STUDENT ENGAGED LEARNING TO EMPOWER

MOUNTAIN WOMEN AND GIRLS
Moderator

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- Aviation Science major, Political Science and Constitutional Studies minors
- Vice president, UIMF
1) To raise awareness of mountain sustainability topics

2) To bring the public into contact with international guests and foreign dignitaries

3) To bring communities together to recognize their shared mountainous heritage.

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UIMF Structure

Samuel Elzinga: UIMF President, Political Science Major with National Securities emphasis

Lacee Meyer: UIMF Vice President, Political Science Major

Michael Hinatsu: UIMF Vice President, Aviation Science Major

Baktybek Abdissaev: UIMF faculty mentor, Lecturer, Department of History and Political Science, UVU
New Opportunities for UVU students engaged in learning through the UN Associate Membership

Dr. Baldomero Lago
- CIO/ Vice Rector for Global Engagement at Utah Valley University
- Associate Professor Tenured of Language Pedagogy
- Hon. Consul of Spain
- Knight Commander of the Royal Civil Merit, Spain
- President World Trade Association, Utah
Taylor Bell
- UVU Student Body President
- BA Political Science
“To Engage at Utah Valley University involves active and collaborative learning, which provides students the opportunity to connect their academic experience with their professional and civic lives.”
“The engaged learning methods practiced at Utah Valley University, prepare its students to become professionals and leaders; not only within the state, but across the globe.”
Michael Hinatsu
-UIMF Member
-BS Aviation Science
● 39% of mountain people are vulnerable to food insecurity – a 30% increase since 2000, despite only a 16% increase in population.

● In total, 1 out of every 3 mountain people in developing countries worldwide is vulnerable to food insecurity

-“Mapping the Vulnerability of Mountain Peoples to Food Insecurity” FAO-UN, 2015
By 2030, ensure all learners acquire knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including among others through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship, and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture’s contribution to sustainable development.
Based on Problem-Based Learning, a four-part methodology:

1. Students are given a task or problem to learn
2. Students must work together as a group to solve the task or problem
3. Students have the primary responsibility of solving it on their own
4. Faculty serve as mentors to the process

Burch, K. (2000). A primer on Problem-Based Learning for international relations course. International Studies Perspectives, 1. 31-44

UIMF serves as a core for this model
Nontraditional Students

- Delay enrollment (does not enter postsecondary education in the same calendar year that he or she finished high school)
- Attend part-time for at least part of the academic year
- Work full-time while enrolled
- Are financially independent for purposes of determining eligibility for financial aid
- Are married or have dependents other than a spouse (usually children, but may also be caregivers of sick or elderly family members)
- Are single parents
- Do not have a high school diploma
ECOSOC: High-Level segment - 49th-B meeting
19 Jul 2018 - 49th-B meeting: General debate (conclusion).
UIMF members recently partnered with Rotoract International and the Frodsham Community Christmas group to make dinners and give presents to local families in need.

This year, they worked with Days for Girls to assemble hygiene kits for women around the world.

UIMF partners with other universities, such as Brigham Young University, and local organizations such as Women of the Mountains, to engage other learners and civil society about mountain women issues.
Abdulrahman Alghanmi
-BS Political Science
Viktoriia Bahrii
-UIMF Member
-BS Political Science
UIMF members with His Excellency Mahmadamin Mahmadaminov

Ms. Viktoriia Bahrii with His Excellency Jan Kickert
Ukrainian Carpathians
Noorani Barkat
Ph.D. Candidate in Agriculture from Washington State University.
Role of Agriculture in Empowering Women to End Poverty in the Mountains of Pakistan
Why Agriculture?

- I belong to a farming family
- Personal experience working with farmers back home
- I want to help farming societies, specifically those in the mountains
- I want to use this opportunity to learn how to better help the farmers
How Agriculture is Empowering Women

Agriculture has so much potential if practiced properly

There is a high participation of women involved in agriculture

They spend significant portion of their day in farms growing fruits, vegetables and other crops

Agriculture is playing a major role in helping improve standard of life

Due to the traditional methods the yields are quite low.

Three generations in one picture. Agriculture is passed down from generations.
The Undiscovered Heroes

Ranuma made this greenhouse to grow vegetables in the winter.

Sharul does bee keeping.

Community women are preparing apricots for drying.

Empowering themselves through livestock (by selling milk).
Challenges in Agriculture

- Knowledge and information gap
- No book keeping/ record keeping
- Limited resources and inputs
- Poor infrastructure
- Weak financial resources
- Lack of decision making
- Marketing constraints
- Health issues (back pain, bone problems etc)
My Future Goals

-I want to be a global citizen working to improve the lives of the citizens of the world.

-Continue working with platforms like Utah International Mountain Forum to help farming communities

-Networking with people from around the world better understand how to address future issues in agriculture

-Help women improve their lives through agriculture
Hannah Bieker
-UIMF Member
-BA National Security
Lives, Fortunes and Sacred Honor: The Making of an American

by Hannah Bieker (Author)

Paperback – January 28, 2019

$17.76 $16.99

This book follows the true accounts from George Peltekian, born in Jerusalem in 1935, and Waltraut Becker, born in Berlin in 1942. The book details their lives growing up in the middle of WWII to their journeys of escaping oppression, leaving their homes, and pursuing their dreams of becoming American citizens. The story reminds the importance of freedom and never forgetting your past, no matter where you came from, in addition to how two people, from two very different places could have their stories merge, if not for just a moment.
Children practicing the proper dental hygiene skills Rotactors taught

Midvalley Rotaract Club
Puerto Penasco, Mexico
June 2018
Rebecca Bindraban
- Editor in Chief for the Youth and the Mountains Journal
- BS Political Science
The Importance of Highlighting Sustainable Mountain Development

-This journal provides a unique and increased perspective on Sustainable Mountain Development in mountainous regions worldwide.
-The topography of mountain living is very unique, therefore the way these communities are developed and sustained are pretty exclusive to mountain living and must be looked at differently than living in non-mountainous areas.
-The importance of this lies in the plight of people who live in mountainous regions worldwide, though their plight is often overlooked. This is unfortunate, considering mountains are more difficult to live in than flat valleys. Due to this, the way these mountains communities work and sustain themselves are very unique in their nature.
-This journal provides a platform for ideas that may aid mountain communities as well.
Promoting Mountain Women

Megan Raines

Michael and I speaking with Megan Raines before CSW63.
Youth and the Mountains 2018 Topics

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Megan Davis
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- BS Political Science
Women of the Mountains Conferences

Hosted in Utah at Utah Valley University in 2007, 2011, 2013, and 2015

Created as an effort to continue the traditions of celebrating mountain women established in Bhutan in 2002 during the International Year of the Mountains Under the United Nations.
Mountain Women Changing the World
One Leadership Position At a Time

(L to R) Governor of the State of Utah Olene Walker (2003-2005), Governor of the State of Montana Judi Martz (2001-2005) and Dr. Danielle Butler, Honorary Consul of the Kyrgyz Republic to the State of Utah, March 8, 2007
Jackie Biskupski - Mayor of Salt Lake City, Utah
U.N. Civil Society Conference in SLC

Save the date - August 26-28, 2019

- Building Inclusive and Sustainable Communities UNCS Conference in Salt Lake City Utah
International Mountain Day Celebration at UVU

63rd Commission on the Status of Women (CSW63)

Tabitha’s Way food kits

H.E. Mr. Jan Kickert, P.R. to Austria

H.E. Mr. Mahmadamin Mahmadaminov, P.R. to Tajikistan
Dirk William Gum
-BA Political Science
Engaged Learning Experience

- Joint Advocacy of the Mountain Women and Agenda at the United Nations
- Federal Indian Policy and Law.
- UIMF: Addressing Issues of Indigenous Sovereign Nations

“It is through engaged learning that I learned that there needs to bring awareness about this issue to the broader population.”
UN Sustainability Goal Number 5

“1 in 5 women and girls, including 19% of women and girls aged 15 - 49, have experienced physical and/or sexual violence by an intimate partner with the last 12 months” (#5).

The National Institute of Justice in the United States

Reports “84% of American Indian and Alaskan women have experienced sexual assault, this is 1.2x’s more likely than non-Hispanic white women.

Reports that in most cases the abusers are non-Indian, or non-tribal members.
The Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission NNHRC

U.S. and Canada are not “[ensuring] the safety and protection of Native women” recommends that the US and Canada “take immediate action to review, monitor, and provide comprehensive reports on violence against Indigenous women”

Navajo Area Indian Health Service

Response facilities that provide services to indigenous tribal members suffer from inadequate support structures and funding that they need to help these members when a crisis happens.
Hailee Hodgson
-Media Specialist UIMF
-BS National Security Studies
Hannah Hodgson
(My pioneer ancestor)

Relief Society General Presidency (left to right) Sharon Eubank, first counselor; Jean B. Bingham, president; Reyna I. Aburto, second counselor

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"3.1 percent unemployment is fabulous unless you’re looking to hire people. Our companies are saying, ‘We could grow faster, we could produce more product, if we had the workers.’" - Todd Bingham, the Utah Manufacturers Association President

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2015, American Community Survey.
Rural counties currently lead the state in the highest poverty and unemployment rates, and they have the lowest incomes and produce the least college graduates.

Sustainable Development in
Rural Utah: Roundtable
Hosted by: Utah International Mountain Forum and Lacee Meyer
Date: April 19th, 2019
When: 11 am - 1 pm
Where: UVU Campus
Laila Mitchell
-UIMF member
-BS National Security Studies
In 2016, 35 Utahns died from an overdose where both gabapentin and a prescription opioid were present.

Females accounted for 64% of the overdose deaths involving gabapentin and a prescription opioid from 2014-2016, in Utah.

Gabapentin and prescription opioid overdose death rates were highest among Utahns aged 45-54 from 2014-2016.

Figure 1: Number of Overdose Deaths with Gabapentin and a Prescription Opioid by Year, Utah 2012-2016
Ezra Pugliano
-UIMF Member
-BA Political Science
Every girl. Everywhere. Period.

DAYS FOR GIRLS INTERNATIONAL
Aldon Trimble
-UIMF Member
-BS Political Science
Possible Culture and Regulatory Changes:

- ONUM’s has a data driven approach that does not necessarily seek solutions for major problems, but seeks to completely understand the issues at hand so that we can inform decisions makers.

- When we approach civic problems with the intent to solve them we rigorously research the problems in order to completely understand them, then we seek innovative solutions and propose them.

- ONUM’s approach hopes to target specific FAO sustainable development goals in order to improve the community and the quality of life for the citizens, which in turn helps to develop Utah as an exemplar community.
Children of Incarcerated Parents Social Map: Placing the child at the center of the issue.

Our research approaches attempted to keep the child at the center focus.

It is a complex social issue with many dynamics, we wanted to take in as much data as possible.

Our research has yet to end but preliminary results show how several factors contribute to children of incarcerated parents having higher incarceration rates.

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- Distraction
- Frequent Absences
- Lack of Motivation
- No Perceived Benefit
- Learning Non-Attainment
- Absence of Teacher Trust

- Shame
- Mistrust from Institutional Stakeholders
- Stereotyped
- Bullying
- Different from Peers

- Normalized Criminality
- Peer Group
- Community Connection
- Socioeconomic Status
- Positive Peer Groups
- Drug Exposure
- Mentoring
- Disconnect from Community
- Sexual Promiscuity

- Unintentional Neglect
- Uintah County
- Lack of Role Model
- Nonprofit Efforts
- Forced into Adulthood
- Lack of Discipline
- Visitation Reforms
- Inhibited Brain Development
- Parental Awareness
- Lack of Aspirations
- Address Recidivism
- Stunted Emotional Growth
- Probation Reform