In this issue
• Elver Park Outing
• Partner Spotlight
• Around the World with BRIDGE
• Event Reminders

Upcoming events

WEDDING TRADITIONS AROUND THE WORLD
Thursday, February 26th
7-9pm
Overture Center, Rotunda Stage
BRIDGE and the Multicultural Student Center invite you to come view amazing presentations and performances that represent the wedding traditions of cultures from around the world!
Appetizers, cake, and beverages will be provided! RSVP required.

BRIDGE Partner Spotlight

Name: Roza Smagulova
Year: Exchange Master’s Level Student
Major: Library and Information Studies
Hometown: Astana, Kazakhstan
Fun Fact: I started dance class when I was 4 and spent 14 years learning different styles
Hey BRIDGERS, I am Roza and I am from Kazakhstan. I love American movies especially from the 80-90s and it was always intriguing me if the life in the U.S. is similar to what I saw on the screen.

BRIDGE is an excellent opportunity to know the American life through making new friends that I have now. They help me to discover the history, culture and society as they are in fact…not as presented in the movies.

After my bachelor’s degree, I went to France as a volunteer for the social organization called “Emmaus”. There were volunteers from all over the world helping realize the mission of the movement to combat poverty and homelessness. The summer I was volunteering in different cities and it was a great experience of meeting people with different backgrounds and discovering the culture of France. A year later, I was a volunteer for the 27 Summer Universiade in Kazan, Tatarstan, Russia. International students from 162 countries participated in 27 sports in this historical Russian city.

I love reading fiction and zombie novels…which is not related to the choice of my profession. I recently started working on a French music blog and I hope to start my own because music is my passion. I love doing skateboard and dancing hip-hop. I also love drawing and writing. But my favorite hobby is travelling because I can always meet new friends. I hope to meet you all!

Elver Park Outing

On a frigid Thursday night, BRIDGE students bundled up and traveled to Elver Park for some winter fun. Students participated in ice skating, sledding, cross-country skiing, and hot chocolate drinking. There were many new adventures including learning how to play hockey, attempting to take a selfie on the ice, and accidentally going down the sledding hill backwards.
Numerous BRIDGE students conquered their fear of the ice by recently started working on a French music blog and I hope to start my own because music is my passion. I love doing skateboard and dancing hip-hop. I also love drawing and writing. But my favorite hobby is travelling because I can always meet new friends. I hope to meet you all!

BRIDGE is an excellent opportunity to know the American life through making new friends that I have now. They help me to discover the history, culture and society as they are in fact…not as presented in the movies.

After my bachelor’s degree, I went to France as a volunteer for the social organization called “Emmaus”. There were volunteers from all over the world helping realize the mission of the movement to combat poverty and homelessness. The summer I was volunteering in different cities and it was a great experience of meeting people with different backgrounds and discovering the culture of France. A year later, I was a volunteer for the 27 Summer Universiade in Kazan, Tatarstan, Russia. International students from 162 countries participated in 27 sports in this historical Russian city.

I love reading fiction and zombie novels…which is not related to the choice of my profession. I recently started working on a French music blog and I hope to start my own because music is my passion. I love doing skateboard and dancing hip-hop. I also love drawing and writing. But my favorite hobby is travelling because I can always meet new friends. I hope to meet you all!