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International Virtual Academic Collaboration (IVAC)
OWL – Edmonton (Alberta, Canada)

Digital Student Exchange

The Digital Student Exchange program was initiated for students interested in intercultural German-Canadian exchange and designed as a mini-series with a total of six sessions from May to July 2021. All sessions took place online via Zoom which allowed students to meet and interact with each other in a more informal way. Hosted by students from the OWL universities, the program provided and interactive opportunity for peer-to-peer learning and communication across borders and cultures.



Alberta, Canada

University of Alberta

MacEwan University

Concordia University of Edmonton

Northern Alberta Institute of Teaching



OWL, Germany

Bielefeld University

Paderborn University

Bielefeld University of Applied Sciences

OWL University of Applied Sciences and Arts

Program Overview

Let's Meet

Friday, May 28, 2021 // 5-5.30 pm CET // 9.00-9.30 am MT Overview of the program, information about the Certificate of Participation, introduction round

02 Getting to know each other

Friday, June 4, 2021 // 5-5.30 pm CET // 9.00-9.30 am MT
Get to know your peers in the fun little game "5 Things"; in three rounds, we will explore Germany and Canada, communication in the digital age, and interests

03 All about Germany and Canada

Friday, June 11, 2021 // 5-5.30 pm CET // 9.00-9.30 am MT Ever wondered how your German or Canadian peer's country looks like? Get a closer look at the countries with a fun quiz and find out about similarities and differences between our two countries.

04 Getting to know OWL

Friday, June 25, 2021 // 5-5.30 pm CET // 9.00-9.30 am MT Interview and Q&A: A Canadian reports on her stay abroad in OWL

05 Getting to know Alberta

Friday, July 2, 2021 // 5-5.30 pm CET // 9.00-9.30 am MT
Interview and Q&A: A German student talks about her term abroad in Edmonton

Tinal Session: Jam Session with Sam Vance-LawFriday, July 16, 2021 // 5-5.30 pm CET // 9.00-9.30 am MT
Guest: the artist Sam Vance-Law (born in Edmonton, living in Germany)