

IVLP: A Global Moment in Time

In October 2021, the [Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs \(ECA\)](#) will launch [A Global Moment in Time](#), a special [International Visitor Leadership Program \(IVLP\)](#) initiative that addresses significant contemporary societal conditions affecting all corners of the world. The initiative consists of three hybrid projects with up to 100 global participants each, nominated by U.S. embassies. As hybrids, the projects include a virtual programming component in Fall 2021 and an in-person component in the United States in Fall 2022. Through social media, digital, and print documentation, participants will present information and photo compilations about the following themes as experienced in their home communities and countries.

PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS



A Global Moment in Time: Photojournalists Document Challenges and Opportunities in the COVID Era

OCTOBER 4, 2021

Photojournalists from around the world will examine the role of photojournalism in civil discourse, public opinion, and public understanding of how COVID-19 has disrupted society, as well as how it has brought people and organizations together. Participants will engage with U.S. photojournalists and media experts to discuss disinformation and the responsibility of media during the crisis, concluding in a two-day global conference. They will explore the importance of volunteerism, the role of government, and decentralized efforts to mitigate the pandemic. The photojournalists will document the impact of COVID-19 in their communities by contributing to a joint digital presentation and photobook.



A Global Moment in Time: Peace and Justice

OCTOBER 18, 2021

This project will examine ways to build peace and justice at local and regional levels around the world. Participants will learn how leaders and organizations in the United States actively engage in mediating disputes arising from political, socioeconomic,

ethnic, religious, and regional differences. They will explore conflict resolution methods and strategies for directing positive political, social, and economic change in a democratic society. Participants will explore the skills necessary to balance divergent social demands and interests and to participate effectively in international fora to end conflict, promote justice, and sustain peace. The project will include a series of interactive dialogues on Peace and Justice. Participants will contribute to a joint digital presentation and photobook that amplifies their involvement in peace and justice activities in their communities.



A Global Moment in Time: Reflections on Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility

NOVEMBER 29, 2021

This project will examine what Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA) mean in the United States and around the globe. Participants and their U.S. counterparts will examine their own understanding of DEIA and the need to advance opportunities for all. Participants will also examine how historical trends continue to impact minorities and the efforts of modern civil rights groups to challenge assumptions and change the status quo. The project will highlight American democratic principles, enhance understanding of American values, and identify shared global challenges and opportunities. Participants will contribute to a joint digital presentation and photobook that documents DEIA efforts and interpretations around the world.