

Morning with the Consul

This month, UFMG hosted the third edition of its 'Morning with the Consul' series, which intends to promote integration between Brazilians and the different foreign communities which make up the university studentship and professorship. His Excellency Mr. Viktor Sterzik, Honorary Consul of Germany in Belo Horizonte, gave his views and provided elucidating remarks on topics concerning higher education and research work. Past editions have seen His Excellencies Mr David Guzmán, Honorary Consul of Peru in Belo Horizonte, and Mr Ricardo Jorge Massot, Consul-General of Argentina in Belo Horizonte. The next one, to take place in October, will feature the Honorary Consul of France, Mr Manoel Bernardes. Students, professors and non-academic are welcome to debate the most diverse aspects of internationalization and strengthen bonds with their diplomatic representatives in town.





Unesco Chair in the Humanities

UFMG is now home to a prestigious Unesco Chair in the Humanities. This Chair relates to Professor Luiz Villalta's pioneering efforts in understanding the global spread of the so-called 'Age of Enlightenment' ideals and values. This breakthrough is consequent to an unheard-of approximation between UFMG and the UN in a host of issue-areas and activities. Take the recent admission of UFMG into UNAI (United Nations Academic Initiative) and the visits paid by UNHCR officer Silvia Corradi and WFP officer Thiago Xavier to UFMG Office of International Affairs. This is a collaboration of which we are really proud and look forward to nurturing and advancing in the future.

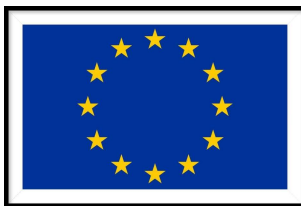


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European Union Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence



UFMG is now one of the two higher education institutions in Brazil to have been awarded an European Union Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence in 2019. A Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence is a focal point of competence and knowledge on European Union subjects. It brings together high-level experts to create links between the various disciplines and resources in European studies and to form links with academic institutions in other countries. The new Centre, which will be under the guidance of Prof Jamile Mata Diz, plays a key role in reaching out to students from faculties not normally dealing with European Union issues as well as to policy makers, civil servants, organized civil society and the general public at large.

UFMG Minor in International Studies - Inaugural Lecture

We were proud to welcome Al Jazeera's distinguished photojournalist Showkat Shafi to UFMG in early September. He was responsible for giving the inaugural lecture of recently launched UFMG Minor in International Studies. During this presentation, Mr Shafi exposed his award-winning series of photos '100 Faces of Rohingya' – taken at a refugee camp in Cox's Bazaar, Bangladesh – and commented on his personal experiences and the path to making a change through journalism.

For a full list of courses being offered in the current semester within the scope of UFMG Minor in International Studies, please click on this [link](#). For the courses that will be available on the first semester of 2020, please head to this [link](#).



Global Rankings

The Federal University of Minas Gerais has appeared on two global rankings this month:



Shanghai Academic Ranking of World Universities and QS



Graduate Employability Rankings. On both, UFMG was placed among the top 500 tertiary education institutions (out of some 26,000 now existing in the world, according to QS), which allows one to conclude that, either from a strictly academic set of criteria or from the marketplace viewpoint, the Federal University of Minas Gerais clearly stands as a world-class higher education reference.

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