

Global Engagement Travel Grant

Spring 2024

[Jason Chow](#) (Associate Professor of Special Education and Assistant Professor of Hearing & Speech Sciences, Peabody College) attended the Network Meta-Analyses Course at the University of Oxford.

[Brian D. Christens](#) (Professor of Human & org. Development and Director of Graduate Studies, Peabody College) presented "Linking collaboration to community capacity-building: A network approach" at the Conference of the International Network for Social Network Analysis in Edinburgh, Scotland.

[Xiu Cravens](#) (Professor of Practice of Leadership, Policy & Organization, Peabody College) was invited to the Asia Educational Leadership Roundtable 2024 in Bangkok, Thailand, and served as a facilitator for multiple panel discussions.

[Brian T. Kissel](#) (Program Director of Elementary Education and Professor of the Practice of Teaching & Learning, Peabody College) presented "Creating Spaces to Promote Antiracism and Activism through Children's Writing" at the summer 2024 conference of the United Kingdom Literacy Association, meeting at the University of Sussex, Brighton, England.

[Paul Miller](#) (Associate Professor of French and Jewish Studies, College of Arts & Sciences) presented "'Notre meringue se meurt': Frantz Casséus, Leo Brouwer and the Formalization of Afro-Caribbean Folk Music" for the Latin American Studies Association in Bogotá, Colombia.

[Sophia Vinci-Booher](#) (Assistant Professor of Educational Neuroscience, Peabody College) presented "Grounding the Mind in the Body: The Neural Substrates of Embodied Learning" at the International Mind, Brain and Education Society (IMBES) Conference in Leuven, Belgium.

Fall 2024

[Alexandra Sargent Capp](#) (Fiber Arts Build Lab Director, the Wond'ry) taught a four-day interactive, multi-disciplinary workshop focused on bringing attention to climate change as part of the Helsinki Design Week in Finland. The final product of the workshop was an art installation and movement piece created by the international community from upcycled materials.

[Brianna Castro](#) (Assistant Professor of Sociology, College of Arts & Science) attended the International Migration Research Network (IMISCOE) Annual Conference in Lisbon, Portugal and the 2024 Environmental and Climate Mobility Network (ECMN) in Liège, Belgium. At the IMISCOE Annual Conference, she participated in a mini-conference on Migration as a Social Construction. For ECMN, she presented a paper on mobility infrastructure based on her research from Lagos, Nigeria.

[Heather Conner](#) (Chancellor's Chair of Piano, Professor of Piano, Blair School of Music), [Ji Hye Jung](#) (Associate Professor of Percussion, Director of the Percussion Program, Blair School of Music), and [Melissa Rose](#) (Dean, Professor of Piano and Collaborative Piano, Blair School of Music) traveled to Seoul, South Korea for the international premiere of "Way of Seeing," a commissioned work by acclaimed composer Christopher Theofanidis. Conner and Jung performed the piece at the Seoul Arts Center. 250 Vanderbilt Alumni attended the concert.

[Tiffany Fracchia](#) (Associate Professor of the Practice, Anthropology, College of Arts & Science) conducted a three-day workshop in Tanzania for researchers, government officials, and the Tanzanian Police Force. The workshop addressed the humanitarian problem of identifying deceased migrants in the deserts.

[Lucie Kalousova](#) (Assistant Professor of Medicine, Health, and Society, and Sociology, College of Arts & Sciences) presented a paper at the 20th Biennial European Society for Health and Medical Sociology (ESHS) conference in Antwerp, Belgium.

[Autumn Kujawa](#) (Associate Professor of Psychology and Human Development, Director of the Mood, Emotion & Development Lab, Peabody College) participated in the Society for Research in Psychopathology's annual meeting held in Montreal, Quebec, Canada by presenting data collected from the Mood, Emotion & Development Lab and attending mentorship activities.

[David Michelson](#) (Associate Professor of the History of Christianity, Divinity School) presented a paper at the 19th International Conference on Patristic Studies held at Oxford University in the United Kingdom

[Shelza Rivas](#) (Assistant Professor of Nursing, Director of Global Partnerships, School of Nursing) attended the International Council of Nurses NP/APN Conference in Aberdeen, Scotland.