn about research from a Tier 1 U.S. research institution without leaving their home country. Led by UC Davis faculty, this online course focuses on introducing students to the culture of science in academia and connecting them with leaders in the fields of science, engineering, math and technology. The course curriculum includes:

- Lectures from leading faculty at UC Davis about their research career
- Tutoring for preparation of science research presentations
- Science Writing seminars
- Visit to a UC Davis research facility

During the 2020-2021 academic year, 130 students attended these virtual courses. Students attended classes from five distinct universities: Henan University School of Medicine, Tsinghua University, East China Normal University, South China University of Technology Department of Chemistry and Nanjing Agricultural Institution. They studied in a variety of fields including medicine, engineering, epidemiology and chemistry.

The course was well received with a 100% satisfaction rate. Student reflection essays regarding their overall experience in the course have been very positive. A coordinator from East China Normal University (ECNU) reported that most students have "gained a lot in this course," and that "ECNU is very satisfied with the outcome." The benefits of the course can also be seen in the feedback we received from the students:

"This course enables me to understand the daily work of researchers and gives me a clear positioning for becoming an excellent researcher." *Jing Chen*

"Remote learning provides us a channel to take foreign curriculum without going abroad and is a new way for us to integrate with the world. My English communication skills have improved and I'm not afraid to speak up because the faculty are so patient." *Xu Qian Liu*

"I found my research topic and career development direction carefully and accurately for the first time." *Hao Gong*

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### From Our Students

"GSP really takes care of its students. I studied abroad in the UK, after I got there, they kinda just let go. GSP always has a lot of events going on. I always know where to get help and the staff are nice."

**Yuri Shiraki, Doshisha University, Japan**

"Throughout the quarter, I felt very happy with the curriculum, class experience and the help provided by GSP. I did well in the final exams and obtained a GPA of 4.0 in all three courses."

**Chenyu Li, Zhejiang University, Remote Instruction Spring Quarter, China**

"My home university had a partnership with UC Davis because they are both agricultural schools, so it seemed like the right choice as someone who is studying animal science. Davis is the best school for animal science and the climate is great!"

**Maren-Helene Rud, Norwegian University of Life Sciences, Norway**

"The Global Study Program is the best program I've ever known! Everyone was really kind and nice. Thank you so much for giving me this chance to have a perfect experience!"

**Haijing Quan, Shandong University of Technology, China**

