



# Cross-Campus DEIA Oriented Partnerships, Collaboration & Strategies in Arizona University Libraries

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# Overview of AZ International Students

ASU is the No. 1 public university in US for hosting international students



## Total Number

**15,293** from **158 countries**  
in the 2021–22 academic  
year



## Increased Percentage

**17.5%** increase from the 2020–  
21 academic year with 13,015  
international students



## Trend 1

More graduate students



## Trend 2

More students from South  
Asian & Middle Eastern  
countries

# Highlighted Collaborators



**Christina Peck**  
Communications and Outreach Program  
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Senior International Student Program  
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Principal Lecturer, School of International  
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**Alexandra Humphrey**  
Middle Eastern Studies Librarian



**Daphne Gill**  
Assistant Director, User Services



**Rachel Leket-Mor**  
Open Stack and Jewish Studies Librarian

# Passport to ASU at Hayden Library



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## Level Three activities

### Data Science

Want to be a Data Science wizard? From engineering to history, there is more to data than just numbers. Sign-up for data science workshops to learn how to use technology and coding to turn your data into a compelling story.

### Global Studies Librarians

Meet global studies librarians, your ASU Library resource for all International students. Sit back and enjoy films on the big screen, play a game of Mahjong, and try your skills at Chinese calligraphy.

# International Students Game Nights





# International Students Orientation and Welcome Events



# Lunar New Year and Lantern Festivals





# Public Service Deep Dive for ARL Kaleidoscope Scholars

Presenters



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Shari Laster joined Arizona State University Library as the Head of Open Stack Collections in 2018, and served as the project coordinator for the "Future of Print" initiative at ASU Library. Shari's experience in librarianship includes government information print and digital collections, reference and instruction, social sciences data services, and digital scholarship librarianship.



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Rachel holds a Bachelor's degree in comparative literature and Hebrew linguistics from Hebrew University of Jerusalem, a graduate certificate in editing from Bar Ilan University, a Master's degree in translation studies from Tel Aviv University, and an MLIS from University of Arizona.



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# Other Campus-Wide Events and Orientations



**New Student and Family  
Orientation and Welcome**



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# The University of Arizona





- ❑ Engagement strategies
- ❑ Welcoming & safe space
- ❑ Opportunities to share experiences & opinions
- ❑ Covid-19 challenges
- ❑ Boost morale & spread a message of inclusion



## Cross-Campus Collaboration Events

- Global Write Nite
- Poetry from Around the World
- Scavenger Hunt
- Global Trivia Game Night
- Around the World in 7 1/2 Minutes





# Center for East Asian Studies at U of A

- Awarded Title VI Grant
- Supporting & promoting East Asian languages & studies
- Outreach to cultivate understanding of East Asia
- Assisted with the grant application process
- Future collaborative opportunities between the library & the center

## Challenges Faced

- Managing the unpredictable
- Insufficient staff
- Time constraints
- Budget limitations

## Lessons Learned

- ❑ Contingency plans
- ❑ A clear timeline
- ❑ Prioritize tasks
- ❑ Delegate to avoid burnout



# Thank You!

Any Questions?

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