

FOR A BETTER WORLD SINCE 1932
2017-2018 ANNUAL REPORT ON ACTIVITIES

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AT THE UNIVERSITY OF
CHICAGO

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1932 - 2017



MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

As director and an alumna of International House, I am fortunate to witness firsthand how our student life experience and public outreach programs transform people's lives for a better world. This year, it was especially exciting to celebrate International House's year-long 85th anniversary. The celebration began on our Founder's Day – October 5 – with a special concert by the late blues legend Eddy Clearwater and concluded in June with a series of lectures, concerts and receptions held during Alumni Weekend.

Founded in 1932 by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., International House of Chicago is today one of 19 members of the International Houses Worldwide (IHW) network. The members of IHW accommodate some 9,500 resident members annually from more than 125 countries. There are over 350,000 individuals who are able to claim alumni status at one or more of our organizational members and many of them give back to the movement through their annual financial and other voluntary contributions. This giving results in more than 800 scholarships offered annually which serve to promote the academic, economic, and geographic diversity of our member houses.

This report outlines our achievements and activities here at I-House Chicago over the past year. It documents our progress in service and engagement with our students and University departments, our alumni and supporters worldwide as well as with local communities and organizations throughout the City of Chicago. Through a wide array of activities, we have further expanded our role in enriching community life by sharing cultural resources and networks and offering a wide range of programs and services to our students, to the UChicago community and beyond.

As we look ahead to the 2018-2019 academic year, I would like to thank all members of the International House community for their ongoing commitment and their dedication to our mission. In an increasingly interconnected world, International House's mission to provide diverse students from different countries with the opportunity to live and learn together is more important than ever. Together, we can continue to strengthen a community which works to foster intellectual and cultural connections on campus and around the globe.

Denise M. Jorgens, AM'83, PhD'95

Director, International House of Chicago

President, International Houses Worldwide (2014-2018)



The central panel over the main entrance to International House symbolizes the coming together of people from the four quarters of the globe. The points of the compass mark the divisions, and the convention of the north at the top is used. The bosses in the arch are flowers of various countries. Starting from the lower left they are in the following order: Sunflower-Russia, Fleur-de-Lis-France, Rose-England, Maple Leaf-Canada, Poppy-India, Chrysanthemum-Japan, Lotus-Egypt, Narcissus-China.

ON THE COVER Our 85th Anniversary Celebration was launched on our Founder's Day on October 5 with a special concert by the late Chicago Blues legend Eddy "The Chief" Clearwater. This concert was supported in part by Bart Lazar, AB'82.

International Houses Worldwide Community



International Houses Worldwide (IHW), is a consortium of 19 International Houses that are separate, independent, nonprofit

institutions which span four continents and are united by one mission: **To provide students of different nationalities and diverse cultures with the opportunity to live and learn together in a community of mutual respect, understanding, and international friendship.**

Representatives from IHW met in Philadelphia during the annual NAFSA: Association of International Educators conference. A special reception was hosted by International House of Philadelphia to welcome their new director Josh Sevin. In addition, the annual meeting of all IHW directors was held May 20-25, 2018 at International Student House in Washington, DC. These annual gatherings provide IHW directors and other staff representatives with an opportunity to discuss issues and concerns related to the future of IHW and to share experiences and challenges related to international residential and program centers. Learn more about IHW at internationalhouseworldwide.org.



International Student House in Washington, DC recognized former Vice President Joe Biden for his service to our country and work on behalf of international dialogue and higher education at the 2017 Global Leadership Awards Dinner held on Wednesday, October 4. IHW directors participate in the annual Global Leadership Awards Dinner.

Davis Projects for Peace

International House graduate fellow, **Hekang Yang** has been awarded a Davis Projects for Peace grant for his project, *Curing the African Diaspora Community in Guangzhou, China: Disease Stigma and*



Hekang Yang

Health Care. Hekang Yang is an international student from China studying in the Master of Arts Program

in the Social Sciences Division. Learn more about his project and follow his six-week journey in China on our website at ihouse.uchicago.edu.

The **Davis Projects for Peace** are funded by the late Kathryn Wasserman Davis, a former resident of International House New York, who committed \$1 million to allow students to design and implement their own grassroots projects anywhere in the world with the goal of pro-



moting world peace. The Davis Projects for Peace initiative is open to all resident members of International Houses Worldwide. Hekang Yang's project was among the twenty projects of resident members of International Houses Worldwide funded at \$10,000 each in the summer of 2018.

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE GLOBAL VOICES PROGRAM

OUTREACH, COLLABORATIONS, AND INTERNSHIPS



International House serves the University and the Chicago-area community as a cultural center. Through the Global Voices Performing Arts & Lecture Series, International House presents programs that advance cross-cultural understanding and public discourse on community, national, and world affairs.

During the 2017-2018 academic year, over 100 public programs involving 140 strategic community and university partnerships were held and attended by approximately 35,000 individuals.

In addition, through the Global Voices—Jeff Metcalf Internship Program, 19 students from the College and I-House were provided professional training in

public programming, event management, marketing, and public relations. Founded in 1997 to honor Harold “Jeff” Metcalf, AM’53, and former member of the I-House board of governors, the Metcalf Internship Program makes it possible for undergraduates to receive the highly competitive and prestigious enrichment opportunities that they must have as a stepping stone to future employment.

2017-2018 Global Voices Performing Arts and Lecture Series Highlights

Lecture Series

The Global Voices Program and the Harris School of Public Policy Studies started the year off with the Diversity Luncheon, featuring a keynote address by Audrey Petty, editor of *High Rise Stories: Voices from Chicago Public Housing*. Valerie Jarrett, former and longest-serving senior advisor to President Barack Obama, discussed the crossroads of leadership, policy, and social change during the Harris School Day One Keynote Address. In his lecture titled *Speed Bumps, Traffic Calming, and Rebuilding the Built Environment*, Professor Paul Josephson of Colby College explored the history of traffic and the multitudinous failures to deal with it, including repeated, ineffective measures taken by various countries. In partnership with the Institute of Politics (IOP), Global Voices

co-sponsored a discussion on the importance of civic engagement, the state of democratic activism, and the recipe for a perfect ad read with the hosts of Crooked Media's *Pod Save America* including Jon Favreau, former Director of Speechwriting for Barack Obama from 2005-2013; Jon Lovett, former speechwriter for Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama; Dan Pfeiffer, former Senior Advisor to President Obama for Strategy and Communications; and Tommy Vietor, former spokesperson for the National Security Council. Karen Tumulty, National Political Correspondent for *The Washington Post*, moderated discussions with Republican National Committee Chairwoman Ronna McDaniel and Democratic National Committee Chairman Tom Perez, addressing the state of American politics, the future of their respective parties, and the 2018 midterm elections. International House and the Urban Readers Series presented John M. Eason and his book, *Big House on the Prairie: Rise on the Rural Ghetto and Prison Proliferation*. Hedy Weinberg, Executive Director of the American Civil Liberties Union of Tennessee, delivered this year's Social Justice Address titled *Bending the Bars: Mass Incarceration, Racial Disparities, and Criminal Justice Reform in 21st Century America*. John Dickerson, then Chief Washington Correspondent, *CBS News*; Karen Tumulty, IOP Resident Fellow and National Political Correspondent, *The Washington Post*; Dan Balz, Chief Washington Correspondent, *The Washington Post*; and David Maraniss, Associate Editor, *The Washington Post* joined us for a discussion on political journalism throughout 2017. Global Voices &

IOP welcomed Virginia Governor Terry McAuliffe and former South Carolina Governor Jim Hodges to discuss the unique priorities of the Democratic politics in the South, the challenges of addressing their states' legacies of oppression, and the recent increases in white supremacist violence. Pete Souza, renowned photojournalist who served as the Chief Official White House Photographer for Presidents Ronald Reagan and Barack Obama, presented his book *Obama: An Intimate Portrait*. The 12th annual Tetsuo Najita Distinguished Lecturer was Professor Naoyuki Umemori, whose talk was titled *America in Japan/Japan in America: Towards a Topographical Analysis of Japanese Intellectual History from KOTOKU Shusui (1871-1911) to ETO Jun (1932-1999)*. William Josephson, AB'52 and Senior Advisor to the Sargent Shriver Peace Institute, gave a talk titled *How to Prepare for the Next Presidential Election: The Electoral College, National Popular Vote, the New York Times, and Us*. The Institute of Politics welcomed Karen Freeman-Wilson, Mayor of Gary; Michael Hancock, Mayor of Denver; Mitch Landrieu, Mayor of New Orleans; and Martin J. Walsh, Mayor of Boston as they discussed the ways in which their city governments have adapted to federal gridlock by creating innovative solutions to public problems. United Nations Ambassador Nikki R. Haley visited International House for a discussion moderated by the Institute of Politics Director David Axelrod. The youngest female Parliament member in Israeli history, Stav Shaffir joined International House for a discussion on the progressive movement and social activism.

THE GLOBAL VOICES PROGRAM & HARRIS PUBLIC POLICY PRESENT
THE DAY ONE KEYNOTE ADDRESS FEATURING
VALERIE JARRETT
September 20, 2017 | 4:30 PM
Free and Open to the Public
International House
Assembly Hall
1411 E. 58th Street
Chicago, IL 60637



Please join the Global Voices Lecture Series and Harris Public Policy for the Day One Keynote Address given by Valerie Jarrett, former and longest-serving senior advisor to President Barack Obama, and moderated by Michael Strautmanis, Jarrett's Chief of Staff. The address brings local, national, and global conversations to the University of Chicago. Jarrett's lecture will inspire listeners to contemplate their role in complex global and social issues and craft a vision for the future of policy leaders and social change. The address will focus on the crossroads of leadership, social change, and policy. This event is a part of Harris Public Policy's Day One Welcome Week.

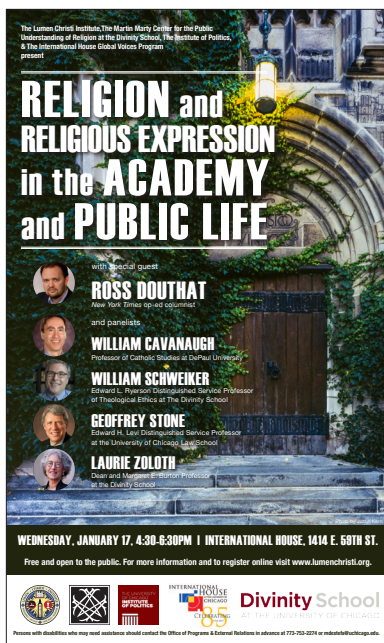
DAY 1 WELCOME WEEK | **INTERNATIONAL HOUSE CHICAGO** | **HARRIS PUBLIC POLICY**

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This year's Annual Intersectional Animal Rights Talk welcomed Jasmin Singer, LGBTQ+ and Animal Rights activist. The International House Global Voices Program and the IOP welcomed former US Secretary of State Madeleine Albright for a discussion of her new book, *Fascism: A Warning*. Continuing with our Diplomatic Encounters Series, Ambassador of Pakistan Aizaz Ahmad Chaudhry gave a talk on Pakistan-US relations. Mark Lippert, former US Ambassador to South Korea discussed international security as it relates to North Korea, China, and US allies during the talk *Is Peace with North Korea Possible?* moderated by Dr. Robert Pape, Chicago Project on Security and Threats at UChicago.

Conferences & Symposiums

International House partnered with Rotary International and the Harris School of Public Policy Studies to host the first of a three-part series on issues of peace and conflict: *Peace in the Age of Uncertainty*, an event during which global leaders exposed new perspectives on enduring issues by sharing their stories, expertise, and advice. For the 27th Annual Fallfest, the Chicago Humanities Festival dug deep into the question of what is “belief”, faith in the divine, commitment to a cause, conviction about the truth, and trust in our institutions. The Prairie State Society's inaugural lecture featured state representatives Will Guzzardi and Theresa Mah in conversation with recently retired Assistant Majority Leader in the Illinois General Assembly, Elaine Nekritz. International House and the Harris School of Public Policy Studies welcomed



national security leaders Doug Lute, Frank Taylor, and Sherri Ramsay to discuss the geopolitics of cybersecurity threats facing our democracy in a discussion titled *Protecting U.S. Election Infrastructure*. The Global Voices Program and the Lumen Christi Institute presented a panel discussion entitled *Religion and Religious Expression in the Academy and Public Life*, featuring University of Chicago faculty members and Ross Douthat, author and *New York Times* op-ed columnist. *Libya, Modern Slavery, and the Global Migration Crisis*, a panel on human trafficking, featured panelists Dr. Lynette Jackson, Ted Williams, Brenda Myers-Powell, and Mike Simmons, as well as moderator Dr. Amara Enyia. This year's Harris Inter-Policy School Summit Keynote & Opening Reception focused on the relationship between cybersecurity and trade and featured speaker Nicholas Percoco, Chief Security Officer of Uptake. The Global Voices Program, the Center for the Study of Race, Politics, and Culture, and the Center for

International Social Science Research hosted *The Politics of Race in Global Perspective: A Symposium in Honor of Mark Q. Sawyer*, honoring Sawyer's life and work. The *Jeju 4.3 Reconciliation Conference* sought recommendations and resolutions for next steps toward health, healing, and justice that not only supported and benefited the Jeju 4.3 survivors and families, but also uplifted Jeju globally as an environmental and sustainable “Peace Island”. The Global Voices Program presented TEDxUChicago 2018: *Look Again*, a conference featuring “ideas worth spreading” from voices in the Chicago community. The 6th Latin American Matters Policy Forum: *Disrupting the Region's Status Quo* provided the opportunity for renowned practitioners and world-class policy leaders to discuss Latin American policy issues. International House hosted a lunch and panel discussion to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of Resources for Sexual Violence Prevention at UChicago.

Performing Arts Series

International House welcomed *Double Monk*: Jeremy Kahn & Steve Million with Ariane Dolan and Andrew Cyrille & Bill McHenry as part of the highly-acclaimed Hyde Park Jazz Festival. We joined the University of Chicago Muslim Students' Association for the 26th Annual Eid al-Adha Cultural Celebration and Banquet as we hosted Muslim scholar and academic Dr. Yamina Bouguenaya and Nasheed artist Khalil Ismail. Siarhei Douhushau of the Republic of Belarus gave a lecture-performance as he immersed guests in the centuries-old singing tradition of

Belarus. *Stary Olsa*, a music group from Minsk, Belarus, performed medieval, Renaissance, and early baroque music from Eastern Europe. International House celebrated 85 years of international friendship during the Founder's Day Celebration featuring the late blues legend, Eddy "The Chief" Clearwater. Barokksolistene - An Alehouse Session, hosted by the Global Voices Program and UChicago Presents, performed tavern-style baroque music. International House and the Neubauer Collegium hosted *The Body's Role in Thinking, Performing and Referencing*. Led by Peter Cook, this session featured sign-language and spoken-language artists performing short works, followed by a panel discussion. The Global Girls Performance and Cultural Showcase featured cultural dance, music, and theater performances as well as a ceremony honoring individuals and organizations empowering women and girls locally and globally. The Global Voices Performing Arts & Lecture Series and UChicago Spiritual Life hosted the celebration of the 150th Birth Anniversary of Sister Nivedita, an influential religious figure of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Artists of all ages showcased their talents and love for Korean art forms during the International Korean Traditional Performing Arts Competition. UChicago a cappella group Voices in Your Head held their annual fall concert at International House to showcase their new music and formally introduce their newest members. The Charles Heath Septet joined International House for the Eighth Annual WHPK 88.5FM Jazz Format Black History Month Celebration of Jazz, *Our Gift to the World*. International

House Performing Arts Series and the UChicago Ballroom & Latin Dance Association kicked off the Global Dance Series with a night of Salsa and Bachata. The second installment of the series showcased two of the most popular ballroom dances in the world: waltz and foxtrot. John and Galia Kuo, the leaders of Chicago-based ensemble Balkan Dances, provided a lecture-demonstration on the dance rhythms of the Balkans and taught the audience the steps of the most popular Balkan dances. The South Asian Music Ensemble, a special repertory ensemble in the Department of Music, performed a variety of classical, vernacular, and popular song styles from the Indian Subcontinent, taken from a wide variety of vocal, instrumental, dance, and temple music styles. The 53rd Anniversary Spring Festival of Eastern European Dance and Music featured Balkan, Eastern European, and Mediterranean dance, music, and culture. Filmmaker Patti Kim Gill led a special discussion around the topic of cultural identity and stereotypes before the screening of the film *BlackKorea*. Lisa Schonberg and the Secret Drum Band gave a lecture and performance as part of their 2018

SECRET DRUM BAND 2018 National Tour Performance by Secret Drum Band with special lecture, "Documenting Ecosystems" presented by Lisa Schonberg	
Thursday, March 29 5:00pm International House 1414 E. 59th St, Chicago, IL 60637 Free and open to the public	
Event Schedule 5:00pm: Doors open, reception and exhibition begin 6:00pm: Lecture and multimedia presentation 6:30pm: Performance 7:00pm: Reception 7:30pm: Performance	
<small>Presented by the Global Voices Performing Arts Series and made possible in part by the generous support from Bart Lase, AFRG. Additional corporate funds.</small>	

National Tour. The International House Global Voices Program and the Canadian Consulate in Chicago collaborated with Asian Pop-Up Cinema and premiered three critically-acclaimed films made by Chinese-Canadian filmmakers with strong references to their Chinese roots. International House joined the African Caribbean Students' Association in hosting the *Back to Basics* Culture Show, celebrating the art, music, and food of different cultures within the African diaspora. Dukati and Biseri Folklore Ensemble presented their annual concert showcasing Macedonian and Serbian folk dances and music. The members of Alash, Tuvan throat singers, performed in concert, demonstrating the remarkable technique of singing multiple pitches at the same time, while featuring traditional Tuvan music and culture. International House, the Shakespeare Project of Chicago, and the Lumen Christi Institute held a staged reading of a new play by Rowan William, *Shakeshafte*. Tsukasa Taiko continued to uphold the Japanese tradition and evolve the Taiko art form during their celebration of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month in May, 2018. The 41st season of the Chicago Ensemble included five concerts. Offering an innovative mix of familiar masterworks and lesser-known repertoire performed in varied combinations of instruments and voice, the Chicago Ensemble occupies a unique place in Chicago's cultural life. In alliance with 700 cities around the world, International House presented a day of musical performances as part of the annual Make Music Chicago, to celebrate the gift of music and the joy of music making – all on the longest day of the year June 21!

Diplomatic Encounters Series

Launched in 2015, International House, the Institute of Politics and the Center for Middle Eastern Studies have joined forces with the Chicago Consular Corps to expand the Diplomatic Encounters Series to better connect the UChicago community with representatives of diplomatic missions from around Chicago and across the nation. The series aims to provide a venue to hear from leading diplomats, engage them in open dialogue, and come to a better understanding of the issues, challenges, and opportunities facing countries around the world.

2017-2018 programs included:

- The Annual UChicago & Chicago Consular Corps Reception was held at the Quadrangle Club hosted by President Robert J. Zimmer and UChicago Global.
- Mark Lippert, former US Ambassador to South Korea discussed international



The Annual UChicago & Chicago Consular Corps Reception was held November 30, 2017.

security as it relates to North Korea, China, and US allies during the talk *Is Peace with North Korea Possible?* moderated by Dr. Robert Pape, Chicago Project on Security and Threats at UChicago.

- The Progressive Movement and Social Activism in Israel – a discussion with Stav Shaffir, the youngest female member of the Israeli Parliament, co-sponsored with the

Consulate General of Israel in Chicago and UChicago Hillel.

- The Ambassador of Pakistan to the United States, Ambassador Aizaz Ahmad Chaudhry spoke on An Overview of Pakistan-US Relations, co-sponsored with the Consulate General of Pakistan in Chicago and the Committee on Southern Asian Studies.



FROM LEFT David Axelrod, AB'76, President Robert J. Zimmer, Dean John W. Boyer

On April 5, 2018, International House hosted **A Conversation with President Robert J. Zimmer & Dean John W. Boyer moderated by David Axelrod, AB'76**. This program was co-sponsored by Campus and Student Life and The College. It was an opportunity for students in the College to hear directly from University leadership about current issues in higher education and free expression on campus. Introductory remarks were offered by Chase Harrison, AB'18, Student Government Vice President for Student Affairs. A pre-event reception with Dean Boyer was held in the Rockefeller Lounge.

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE GRADUATE COMMONS PROGRAM: A CROSS-CULTURAL EXPERIENCE



International House at the University of Chicago has hosted international programs since it opened in 1932. Now, in partnership with UChicagoGRAD, I-House is offering programs to enhance the community life of graduate students and postdoctoral fellows. The partnership between I-House and UChicagoGRAD furthers I-House's mission to build community and encourage UChicago graduate students and postdoctoral fellows to engage with ideas from around the world.

Through innovative programs and services, we are preparing future leaders in academia, industry, nonprofits, and government. Fellowships and internships enable top students to choose an academic destination based on intellectual, rather than financial considerations. These experiences enhance students' professional skills, preparing them to succeed in whatever career path they choose.

International House together with UChicagoGRAD are committed to making the UChicago experience for graduate students and postdoctoral researchers a truly remarkable one, both in and outside

the classroom by hosting events that spark their intellectual curiosity, challenge their physical being, and make a difference to their community. Programming includes internationally-focused public programs through the highly successful I-House Global Voices Performing Arts and Lecture Series, weekly language and culture tables and related dining activities, professional development opportunities, health and wellness programs, social activities and much, much more! These programs complement academic departmental efforts to help graduate students increase the impact of their scholarship and get an edge on the job market.

GRAD Global Impact Internship Program



International House has been pleased to be one of the first to participate in the UChicagoGRAD - GRAD Global Impact Internship Program. Interns at International House serve as ambassadors and advocates for I-House and its mission within the UChicago graduate student community and beyond. They conceive and implement activities for graduate and professional school students that enhance the mission of International House and contribute to the students' positive campus experience. These programs also promote interpersonal and intercultural understanding and friendship among all UChicago graduate students. Internships also pave the way for institutions of higher education - and prospective employers - to see graduate students as valuable conduits of knowledge and skills from the academy to the marketplace. In 2017-2018, International House awarded 10 GRAD Global Impact Internships.

Reimaginings Dialogue Series

Reimaginings brings together thinkers from different cultures and disciplines in order to reimagine crucial concepts of the human experience and discuss some of the most pressing social challenges in the world. Moreover, Reimaginings is an experimental dialogue experience using multisensory resources including music, art, games, dance, perfumes and videos to enhance the conversations. Beginning this year, thirty diverse topics, including desire, violence, freedom, trauma, resilience and peace, were discussed at these weekly events. Reimaginings was conceived and organized by Lead GRAD Global Impact Intern Diego Suarez Rojas, AM '17.



Graduate Fellowship Program



FROM LEFT International House fellowship recipients Laura Bohorquez Duque, AM'18, Daniele Macuglia, AM'10, PhD'17, and Anqi Zhang, PhD'18.

Graduate Fellowships are awarded to help ensure the exceptional diversity of the graduate community connected to International House. Fellowships can be designated for students from a single department or any area of study across the university. Fellowship recipients have the unique opportunity to play a leadership role within the community and to exemplify the International House mission. Fellows are also given opportunities to engage with alumni and friends helping them build a powerful network that fosters personal and professional success for our worldwide community - including the network of 19 houses across the International Houses Worldwide organization.

In 2017-2018, International House awarded 42 graduate fellowships to students from 18 countries. Included in this program are several endowed and special awards.

Gioh Fang and T.S. Ma Fellowship—Provides a fellowship at International House for academically-qualified graduate students at the University of Chicago. Special consideration is given to students from China or in East Asian Studies. The 2017-2018 Gioh Fang and T.S. Ma Fellowship was awarded to Anqi Zhang, an international student from China studying linguistics in the Division of the Humanities.

Ralph W. Nicholas Fellowship—In 2017, International House announced the expansion of the Ralph W. Nicholas Fellowship Fund. This fund has been made possible by the generous

support of Lorna Puttkammer Straus, LAB'49, SM'60, PhD'62, professor and former I-House board member and Stanley D. Christianson, MBA'60 and former chairman of the I-House board of governors. This fund honors Ralph W. Nicholas, PhD'62, professor, and provides support for up to five fellowships at International House for academically-qualified graduate students from South Asia or in South Asian Studies. The Ralph W. Nicholas Fellowships were awarded to Soudeep Deb, an international student from India, studying Statistics in the Physical Sciences Division; Kiran Misra, a US student studying in the Harris School of Public Policy Studies; and Sanjukta Poddar, an international student from India studying South Asian Languages & Civilizations in the Division of the Humanities.

Where We Come From

During the 2017-2018 year, International House fellows and interns came from 21 countries and studied in all areas of the University including the undergraduate College.

Albania	Italy
Canada	Lebanon
China	Mexico
Colombia	Pakistan
Egypt	Portugal
Ghana	Russia
Greece	Scotland
Hungary	Singapore
India	South Korea
Indonesia	USA
Iran	

George H. Watkins Fellowship—Provides fellowships at International House for academically-qualified graduate students of any race, gender, religious affiliation, or national origin who are citizens or residents of Mexico or from Spanish-speaking countries attending the University of Chicago. During the 2017-2018 academic year, Watkins Fellowships were awarded to Manuel Antonio Cabal Lopez, a PhD student in political science, and to Monica Torres Valencia, an international student from Mexico studying in the Harris School of Public Policy Studies.

Kaimay Yuen Terry Fellowship—Provides fellowships at International House for academically-qualified graduate students attending the School of Social Service Administration at the University of Chicago. During the 2017-2018 academic year, the Kaimay Yuen Terry Fellowship was awarded to Yudong Zhang, a graduate student from China.

I-HOUSE 2017-2018 GRAD LIFE **BY THE NUMBERS**

At International House, UChicago graduate and professional school students and scholars can find many opportunities to become involved in our dynamic and diverse community. The success of these programs including a new initiative – the Graduate Commons Program – can be seen in the numbers:

FOR A BETTER WORLD

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GLOBAL COMMUNITY

that has served as a unique program center at the University of Chicago for over 85 years. In 2017-2018, we held a year-long celebration of the 85th anniversary of our founding.

42,000+

Students and Scholars who have called I-House home since we opened our doors in 1932

OUR WORLDWIDE COMMUNITY

19

INTERNATIONAL HOUSES WORLDWIDE

providing accommodations to some **9500** students and scholars annually from more than **125** countries. Support from alumni and friends worldwide allows IHWW to award more than **800** scholarships annually which serve to promote the academic, economic and geographic diversity of our member houses.

600+

Grad alumni and friends who contributed to the FY'18 Annual Fund

1000+

Alumni and friends who returned to International House for our 2018 Alumni Weekend activities

GRAD COMMUNITY LIFE **GRADUATE COMMONS PROGRAM**

5

AREAS OF FOCUS

GLOBAL VOICES PERFORMING ARTS AND LECTURE SERIES

40+

The number of lectures and performing arts programs with unique opportunities for graduate students.

3

Diplomatic Encounters Programs held – Korea, Israel, & Pakistan

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

GRADFair 2017 was a great success with

50+

employers from industry, nonprofits, and government organizations connecting with over **600+** graduate students and postdocs who attended the event.

GRADUCon 2018 hosted

400+

graduate students and postdocs at UChicago's largest ever career exploration conference with **80** alumni and guest speakers taking part in 15 different panel discussions.

200+

PROGRAMS FOR UCHICAGO GRADUATE STUDENTS

LANGUAGE & CULTURE TABLES & RELATED DINING ACTIVITIES

12

Languages represented at weekly language and culture tables – Arabic, Bengali, Cantonese, French, Hindi-Urdu, Italian, Malayalam, Mandarin, Persian, Portuguese, Russian & Spanish.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

146

Dance Classes, Explore Chicago Trips and Tours, Movie Nights, Discussion Groups and Speaker Series including *Re-imaginings* discussion groups, Supper Club, Game Nights, Sports, Study Breaks, Jazz Club, Concerts and Grad Mixers.

97

Thanksgiving Homestay participants representing **19** countries

HEALTH & WELLNESS PROGRAMS

in conjunction with UChicago Health Promotion and Wellness

FELLOWSHIPS & INTERNSHIPS

\$10,000

Amount awarded from the **DAVIS PROJECTS FOR PEACE** grant to UChicago graduate student and I-House fellow for summer 2018 project in Guangzhou, China.

42

GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS awarded to help ensure the exceptional diversity of the graduate community connected to International House – 2 new named fellowships announced

10

GRAD GLOBAL IMPACT

Internships awarded complementing academic training while providing students with professional experience

21

Countries represented by GRAD Global Impact Interns and graduate fellows

INTERNATIONAL HOUSE ALUMNI & FRIENDS

A CULTURE OF ENGAGEMENT

Since 1932, International House has transformed the lives of more than 42,000 residents and tens of thousands of non-resident members representing all areas of the world. As they shape our world, International House alumni share pride in an extraordinary tradition of community, excellence, and global leadership. Over the last year, International House has made an effort to expand engagement with alumni and friends.

2018 Alumni Weekend May 31-June 3



This year's Alumni Weekend spotlight was *Innovation and Entrepreneurship*. Alumni Weekend is a four-day experience featuring over 100 events across the campus. Alumni Weekend is the best time to reconnect with old friends—face to face, all in one place—and share your Maroon pride with family members of all ages. This year, it was also a great time for alumni to participate in the year-long 85th anniversary celebration of the founding of International House.

This year, International House hosted the Pozen Family Center for Human Rights annual *Robert H. Kirschner Memorial Human*



Rights Lecture with Professor Carol Anderson, the Charles Howard Chandler Professor of African Studies at Emory University. Professor Anderson is also the 2018-2019 John Simon Guggenheim Fellow in Constitutional Studies and the author of *White Rage*. An *Around the World Wine Tasting* co-sponsored with the UChicago Alumni Club of Chicago and a champagne brunch reception and concert by the Chicago Ensemble were also held as concluding events in our year-long 85th anniversary celebration. **Save the Date! - Alumni Weekend 2019 is planned for June 6-9, 2019.**

Enhancing Tradition—Engaging Our Worldwide Community



Over 200 alumni and friends gathered in New Delhi, India, on January 12, 2018, for the program *US-India Relations under the Trump Presidency*, with a distinguished panel of diplomats, journalists, academics, and foundation representatives.

LEFT I-House alumnus, Carlos G. Fernández Valdovinos, PhD'96, Governor, Central Bank of Paraguay speaking at the Latin American Matters Policy Forum held on May 11, 2018.

2018 Giving Day – Thank you for making a lasting impact!



On February 21 and 22, International House participated in the fourth annual UChicago Giving Day.

During a 24-hour period, alumni and friends around the world supported students and UChicago's greatest priorities. At International House, your support helped us to better serve the University and the Chicago-area community as a cultural center through an array of internationally-focused public programs. Across the campus, 2302 gifts were received raising \$512,967. International House saw a 291% increase in donors and a 28% increase in dollars raised. Thank you for being a part of UChicago's Giving Day. Your gift will have a tangible, lasting effect at UChicago – and International House – and beyond.

Celebrating a life-long friendship – begun at I-House!



On October 20, 2017, **Naurine Dierks Lennox, 'AM'66** and **Joan Wennstrom Bennett, SM'64, PhD'67** returned to I-House to celebrate their 75th birthdays – and their life-long friendship begun when they were both resident members in the 1960s.

Birendra K. and Anila Sinha Fund for Indian Performing Arts supports South Asian Music Ensemble concert



The Birendra K. and Anila Sinha Fund provides support for Indian classical performing arts programs at International House. These programs seek to present, promote and preserve the performing arts of India and cultivate cross-cultural understanding among students and community members.

The 2017-2018 concert was performed by the South Asian Music Ensemble, a special repertory ensemble in the Department of Music. The ensemble performed a variety of classical, vernacular, and popular song styles from the Indian Subcontinent, taken from a wide variety of vocal, instrumental, dance, and temple music styles.

Milestones

Former member of the International House Board of Governors, **Marie Dora "Doe" Thornburg, 96**, died on May 25, 2018.

Former director of International House, **Charles Lester "Les" Stermer, AB'51, 90**, died on October 16, 2017.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO CAMPAIGN INQUIRY & IMPACT

Join the Campaign The University of Chicago Campaign: Inquiry and Impact, the most ambitious and comprehensive campaign in the University's history, will raise \$5 billion and engage 125,000 alumni to support faculty and researchers, practitioners and patients, and students and programs across the University.

Campaign priorities for International House

Campaign priorities for International House include preserving our unique facilities that create lifelong memories for our residents and provides a center for public programming that creates an intellectual destination for the city at large; support for student life; fellowships and internships for both graduate and undergraduate students; and our Global Voices public programming which bolsters International House's role as a locus for multicultural engagement and exchange. We invite you to join the UChicago campaign. Concluding in 2019, the UChicago Campaign will advance the University's scholarly mission and foster a more engaged, more connected community around the world.

Celebrating a Milestone

On November 17, 2017, a celebration was held at International House to mark the milestone of the Inquiry and Impact Campaign reaching \$4B and engaging 112K. Robert J. Zimmer, President of the University, and Sharon Marine, Vice President for Alumni Relations and Development, thanked and congratulated ARD staff, recognizing them for their hard work and dedication.



Stay Engaged!

Engagement of alumni and friends with International House helps build a powerful network that fosters personal and professional success for our world-wide community. Every time you connect with the University of Chicago through giving, social media, events, lifelong learning and volunteering, you help advance future inquiry and its impact on human life. These activities, including the over 100 Global Voices Performing Arts and Lecture Programs at I-House, count towards the 125,000 engaged alumni goal for The University of Chicago Campaign: Inquiry and Impact.

How you can stay engaged:





On campus

- **Global Voices Performing Arts and Lecture Series**
Attend one of our on-going internationally-focused public programs.
- **Alumni Weekend**
Save the date! Alumni Weekend 2019 June 6-9, 2019
Alumniweekend.uchicago.edu

Around the World

- **Alumni clubs and events**
- **International Houses Worldwide**
ihouseworldwide.org
- **AlumniU** A free online learning community exclusively for UChicago alumni – It's like you're back on campus! Learn more at alumni.uchicago.edu/alumniu

Online

- **Weekly e-bulletins** Sign up at ihouse.uchicago.edu or call 773.753.2274
-  facebook.com/international.house.chicago
-  flickr.com/photos/ihouse_chicago/albums
-  twitter.com/IHouse_Chicago
-  youtube.com/user/IHouseUChicago

And more...

Stay engaged with International House campaign priorities at campaign.uchicago.edu/priorities/ihouse/

On Display at I-House A Gray City Dinner Party:

Commemorative Dinner Plates from the University Archives

This past year, International House received a gift of a special set of Spode dinner plates featuring views of twelve of the University's Gothic buildings. The dinner plates date from the 1930s and were manufactured by Copeland & Sons, initially in a run of three hundred sets. As appropriate for the Grey City, the Spode plates were produced in a "soft grey" tone, with a border of Gothic arches, ornamented at three points by the image of Douglas Hall, the original home of the Old University of Chicago at 35th and Cottage Grove.

The plates were obviously inspired by the "Eastern universities," that had already issued similar sets celebrating their own campuses, but the Alumni council at the time also hoped to capitalize on the enthusiasm for the University's recently completed Gothic quadrangles. By November 1930, the Magazine was able to announce that 515 orders had already been received, and the order from the manufacturer had been increased to 600 sets. Alumni interest continued to grow, and in January 1931, the Alumni council again increased the size of the run, this time to 1490 sets in total.

The exhibit now on permanent display outside the International House Dining Hall offers these notable artifacts of the University's invention of its own self-imagination along with documents and advertisements from the original release. A set of these commemorative dinner plates are also on display at the Quadrangle Club.

RECIPE

Renaissance Cooking-How do you make gnocchi without potatoes?

Last May, more than 130 students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members gathered at International House for a Renaissance banquet, organized by Lead GRAD Global Impact Intern Daniele Macuglia, AM'10, PhD'17. The guests wore period costumes, feasted on period food, listened to lectures on Renaissance cuisine as well as live performances of polyphonic music. This is the second year that International House has hosted a special Renaissance banquet.

The banquet recipes were adapted from Opera dell'arte del cucinare by Bartolomeo Scappi (1500-1577), who served as chef to two popes. Published in 1570, Scappi's cookbook - which includes the earliest known illustration of a fork - collects 1000 recipes from Renaissance Italian cuisine, before it was transformed by such New World additions as the tomato and the potato. The book was first translated into English in 2008.

