

UFMG Summer School on Brazilian Studies reaches its 3rd edition



UFMG Office of International Affairs' flagship program, the Summer School on Brazilian Studies (SSBS) just took place this month of July, now on full remote mode. The event brought together 61 students – 46 of whom coming from a diverse set of 28 countries and 33 universities spread across various continents. There were also 15 UFMG students who joined this initiative by the appointment of their respective UFMG academic units (schools and faculties). Over two weeks, lectures were given and topics such as history, geography, culture, and society of Brazil were intensively discussed. Daily 2-hour long conferences provided the course participants with a true immersion in Brazilian issues. The program also included Portuguese Language classes for foreigners and some virtual tours to famous landmarks in Belo Horizonte and surrounding places, such as the Inhotim Museum – the largest open-air contemporary art museum in the world.



UFMG joins intercontinental consortium to fight the Covid-19 pandemic

The Federal University of Minas Gerais (UFMG) in association with Brazil's Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (Fiocruz) has established an agreement with Queen Mary University of London and Huazhong University of Science and Technology (China) to exchange scientific data and to combat the novel coronavirus. The academic coalition aims to gather high-quality information and evidence that will lead to significant progress in mitigating the pandemic effects. By way of this multilateral effort, it will be possible to reach a deeper understanding of the causes lying behind the severity and spread of this coronavirus disease. While the Wuhan-based Chinese university accumulates cutting-edge knowledge and important practical experiences, QMUL, Fiocruz, and UFMG are solid references in the field of health studies.



UFMG high-level delegation visits institutions in the UK

The visit paid in March by the President of UFMG, Professor Sandra Regina Goulart de Almeida, and the Dean for International Affairs of UFMG, Professor Aziz Tuffi Saliba, strengthens UFMG's partnership with universities of great relevance in the United Kingdom. This UFMG delegation visited The University of Sheffield, Queen Mary University of London and the King's College London.



The general goal of the mission was to expand UFMG's collaboration with some British universities, to discuss possible new avenues for cooperation between the institutions, mainly within the context of the CAPES Print Program, in addition to identifying common areas of interest in research. In Sheffield,

some research group collaborations really stand out, spanning from oral health projects for children and disabled adults to sustainable crop protections and applications for small family-based sisal farming systems.

UFMG-AUGM Summer School on Human Rights is a big hit

A Summer School on Human Rights Education, an initiative brought up under the auspices of UFMG and the Montevideo Group of South American universities (AUGM), convened at UFMG's main campus in February 2020 a batch of 97 students from Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay. Topics addressed during the event revolved around educational training in human rights from historical, political, social, educational, legal, and cultural perspectives.



Featured countries: The Netherlands and Sweden



In February 2020, UFMG received an official delegation from the Kingdom of the Netherlands comprising 5 people – Ms. Petra Smits, Mr. Willem Moraal, Mr. Ernst-Jan Bakker, Mr. Rick Breugelmans and Ms. Luisa Rates. This courtesy visit aimed to introduce the members of the Dutch Consulate in São Paulo to UFMG leaders and inquire into the potentials of Minas Gerais state in international academic cooperation, namely in attracting Dutch companies and investments to the region. The Dutch delegation has had the opportunity to meet with scientists in charge of important projects in the Center of Technology in Nanomaterials and Graphene at UFMG. On the same note, in March a Science and Innovation Advisor to the Swedish Embassy to Brazil, Dr. Ana Carolina Bussacos, attended a meeting with UFMG's Deputy Dean for International Affairs, Professor Dawisson Belém Lopes. This conversation covered topics such as sustainable mining, aerospace engineering, chronic diseases, and novel materials – those on which Swedish and Brazilian researchers have already been jointly working.



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