

Global Community

NEWSLETTER

WELCOME!

What is a living-learning community?

A living-learning community (LLC) is a group of students who share a common academic or theme interest and live together in a residence hall. Residence Life partners with faculty and staff across campus to implement special programming related to the LLC focus. Students living in the LLC also have the opportunity to get to know these partners outside of the classroom.

What should I expect as part of the LLC?

Your RA will have information about a variety of activities and resources related to the topic of your LLC and academic support. Plan on being involved in various events and share your ideas for future programming! The more involved you are with the community, the more benefits you'll gain.



LLC partners welcoming students to Missouri State's campus!



Global LLC residents exploring Dickerson Park Zoo

MEET YOUR RA!

Jakob Homann

Major: International Business

Hello everyone, I'm Jakob Homann, and I will serve as the RA for the Global Living-Learning Community. I'm from a small German town, and I'm majoring in international business. After spending an exchange year in the United States, I came to Missouri State, and I've loved being a part of this friendly and diverse campus. I'm passionate about fostering cross-cultural relationships and establishing a welcoming atmosphere where everyone is welcome. You can probably find me traveling to new places or hanging out with friends when I'm not studying or organizing exciting activities for our floor. I'm excited to get to know you all and contribute to creating a year that is full of learning, joy, and treasured memories.



Take this survey
to tell Jakob what
events you want!

*you could win a \$50
gift card!

MEET DAEZIA!

Daezia Smith

Leadership Programs Specialist–International Programs



Daezia works in the International Programs office as the staff coordinator of the Global Leaders and Mentors Programs, and International Orientation. She's also a partner for the Global LLC, which means you'll see her at our events! She enjoys helping connect international and domestic students to help each group broaden their horizons and learn from one another. Daezia also co-leads the International Friends Program and the International Student Experience

Team. Through each program and team, Daezia hopes to encourage cross-cultural connection and communication. Feel free to reach out if you want to learn how you can get involved with international students! DaeziaSmith@MissouriState.edu

Other helpful staff to know:

Yi Wu – Marketing and Recruitment Specialist for International Programs. Contact Yi for questions about university communications at YiWu@MissouriState.edu.

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MEET CALI!

Cali Pettijohn

ELI Academic Specialist – English Language Institute



Hello! I'm Cali! I've been teaching English to international students on campus since 2008! I must say that it's the best job ever because I get to meet people from all over the world. It has really taught me a lot, and I'm eager to find ways for you to have similar experiences! To that end, I manage International Conversation Circles, which is one of the ways that you can interact with a variety of different people! They occur twice a week during the semester and are free and open to the public.

I'm really excited to be partnering with Global LLC again this year and I look forward to meeting each of you and helping you find ways to get engaged!

Conversation Circles

Join us for light conversation with people around the world!

Tues: Meyer
Library Room 107
4-5p

Thurs: JDMC
Room 500
4-5p

INTERNATIONAL CONVERSATION CIRCLES

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→ **TUESDAYS:**
MEYER LIBRARY ROOM 107
850 S John Q. Hammons Pkwy.
4:00-5:00 pm

→ **THURSDAYS:**
JDMC ROOM 500
301 S. Jefferson Ave.
4:00-5:00 pm

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CONVERSATION CIRCLES TODAY?
SEE YOU THERE!
DUH!
I'LL BRING A FRIEND!

LIGHT SNACKS & HOT TEA SERVED!



GET CONNECTED

There are lots of events & resources at MSU designed to help you get involved on campus!

One example is our annual **Belong-B-Que** event hosted by

the Student Resource Center during Welcome Weekend. This year's Belong-B-Que will be on Sunday, August 17 at 5:00 p.m. on the North Mall (in front of the PSU bear statue) (rain location: Foster Recreation Center). Make sure to check out this awesome event!

The **Mary Jean Price Walls Student Resource Center** (also called the Bear Cave) is a great resource all year long. It's located on the lower level of the Plaster Student Union, room 101, across from Starbucks, and open from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday - Friday. For more information about their programs and services, click [HERE](#).





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Tour of the Globe

Tour of the Globe is a cultural bazaar event hosted by International Programs, and it's always a learning experience for hosts and guests! The event involves music, food, and dances from around the world! This year's Tour of the Globe will take place on **Friday, November 7** from 5:30–8:30 p.m. If you want to keep up with similar events, follow International Programs on Instagram at **@MOStateGlobal!**



First Friday Art Walks

Visit the Downtown Arts District (near MSU) on the First Friday of every month to enjoy original art, live music, hands-on activities and live art demonstrations in more than 20 participating galleries. You can also enjoy fine and casual dining, cutting-edge fashion, one-of-a-kind retail, and vibrant nightlife throughout the historic heart of Springfield. Art Walks take place on the First Friday of each month from 6:00 pm – 10:00 pm. Grab some friends or join International Programs to check it out!





Want to learn more about Heitz House? Check out this video!

Your LLC Social will be on:

**Friday, August 15, at
4:00 pm in Heitz House**

You won't want to miss this
chance to meet your floor and
your LLC partners!

Join us for
international food and
get to know your new
neighbors!



Our campus **Bear Line** service can help you get around once you get to campus! Check out the routes offered by our shuttles so you can figure out the best ways to get to class and around town. There is even an app you can download to track each Bear Line and see current wait times! To learn more, click [HERE](#).



Want to check out where your classes are and where to park on campus? Visit the campus map [HERE](#).



Thursday, August 14

Button Making 3-5pm
Magers Health and Wellness Center
Room 100

Movie on the Mall 8:30pm
North Mall (Rain location: PSU Theater)
Follow @mostatesac for the movie announcement!



Friday, August 15

Snow Glad to See You
11am-2pm (rain or shine)
Plaster Student Union Patio

Playfair/Maroon Madness 6-9pm
Plaster Sport Complex (Rain location:
Hammons Student Center)



Saturday, August 16

Yoga 2-3pm
Magers Health and Wellness Center
Room 100

Bear Bash 7-10pm
North Mall and Plaster Student Union



Sunday, August 17

New Student Convocation 2-3pm
Great Southern Bank Arena

Student Organization Festival 3-5pm
Great Southern Bank Arena Concourse

Belong-B-Que 5-7pm
North Mall (Rain location: Foster Rec)

For the full list of events, click [HERE!](#)

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