

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Shelton Williams

### Welcome to Osgood in Brief!

This newsletter is designed and written by Rosanna Vargas Rivera and it features photographs by Xuan Zhu. They are the Osgood Center's Associate Directors. You are receiving this newsletter because of your ongoing support for Osgood's efforts to educate and train young scholars in diplomacy and international affairs. Osgood believes in multilateral diplomacy, peace, and prosperity through international trade and cooperation, and professional development for

young persons who are seeking both education and experience in the practical aspects of global engagement.



Students from around the world and across the U.S. join Osgood programs. Your help in providing funds, especially for US students,

is needed. We want to help under-represented groups in the field. Women, African Americans, Hispanic Americans, and students whose school debt makes it hard to undertake critically needed experiential learning opportunities get our help. We can do this with your contribution. We are delighted to say that we have played a role in students attending prestigious international affairs schools, in securing entry level jobs in their fields, and in joining the Peace Corps, the State Department or working on the Hill. We are told we make a difference. Your financial help, regardless of how big or small, also makes a difference. We cannot do it without you.

## SUMMER 2019 PROGRAMS



July 23-26, West Virginia

### World Scout Jamboree 2019

Our Model United Nations went to an exciting territory and unlocked a new world. In this innovative program, the Osgood Center created customized learning materials, trained the staff, the scout delegates, and the volunteers attending the first U.S. World Scout Jamboree since 1967. Our team ultimately supervised the smooth functioning of this experiential learning program.



The Osgood Center worked with Ambassador Reuben Brigety, who is both a Life Scout and the Dean of the Elliot School of International Affairs at The George Washington University and with Sheldon Ray, a member of Osgood Board.

The World Scout Jamboree Model UN became a unique experience for all. The program welcomed scouts and contingent leaders from 62 countries. This global encounter created a forum to discuss relevant issues ranging

from the responsible consumption of plastics to the impact of climate change as a threat to international peace and security. After 3 days of collaborative work, 325 future young leaders (42 per cent of whom were females) wrote excellent resolutions to address the issues discussed in 6 different committees of this "expeditionary Model UN," an authentic simulation of the diplomatic work done by the United Nations' representatives.



*Eagle Scout and Osgood Chair, Sheldon Ray, Ambassador Reuben Brigety, and Osgood's President, Shelly Williams meet at The Summit Bechtel Reserve*



July 28- August 8  
Washington, DC

## Summer Symposium

What will the work of a cyber diplomat look like in the near future? How can working in an electoral campaign contribute to (even change) your professional life? How does gender-based violence impact the lives of diverse communities and what do

international organizations do to address it? What is still missing in our understanding of China, Russia, and Iran? As they shared their professional journeys and very personal stories, these are some of the provocative questions that an outstanding group of speakers posed to the participants of the 2019 Summer Symposium.

This summer, Osgood Center hosted students from China, Germany, and the U.S. They joined

16 interns whom we call Program Associates who had been meeting in a weekly Professional Development Seminar and attending international affairs events and conferences around the city. Each of these future professionals wrote 12 or more briefing papers on the international affairs topics of their interest. Here are two of these talented people: Ty and Leyla.





Meet  
**Ty Miller**

Ty Miller is a graduate student of Russian language and international affairs at the University of Colorado in Boulder, CO. Ty has worked for the Osgood Center for two years, where he has participated as both a delegate and committee chair in various Model UN conferences. Russian and post-Soviet affairs comprise the focus of Ty's studies and he has traveled extensively around the Russian Federation. His research focuses on the role of culture and identity in international politics, the geography of globalization, and authoritarianism in emerging democracies.

Ty has also worked in an award-winning biophysics research lab in Boulder's JILA Institute when he was studying molecular, cellular, and developmental biology. In his free time, he enjoys being outside in nature, skiing, fishing, the beach, learning about foreign languages, reading Russian literature and poetry, and spending time with friends and family.



Meet  
**Leyla Dieng**

Leyla Dieng joined the Osgood Center in June of this year. With her knowledge of conflict management, she designed the crisis scenarios for the Security

Council in the World Scout Jamboree Model United Nations and worked closely with our Associate Directors administering and evaluating the delegates' participation in this experiential learning program.

She also participated in the Summer Symposium in which by her own words: ***"not only did I learn a lot of substance from Osgood sessions, but I also learned a lot professionally."***

Leyla, speaks French, English, Fulani, and Wolof. At her alma mater, Leyla's studies include International Relations, Economics, and African Studies allowing her to intern in West Africa conducting projects in Burkina Faso and Senegal. At the Pennsylvania State University, Leyla belongs to the National Council for Negro Women, an organization in which she plays an important role in fostering a positive environment to help women of African descent acclimate to campus. In her free time, Leyla enjoys writing poems, swimming, and taking pictures.

## Every contribution does truly make a great difference!

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## UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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### › January Leadership Program January 2020



### › Texas Model UN February 2020

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