

PRE-WORKSHOP RESOURCES

Videos

[Al Quds University](#) – Palestinian American Youth Civic Engagement: This program connects students at Al Quds University in the West Bank with peers in Iowa and Florida to focus on civic engagement in their respective communities and collectively develop a podcast on the topic.

[IREX](#) – Global Solutions Sustainability Challenge: This program brings together binational teams in the US and Jordan to collaboratively develop sustainability solutions for the hospitality industry.

[Johns Hopkins University](#) – Center for Bioengineering Innovation & Design: The team at JHU held a virtual exchange hackathon for students in Baltimore, Beirut, and Gaza. Students worked together in teams to solve for health challenges for vulnerable communities.

[William Davidson Institute at the University of Michigan](#) – M²GATE: This virtual exchange program brings together students in Michigan with peers in Morocco, Tunisia, Libya, and Egypt to collaborate on business plans for social enterprises.

Publications

[Virtual Exchange Typology](#): Establishing common terms and a shared understanding of key concepts will help virtual exchange practitioners and scholars understand what types of exchanges exist, how they are created, and what is required for implementation. This typology and glossary of terms is shared in an effort to improve mutual understanding among virtual exchange practitioners and enable further development of the field.

[Virtual Exchange Impact and Learning Report](#): The Stevens Initiative's 2019 Virtual Exchange Impact and Learning Report shares the Initiative's vision for the field of virtual exchange, evaluation data for recent Initiative-funded programs, and effective practices and common challenges for implementers.

[2020 Annotated Bibliography on Virtual Exchange Research](#): The Stevens Initiative's 2020 Annotated Bibliography on Virtual Exchange Research identifies and summarizes existing academic literature and research in the field of virtual exchange.

[Faculty Guide for COIL Course Development](#): This guide, released by the SUNY COIL Center, is a tool for educators interested in establishing a COIL course on their campus.

These resources and more can be found on the Stevens Initiative's resources page [here](#).

The Stevens Initiative is an international effort to build global competence and career readiness skills for young people in the United States and the Middle East and North Africa by growing and enhancing the field of virtual exchange. It is a lasting tribute to Ambassador J. Christopher Stevens, a public servant who dedicated himself to building understanding between people from different countries. The Stevens Initiative is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, with funding provided by the U.S. Government, and is administered by the Aspen Institute. It is also supported by the Bezos Family Foundation and the governments of Morocco and the United Arab Emirates.

