
GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT
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ANNUAL REPORT





GDP Center Director Kevin P. Gallagher discusses the crisis of multilateralism at the Council on Foreign Relations with Nobel Prize Winner Joseph E. Stiglitz, Maria Fernanda Espinosa, President of the United Nations General Assembly, and Mia Amor Mottley, Prime Minister of Barbados.



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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

BOSTON UNIVERSITY GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT POLICY CENTER



Dear Friends of the GDP Center,

Please allow us to share with you the highlights of our second academic year of activity. Founded in July of 2017, the GDP Center is a Boston University-wide center that is a partnership between the Office of Research and the Pardee School of Global studies here at BU. The mission of the GDP Center is to advance policy-oriented research for financial stability, human well-being, and environmental sustainability across the globe.

We now house four research initiatives at the GDP Center. The Center launched the Global China Initiative (GCI) this year, which examines the extent to which Chinese overseas development finance can help trigger a transformation toward a greener and more socially inclusive world. Together, GCI, LULI, HCI, and GEGI encompass the three pillars of sustainable development — environmental, social, and economic well-being.

The GDP Center hosted 58 events with over 1,700 attendees this past year ranging from high-level policy workshops to weekly research seminars. Highlights of the events include: the inaugural Paul Streeten Distinguished Lectureship given by Nobel Laureate Dr. Joseph E. Stiglitz with over 300 attendees at the new WBUR CitySpace in Brookline, Ma, and our annual event in Washington, DC, featuring Dr. Stiglitz, the President of the UNGA María Fernanda Espinosa, and the Prime Minister of Barbados Mia Amor Mottley with nearly 100 attendees. Both events were live-streamed and watched all over the world on the GDP Center YouTube channel. In addition, we hosted 14 public lectures, 13 workshops and conferences, 29 seminars, and 2 alumni/career events, 8 of which were live-streamed to the global community. These events provided students, community, and high-level officials the opportunity in a variety of forums to engage in meaningful, policy-forward dialogue.

During the 2018-2019 academic year, GDP Center researchers published 77 journal articles, working papers, or reports, and 7 policy briefs. The center received 68 media mentions from outlets such as the NY Times, NPR, Financial Times, Bloomberg, CNN Money, Forbes, Dialogo Chino, BBC Mundo, the Globalist, and others. Researchers and faculty also presented at conferences and/or conducted research in over 20 countries across the globe. Researchers presented their work in numerous policy-oriented venues, such as the T20, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences, the Inter-American Development Bank, the Woodrow Wilson Center, the Carter Center, and the Institute of New Structural Economics. We

released these publications and presentations at strategic times to targeted audiences to increase our policy impact. Furthermore, the GDP Center launched BU's first ever website in Chinese, with 4,283 visits in the first six months, as well as a WeChat account to better reach our Chinese audiences. Our social media presence has grown significantly over the last year, gaining three times the number of followers on both Twitter and Facebook. Our users are also thoughtfully engaged across many of our platforms, including our website, which received nearly 100,000 views this year alone.

The GDP Center provided abounding opportunity for students to engage in experiential learning over the course of the year. The center supported 29 student employees, 17 pre and post doctoral fellows, three Hubert Humphrey Fellows, and two visiting scholars, included in these numbers are five pre-doctoral fellows that were part of the Global China Fellows Program. These fellows, which included PhD Candidates from Boston University, Princeton, Fudan University, SOAS London, and Johns Hopkins, conducted research on various aspects of China's global involvement. The center also continued our Summer in the Field program. In our second year of the program, six BU student awardees from five colleges or departments received stipends to conduct summer field research or take part in an unpaid internship, which would otherwise have been financially unfeasible.

In addition, the GDP Center launched the annual Paul Streeten Distinguished Lectureship, in conjunction with the Economics Department's Institute for Economic Development, Dr. Joseph Stiglitz, a Nobel laureate economist, presented our inaugural distinguished lecture. The Center also began to build an advisory board, which will meet for the first time in September 2019. We have also drastically expanded our core and affiliated faculty members. Finally, the GDP Center and its core and affiliated faculty received a number of generous new grants to support our ongoing research.

We look forward to working with you to help us achieve our mission.

Sincerely,

Kevin P. Gallagher
Professor, Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies
Director, Global Development Policy Center.

GDP CENTER

YEAR IN REVIEW

Total Budget

\$1,732,114



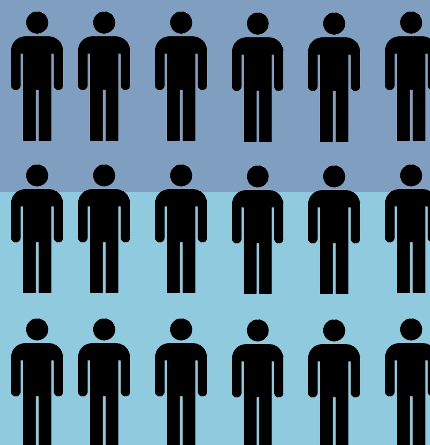
68 Media Mentions

4 NEW INTERACTIVE DATABASES

77

Working Papers, Journal Articles, & Reports

82,172+
Website Views
(August 2018-9)



58 Events
1,730 Attendees

41 Student Employees

36 COUNTRIES VISITED

4,283
Chinese Website Views
(Dec 2018- Aug 2019)
6,202
China Global Energy Finance
(CGEF) Database Views

GDP CENTER STRATEGY & MISSION

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Global Development Policy Center

Our mission is to advance policy-relevant knowledge for financial stability, human well-being, and environmental sustainability.



The Global Development Policy (GDP) Center is a university-wide research center in partnership with the Frederick S. Pardee School for Global Studies and the Office of Research at Boston University.

The ambition of the GDP Center is to be recognized for its intellectual leadership and global engagement. The GDP Center's strategic plan is outlined into five pillars for our first five-year plan. The five pillars are segmented by color and are reflected in the color tabs marked on each spread of this annual report.

There are two aspects of the GDP Center that make it unique among development-oriented centers across other academic institutions. First and foremost, the GDP Center recognizes that the development process is a complex one and thus we are accordingly interdisciplinary in our approach. To that end, we have assembled a faculty steering committee from the schools of law, engineering, business, public health, earth and environmental studies, economics, and global studies at Boston University.

Second, the GDP Center puts a premium on global engagement—generating concrete policy lessons from rigorous research and advancing such lessons into the global discourse.

The GDP Center strives to not only be a university-based *think* tank, but also a *do* tank.

5 STRATEGIC PILLARS



1. Foster a global development policy **community at Boston University**
2. Advance **scholarly knowledge** of global development policy
3. Engage in global **policy dialogue**
4. Support student **research & experiential learning**
5. Build a **global support base**

GDP CENTER LEADERSHIP



**Vice President and
Associate Provost for
Research**

Gloria Waters



**Inaugural Dean, Frederick S.
Pardee School of Global Studies;
Professor of International
Relations and Earth &
Environment**

Adil Najam



**Director, Global Development
Policy Center; Professor of
Global Development Policy**

Kevin P. Gallagher

MAINTAINED A TEAM OF DEDICATED, PROFESSIONAL STAFF

With a full core staff, we are ramping up our efforts to increasingly collaborate with our international partners in Africa, Asia, and Latin America to strengthen our capacity for research globally.

CORE TEAM



Assistant Director

William N. Kring



Center Administrator

Rebecca Dunn



**China Researcher
& Project Leader**

Xinyue Ma



**Outreach &
Communications
Specialist**

Sarah E. Lattrell



FOSTERING **COMMUNITY AT BOSTON UNIVERSITY**

In our second year, we are again proud to expand our team. We have built a core constituency that works collaboratively to research, engage, and envision solutions to the most pressing issues facing our world. Our faculty come to us from a wide array of disciplines spanning 17 schools and departments across BU including the College of Arts & Sciences (CAS), College of Communications, Metropolitan College (MET), School of Social Work (STW), School of Public Health (SPH), LAW School, Questrom School of Business, and College of Engineering.

47 Affiliated Faculty

23 Core

24 Affiliate



Dr. Julie M. Klinger recording a live National Public Radio interview on rare earth metals and renewable energy technologies. (June 2019)



Dr. Mahesh Karra in the field with student researchers in Malawi. (May 2019)

17 Schools & Departments



Inaugural Paul Streeten Distinguished Lectureship (March 2019)

Dilip Mookerjee, professor of economics, director of BU's Institute for Economic Development, and GDP Center steering committee member, fielding questions with Nobel Laureate Joseph E. Stiglitz, at the inaugural Paul Streeten Distinguished Lecture held at the new WBUR CitySpace.



4 RESEARCH INITIATIVES

NEW Initiative

GCI

Global China Initiative

The Global China Initiative (GCI) examines the extent to which Chinese overseas development finance can help trigger a transformation toward a greener and more socially inclusive world.

HCI

Human Capital Initiative

The Human Capital Initiative (HCI) advances interdisciplinary research on the role of human capital in human development to inform policy for global challenges such as poverty, gender equality, and sustainable economic growth.

LULI

Land Use & Livelihoods Initiative

The Land Use & Livelihoods Initiative advances policy-relevant research on the impacts of international institutions, domestic policies, and local practices on ecosystem and human well-being in regions with commodity based resource extraction.

GEGI

Global Economic Governance Initiative

The Global Economic Governance Initiative (GEGI) examines the extent to which international economic institutions can foster financial stability and sustainable development.

NEW FACULTY SPOTLIGHT



Patricia Cortes

Associate Director of HCI

Patricia Cortes is an Associate Professor of Markets, Public Policy, and Law at the Boston University Questrom School of Business and **Associate Director of the Human Capital Initiative** at the Global Development Policy Center. She is an empirical labor economist working on international migration and gender. In her work she has studied how low-skilled immigration affects prices and the labor supply of high skilled women in the US, female migration flows in East Asia, the migration of Filipino nurses to the US, and the role of the demand for time flexibility in explaining gender pay gaps and occupation segregation. Her ongoing projects include a study on the barriers to female labor force participation in Saudi Arabia and an investigation of gender differences in negotiation and job search using experimental methods. Cortes obtained her PhD in Economics from MIT and a Master's and Bachelor's degree in Economics from La Universidad de los Andes in Bogota, Colombia.

NEW INITIATIVE
GLOBAL CHINA INITIATIVE

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“The GDP Center's academic and policy-oriented focus made me think about what kind of career I'd like to have after the PhD. Rather than be a traditional academic stuck inside the four walls of the university and conversing with other academics, reaching out to non-academics in government and industry is crucial to developing solutions to solve development problems.”

- Alvin Camba, GCI Fellow 2019

FIRST BOSTON UNIVERSITY WEBSITE IN CHINESE



SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED CHINESE SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS INCLUDING WECHAT & WEIBO WITH OVER 1,000 FOLLOWERS

ESTABLISHED AND WELCOMED TWO COHORTS OF GLOBAL CHINA DOCTORAL FELLOWS

YEAR TWO HIGHLIGHTS

Our Second Year

“The only true and sustainable prosperity is shared prosperity.”

Joseph E. Stiglitz

1. PAUL STREETEN DISTINGUISHED LECTURESHIP

Our inaugural distinguished lectureship in collaboration with the Institute for Economic Development and the Economics Department at Boston University



2. CRISIS OF MULTILATERALISM PANEL DISCUSSION IN D.C.

With Nobel Prize Winner Joseph E. Stiglitz, Maria Fernanda Espinosa, President of the United Nations General Assembly, and Mia Amor Mottley, Prime Minister of Barbados



4. GDP CENTER OPEN HOUSE

Featuring Pardee School Dean Adil Najam on the recent Pakistan National Human Development Report (NHDR) on Youth



3. REFORMING THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND (IMF)

T20 panel discussion with former ministers of developing countries



5. THIRD ANNUAL POPULATION HEALTH SCIENCE RESEARCH WORKSHOP



6. IMPROVING REMOTE SENSING FOR TROPICAL RAINFOREST MONITORING

Featuring Inge Jonckheere of the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

7. COLLABORATIVE WORKSHOP ON CHINESE OVERSEAS INVESTMENT



8. TRADE TREATIES & ACCESS TO MEDICINES WORKSHOP

in Washington, D.C.



9. LULI GRADUATE STUDENT WORKSHOP



10. ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS TO THE BANKING SYSTEM

Visiting Scholar Daniel Schryblovsky



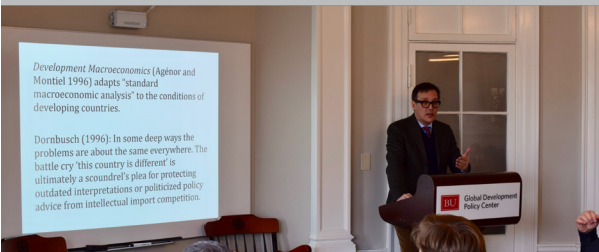
11. A NEW MULTILATERALISM FOR SHARED PROSPERITY

GDP Center and UNCTAD joint workshop



12. PRESENTATION ON BU'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS

Visiting Scholar Michele Alacevich



13. HCI ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR MAHESH KARRA TAKES RESEARCH GROUP INTO THE FIELD

Group photo from field research trip in Malawi 2019





PROVIDING STUDENT RESEARCH & EXPERIENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES

HUBERT H. HUMPHREY FELLOWS



Hadiza Gagara
Dagah

This year, GDP Center Assistant Director William Kring worked closely with Humphrey Fellow Hadiza Gagara Dagah in researching the African Monetary Fund (AMF). In addition to conducting an in-depth analysis of the institutional design and legal charter of the AMF, they partnered with Daniel Bradlow at the University of Pretoria to write a policy brief encouraging African Union leadership to link trade integration efforts to the full implementation of the AMF.



As a SiFF at the Africa CDC, I have been given a great opportunity to contribute to an institution that I hopefully hope to work at after completing my Doctor of Public Health degree. My work at Africa CDC has allowed me to network with public health leaders across the African continent and beyond, and gain new insight on the strategic direction of the Africa CDC and the African Union in shaping "the Africa we want."

Summer in the Field Fellow 2019
Hiwote Solomon
DrPH Candidate,
School of Public Health

2019 SUMMER IN THE FIELD



Amelia Dangerfield,
Frederick S. Pardee
School of Global Studies



Emily Hammel,
School of Public Health
(SPH)



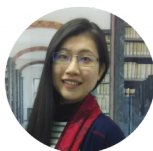
Jonathan D. Shaffer,
Graduate School of
Arts & Sciences,
Department of Sociology



Hiwote Solomon,
School of Public Health
(SPH)



Kehan Wang,
Graduate School of Arts &
Sciences, Department of
Political Science



Zeying Wu,
Graduate School of
Arts & Sciences, Department
of Political Science



The Summer in the Field Program offers summer stipends up to \$4,000 to qualified Masters and PhD students to participate in internship opportunities and field research related to the mission of the GDP Center. Our Summer in the Field Research Fellows (SiFF) for 2019 are Amelia Dangerfield, Emily Hammel, Jonathan D. Shaffer, Hiwote Solomon, Kehan Wang, and Zeying Wu.

Each fellow has a unique area of research focused on a topical area for the GDP Center: Amelia Dangerfield's field research aims to evaluate contraceptive decision-making in Lilongwe, Malawi; Emily Hammel's role as a field representative for Saha Global addresses environmental sustainability issues in Northern Ghana; Jonathan Shaffer's pilot fieldwork in collaboration with Partners in Health aims to study expansion of clinical care for noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) in Kono District, Sierra Leone; Hiwote Solomon's project with Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) supports the establishment of the Africa CDC Institute for Workforce Development in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia; Kehan Wang's research tracks the development of China's automobile industry in different regions throughout China, and Zeying Wu's research at the Asian Reading Room of the Library of Congress in Washington D.C and field research in Shenzhen, China focuses on Japanese public opinion on trade conflicts in the early 1980s.



By collaborating with Dr. Munoz, energy expert at the Center, I created a database on financial flow from the development finance institutions into the energy sector in the member states of the Southern African Development Community. In so doing, I also researched the project financing structure of the China-Africa Development Fund. This is the first scholarly effort of its kind!

Hangwei Li
GCI Fellow

PRE- & POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWS +

6 Summer in The Field Fellows,
8 Communications Fellows,
2 Humphrey Fellows,
& 27 Research Fellows



COMMUNICATION FELLOWS

With the rapid growth of the GDP Center, we've relied on a team of communications assistants to help with both English and Chinese audience outreach. We also worked with BU's College of Communication AdLab team to create a short promotional video for the GDP Center.



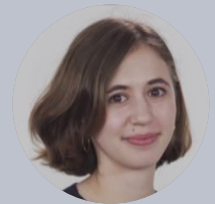
Bansari Kamdar



Yunhan Chen



Yumeng Wang



Katherine Kahley



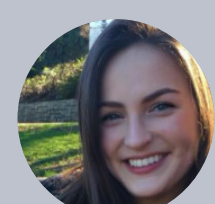
Yawen Shuai



Margaret Fuller



Abdulshaheed
Alqunber



Amelia Dangerfield

↪ PUBLICATION HIGHLIGHTS

DEVELOPMENT &
CHANGE JOURNAL
SPECIAL ISSUE
(July 2019)



LULI CORE FACULTY
RACHAEL GARRETT
PUBLISHED IN *GLOBAL ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE*
(July 2019)



GDP CENTER & BROOKINGS INSTITUTION REPORT PUBLISHED ON CLIMATE GOALS & 2030 AGENDA FOR THE G20
(JUNE 2019)



HCI ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR
MAHESH KARRA
PUBLISHED IN *INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF EPIDEMIOLOGY*
(May 2019)

GDP CENTER REPORTS TRANSLATED IN 3 LANGUAGES
Spanish, Portuguese, & Chinese
(+ 9 Working Papers, a Spanish Language Book, & 4 Background Papers)



HCI CORE FACULTY
SAMUEL BAZZI
PUBLISHED IN *NBER*
(March 2019)



GLOBAL COMMUNICATIONS

This year, we launched a Chinese version of the GDP Center website as well as established a presence on two new Chinese social media channels, WeChat and Weibo. We have over 1,000 followers on WeChat and received over 4,000 views to the new Chinese language website. We've prioritized translating our work to expand the reach of our research to relevant audiences.



Student from Tunisia at UNCTAD Summer School 2019 reading a copy of the GDP Center joint report with UNCTAD, entitled, A New Multilateralism for Shared Prosperity.

Over the last year, **our website received nearly 100,000 views**. This is double the viewership we had last year. Our goal in the next year is to make our website a more streamlined resource for internal and external audiences working on global development policy. In addition, our social media accounts are rapidly gaining followers. We now have 771 followers on Twitter (7x last year's number) and 3,046 followers on Facebook (20x last year).

Among the resources on our website are our two energy finance databases. Our China Global Energy Finance (CGEF) Database has been cited across a number of major media outlets including the NYTimes and Financial Times. The **CGEF database had 6,202 views** in the last year.

We've had **68 media mentions** in major media outlets:

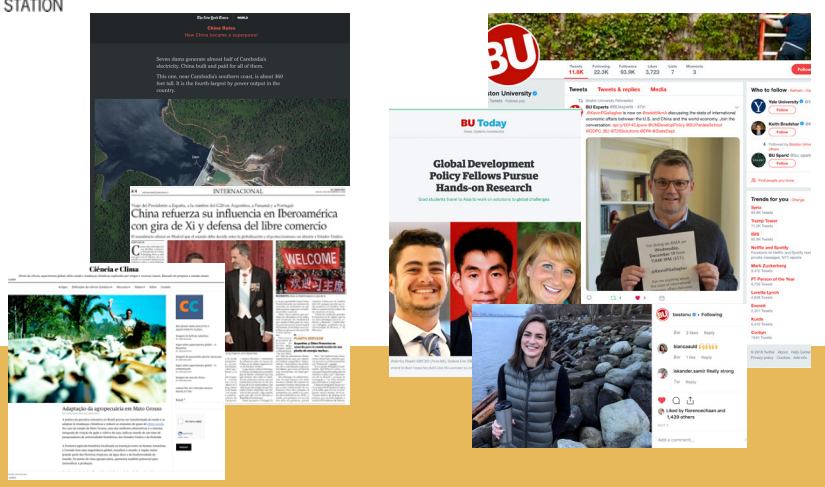


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The GDP Center has been invaluable to my experience at BU. It has allowed me to work closely with my professors and develop relationships with them outside of the classroom, which has given me academic and professional opportunities I would not have received otherwise.

Communications Fellow
Amelia Dangerfield
Pardee M.A. Candidate

With both local & international coverage



ENGAGEMENT IN POLICY DIALOGUE

One of the main pillars of the strategic plan for the GDP Center is to engage in policy discourse. With the launch of our new GCI initiative, the GDP Center is becoming an expert resource for data and commentary on Chinese overseas development finance. GDP Center research was featured in a large NYTimes interactive this year on China's rising influence.



Public Lecture with Dean Naoyuki Yoshino
Dean Naoyuki Yoshino of the Asian Development Bank Institute visited the Global Development Policy Center to present on monetary and fiscal policy challenges in Japan. The public lecture, which took place at the Boston University Pardee School of Global Studies, built on the discussions from our February 28th T20 workshop and was the keynote lecture for our March 1st workshop funded by the Japan Foundation.

This year, we have hosted **13 policy workshops** both in Boston and abroad with our international partners. One of our highlighted workshops this year was the T-20 Japan workshop co-hosted by the GDP Center in Boston. GDP Center Director Kevin P. Gallagher serves as the co-chair of the T-20 task force on "An International Financial Architecture for Stability and Development" to advise the G-20 and its members on financial infrastructure and monetary policy globally. The GDP Center has continued to use this leverage and visibility to host workshops and to advance policy relevant research on the world stage.



Workshop on the Global Financial Safety Net in Boston, March 2019:
We partnered with the Japan Foundation Center for Global Partnership to host a workshop entitled "Leading by Design: Lessons from CMIM-AMRO for the Global Financial Safety Net." The workshop included a variety of topics related to global financial safety, including Regional Financial Arrangements (RFAs), monetary and fiscal policy challenges, and global ecosystems of surveillance.



Dr. Sam Bazzi in rural West Java with former migrants:
Sam Bazzi conducting research with a focus group of former migrants in rural West Java. Last fall, Sam presented his preliminary findings to the Indonesian Government Agency for the Placement and Protection of Indonesian Workers overseas with two of his research assistants.



AMRO Workshop in Singapore:
The roundtable discussion convened a group of experts and academics to take stock of regional surveillance efforts to date and develop a vision for their further development. In particular, the workshop served as a platform for the sharing of experiences between IMF and regional financial arrangements (RFAs) and focused on how to scale up and leverage regional surveillance capacity and how to foster constructive collaboration between the IMF and RFAs.



POLICY ENGAGEMENT



Rebecca Roy presenting at the Carter Center (Spring 2019)



Dr. Julie Klinger visits D.C. with Yanomami leader (Summer 2019): LULI Associate Director Julie M. Klinger with Yanomami leader Davi Kopenawa when he met with MA Senator James Eldridge to discuss the situation of Indigenous Peoples in the Amazon.



Trade & Medicines Workshop in Washington, D.C.: The GDP Center held a workshop titled "Rethinking Trade Treaties and Access to Medicines: Toward a Policy Oriented Research Agenda for the Sustainable Development Goals" on March 21, 2019 at Boston University's Washington, DC offices. The initial workshop focused on identifying knowledge gaps in the evaluation of the compatibility of the trade regime with the ability of nation-states to implement policies for universal access to medicines at the national level and that will help stakeholders calibrate the trade regime toward meeting SDG 3.



Dr. Mahesh Karra presenting findings in Malawi: Mahesh Karra presenting preliminary results from his family planning field research to the World Bank and the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) in Lilongwe, Malawi.



GDP Center co-hosting T-20 meeting in Beijing with CASS IWEP. Director Kevin P. Gallagher & China Project Lead Xinyue Ma featured above.

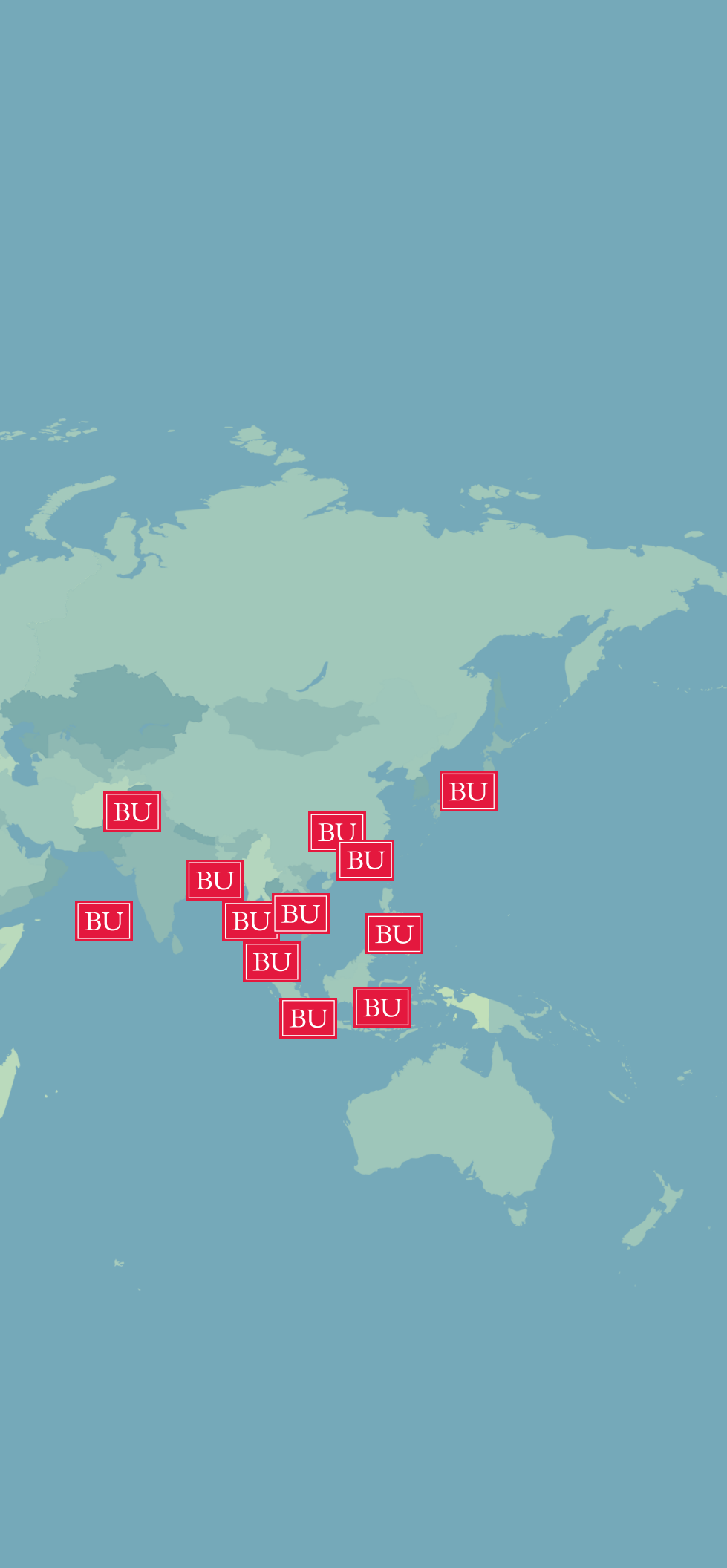


TOTAL PUBLICATIONS

77 JOURNAL ARTICLES,
WORKING PAPERS & REPORTS

7 POLICY BRIEFS IN NUMEROUS
LANGUAGES

17 OPINION ARTICLES



Photos from the top of page

(1) Photo from SiFF Emily Hammel from the School of Public Health in Ghana

(2.) SiFF Hiwote Solomon in Ethiopia for her internship with the African CDC.

(3) HCI Associate Director Mahesh Karra during fieldwork in Malawi with students and community members.



SECOND YEAR, FY19

GDP CENTER FINANCES



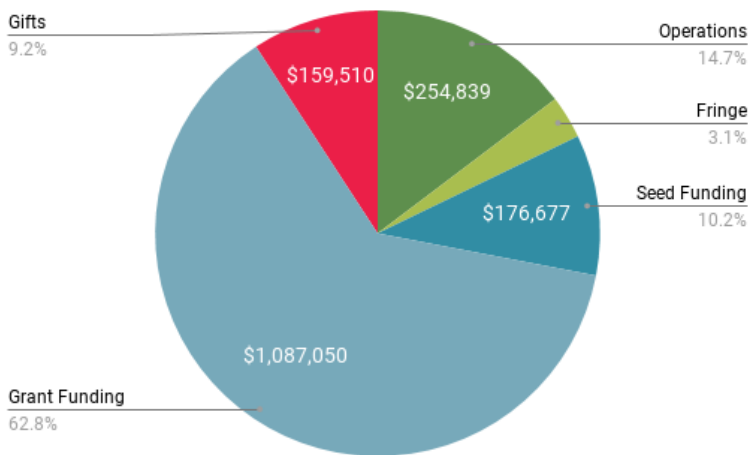
BUILDING A GLOBAL SUPPORT BASE

BUDGET BREAKDOWN

\$1,732,114 USD

TOTAL BUDGET

GDP Center FY19 Budgeted Expenditures - \$1,732,114



The growth that the GDP Center experienced in year two would not have been possible without the increased support of our generous funders. The \$254,839 operating budget from BU's Office of Research and the \$176,667 seed funding for new research from BU's Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies were both far surpassed by a total budget of \$1.08 million in grant funding. This is a 67% increase in grant funding from year one. New awards with year two start dates total \$1,684,424, with 17 awards applied for and 9 new awards received. In addition, the GDP Center received generous gifts from the global community totaling \$159,510, bringing our total year two operating budget to \$1,732,114. Beyond the \$1.7 million in GDP Center led fundraising and expenditure in the accompanying pie chart, the GDP Center's affiliate faculty raised and expended an additional \$3.9 million in FY19.

CURRENT FUNDERS

Beyond the generous support of the Boston University Office of Research and the Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies, our second year was also made possible by our inaugural group of funders.



LOOKING FORWARD

Looking to 2020

OUR VISION

In our second year, we have been proud to continue to build the Global Development Policy Center. Our vision as a center, as with our mission, is future-oriented and helps us to focus on how we can advance policy-oriented research here at Boston University and around the world. Key highlights from this year include: the successful launch of the Global China Initiative and Global China Fellows Program; the expansion of the Summer in the Field Program; the establishment of the Paul Streeten Distinguished Lectureship; and the creation of the first Boston University website entirely in Chinese.

Below are the top five goals that will enable us to move forward and achieve our mission and ensure success in year three:

1. **Establish an alumni advisory board**
2. **Officially launch and foster the growth of the Human Capital Initiative**
3. **Continue to generate peer-reviewed literature, media attention, and policy engagement**
4. **Expand experiential learning opportunities for students**
5. **Broaden the global support base of the GDP Center**

We thank you for your support as we continue to create and advance

**policy research
for a better world.**

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