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EDITORIAL

Issue No. 002/2021 of the InfoGCUB Newsletter provides a brief description of the main activities developed by GCUB in May 2021.

This newsletter is divided into six sections, which contains: the programs developed in May; the courses, webinars, and workshops promoted by the Association; the actions aimed at language training (English and Spanish); and the meetings organized by GCUB or to which the Group's Board of Directors has been invited to be co-organizer by national and international partners.

Enjoy your reading!

GCUB Executive Board and Advisory Committee



PROGRAMS



PROAFRI SELECTION

In May, GCUB started selecting candidates for the second edition of the Training Program for Higher Education Professors from African Countries - ProAfri.

In this edition of ProAfri, 172 applications were received: 64 for Masters and 108 for PhDs.

From May 10 to 14, the GCUB carried out ProAfri's first phase of selection: analysis of documentary consistency. Of the 172 applications received, 135 were validated.

On May 20, the universities participating in the Program started

the second phase of selection: analysis of candidates' merit and admissibility. This stage will be completed on June 18, 2021 and the final result will be published on July 12, 2021.

For more information, please visit: https://www.gcub.org.br/programas/proafri/.

PROLAC APPLICATIONS

In May, GCUB received applications for the First Edition of the Training Program for Higher Education Professors from Latin America and the Caribbean - ProLAC, promoted by the GCUB in partnership with the *Unión de Universidades de América Latina y el Caribe - UDUAL*, with the support of UNESCO/IESALC.

In this edition, ProLAC offered 489 vacancies and 31 scholarships for Ph.D. programs at 40 universities associated with GCUB or UDUAL.

The application deadline was extended until June 11, 2021. Professors from Higher Education Institutions associated with GCUB or UDUAL can apply.



For more information, please visit: https://www.gcub.org.br/programas/prolac/.

COURSES AIMED AT THE INTERNATIONALIZATION OF HIGHER EDUCATION

ETHICS, UNIVERSITY, AND SOCIETY

On May 5, 2021, started the Course "Ethics, University, and Society" promoted by GCUB in partnership with *Universidad del Azuay - UDA* (Ecuador).

A hundred participants from 32 Brazilian universities associated with GCUB were selected.

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The course is being conducted virtually and taught by **Dr. Juan Morales Ordoñez** - *Universidad del Azuay*. Classes are weekly for six weeks.

For more information, please access: https://www.gcub.org.br/eventos/cursos/curso-sobre-etica-universidade-e-sociedade/.



Photo: First class of the course with the presence of Professor Juan Ordoñez and the Executive Director of GCUB, Professor Rossana Silva.

WEBINARS

EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGIES AND INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

On May 18, 2021, the GCUB promoted the webinar "Educational Technologies and International Cooperation".

The event lasted 1 hour and 45 minutes and was broadcast live, in English, on GCUB's YouTube Channel. This webinar received 356 registrations from representatives from 23 countries.

Moderator:

Professor Vladmir Oliveira Di Iorio (*Universidade Federal de Viçosa - UFV*).

Speakers:

- Professor Naouel Abdellatif Mami (Université Sétif 2, Algeria).
- Professor Aparajita Gangopadhyay (Goa University, India).
- Professor Glenn Hardaker (Universiti Brunei Darussalam, Brunei).

LANGUAGE TRAINING: English

SKILL-BASED WORKSHOP FOR THE TOEFL IBT TEST

On May 27th, started the Skill-Based Workshop for the TOEFL iBT Test, promoted free of charge by the GCUB in partnership with the Educational Testing Service - ETS. Two sessions were held, and both of them were broadcast live through GCUB's Youtube channel.



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In the first session of the workshop, ETS Directors in Brazil presented an overview of the TOEFL iBT and Reading and Listening skills, which are assessed on the exam. The second session covered Speaking and Writing skills.

A total of 1868 participants were selected to participate in the workshop: professors, undergraduate students, graduate students, and technical-administrative staff from 63 Brazilian institutions, 55 of which are universities associated with GCUB.

For more information, please visit: https://www.gcub.org.br/eventos/workshops/skill-based-workshop-for-the-toefl-ibt-test/.



Photo: First session of the workshop, with the presence of the Directors of ETS in Brazil Edson Canela and Adiane Blum, and the Executive Director of GCUB, Professora Rossana Silva.

LANGUAGE TRAINING: Spanish



BENEFITS OFFERED BY CERVANTES INSTITUTE

In May, 41 new interested professors, students, and administrative staff from universities associated with GCUB were registered to receive the benefits of the partnership established between GCUB and Cervantes Institute.

Through this partnership, students, faculty, and staff from universities associated with GCUB can receive exclusive benefits:

- Free placement test.
- Free virtual library booklet.
- 25% discount on all courses.
- 25% discount on taking the DELE proficiency exam.

The benefits will be offered by the eight Cervantes Institutes in Brazil, located in the following cities: Belo Horizonte - MG, Brasília - DF, Curitiba - PR, Porto Alegre - RS, Recife - PR, Rio de Janeiro - RJ, Salvador - BA, and São Paulo - SP.

Those interested in receiving the benefits of this partnership should contact the International Relations Sector of their home university and request the inclusion of their data in a specific spreadsheet, whose link was sent via email to the Brazilian universities associated with the GCUB.





MEETINGS

In May, GCUB participated in 6 meetings.

May 3, 2021 Meeting with the Graduate Deanship of the University of Brasília - UnB.

May 14, 2021 Meeting with the Board of the Federal District Primary Education Teachers

Union.

May 25, 2021 Meeting with the Board of the International Bureau of Education (IBE) -

UNESCO.

May 26, 2021 Meeting with the Unión de Universidades de América Latina y el Caribe –

UDUAL.

May 27, 2021 XVI Meeting of the GCUB Advisory Committee.



Photo: XVI Meeting of the GCUB Advisory Committee, with the presence of the Professors Rita Louback, Rita Maia, Rossana Silva, Fábio Pitta, Virgílio Almeida, and Valmor Tricoli, and the assistant Giovanna Quaranta.

May 30, 2021 Meeting with representatives of the Federal University of Santa Maria - UFSM.

EVENTS

In May 2021, GCUB participated in 6 events:

May 3, 2021 Inauguration Act of Rector Dolly Montoya Castaño - *Universidad Nacional de*

Colombia.

May 4, 2021 Ramadan meeting with the Institute Council for Intercultural Dialogue.





May 13, 2021

Virtual Conversation organized by Centro Cultural Brasil-Mexico (CCBM), on the theme: Scholarships for Higher Education in Brazil.

The Executive Director of the GCUB, Professor Dr. Rossana Valéria de Souza e Silva and the Director of the Division of Educational Themes of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Brazil (DTED/MRE), Counselor Beatriz Goes, participated as speakers.

May 14, 2021

Virtual lecture "The Amazon: Challenges and Perspectives", taught by Doctor Ennio Canddotti, Founder and Director of the Museum of the Amazon.

This activity was the result of a partnership between GCUB and Hebei Normal University, China.



Photo: Lecture given by Doctor Ennio Canddotti, with the presence of Professor Ana Qiao, Professor Rossana Silva (GCUB). and Professor Valmor Tricoli (USP).

May 26, 2021

Celebration of the 30th Anniversary of the Journal *Educación Superior y Sociedad (ESS)* edited by the UNESCO International Institute for Higher Education in Latin America and the Caribbean (IESALC).

May 28, 2021

Presentation by GCUB Executive Director, Professor Rossana de Souza e Silva at the Video Conference on Academic Mobility in the University Context for the teaching and administrative staff of the *Universidad Señor de Sipán* (Peru).

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