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*The Liberal Arts, Civic Engagement and Social  
Entrepreneurship:  
The Role of College and University Students*

*March 20-26, 2016*

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## **Sunday, March 20**

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### **Location:**

**CEU Residence and Conference Center**

**H-1106 Budapest, Kerepesi ut 87**

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- 9:00 – 4:30 pm     Checking-in; explore on your own
- 4:30 pm             Return to Conference Center
- 5:00 – 5:30 pm     Meet and Greet
- 5:30 – 6:30 pm     **Welcome Dinner**  
Mentor Groups Meet Up and Presentation Review
- 6:30 – 6:40 pm     **Conference Opening**  
*Jonathan Becker, Center for Civic Engagement (CCE) Director and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Bard College Annandale*
- 6:40 – 7:30 pm     **Welcome: Higher Education and Civic Engagement**  
*Leon Botstein, President, Bard College*
- 7:30 – 8:30 pm     **Who is in the Room?**  
*Erin Cannan, Dean of Civic Engagement and Vice President for Student Affairs, Bard Annandale*  
*Dariel Vasquez, Conference Fellow and Founder of Brothers at Bard, Bard Annandale*

## **Monday, March 21**

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7:30 – 8:10 am Breakfast at lodging

### **Location:**

**CEU Residence and Conference Center  
H-1106 Budapest, Kerepesi ut 87**

9:00 – 10:00 am **What is Social Entrepreneurship?**

*Erin Cannan, Dean of Civic Engagement and Vice President for Student Affairs,  
Bard Annandale*

10:00 – 12:30 pm **Workshop: Principles of Public Speaking**

*Paul Marienthal, Dean for Social Action and Director of the Trustee Leader  
Scholar (TLS) Program, Bard Annandale*

12:30 – 1:30 pm Lunch Meet Up with Mentors, Presentation Review

1:30 – 2:30 pm Travel downtown

### **Location:**

**Downtown Budapest – Tourist Sites**

3:00 – 5:00 pm Alumni-led Walking Tours led by Kellner Scholars

### **Location:**

**Central European University (CEU)**

**School of Public Policy (SPP)**

**Okt. 6/7, 101 and 102**

5:30 – 7:30 pm **Bard Alumni/ae Reception & Light Buffet Dinner**

**CEU/SPP Welcome**

**Welcoming Remarks:**

*Debra Pemstein, Vice President of Development and Alumni Affairs, Bard  
Annandale*

*Julia Buxton, Professor of Comparative Politics Associate of the SPP and Dean  
for Academic Affairs and Programs, CEU*

*Liviu Matei, Provost, and Pro-Rector, CEU*

*Chrysovalantis Margaritides, Bard '98, Dean of Students, CEU*

*In attendance: Bard alumni/ae, current CEU students and fellows, and  
representatives from Open Society Foundations (OSF)*

7:30 – 8:15 pm Mentor Wrap-up Session: Final Presentation Plans

## **Tuesday, March 22**

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7:30 – 8:10 am Breakfast at lodging

### **Location:**

**Central European University**

**Budapest, Nádor u. 9, 1051**

**Popper Room, Monument Building**

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- 9:00 – 9:15 am Checking-in  
*Erin Cannan, Dean of Civic Engagement and Vice President for Student Affairs, Bard Annandale*
- 9:15 – 9:45 am **Postgraduate Opportunities**  
*Edit Kalman, Head of Student Recruitment, CEU*  
*Gabriella Emszt, Student Recruitment Assistant, CEU*
- 9:45 – 10:45 am **Role of Media: Social Media for Social Good**  
*Adri Bruckner, Director of Communications, CEU*  
*Jim Friedlich, Co-Founder and President of Empirical Media, CCE Advisory Board*
- Social Media Workshop**  
*Adri Bruckner, Director of Communications, CEU*  
*Constanze Jeitler, MA Student, Department of History and Founder/Manager of CEU Helps, CEU*  
*Aranka Szabo, Digital Content Manager, CEU*
- 10:45 – 11:45 am **Art of Facilitation**  
*Dariel Vasquez, Conference Fellow and Founder of Brothers at Bard, Bard Annandale*
- 11:45 – 1:00 pm **Proposal Writing and how to be a Good Grantee**  
*Kristof Zoltan Varga, Program Director of OSF-CEU Liaison Office*
- 1:00 – 1:45 pm Lunch
- 1:45 – 2:45 pm **Community Projects: Challenges and Opportunity**  
Panel discussion with TLS leaders from our international campuses  
Moderator: *Brian Mateo, Assistant Dean of Civic Engagement, Bard Annandale*

Panelists:

*Jonathan Becker, CCE Director and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Bard Annandale*

*Paul Marienthal, Dean for Social Action and Director of the TLS Program Bard Annandale*

*Tatsiana Babich, Head of Student Services, European Humanities University  
Anatoliy Fedorenko, Coordinator of the Student Initiative Development Program, AUCA*

*Xenia Muth, Civic Engagement Coordinator, Bard College Berlin*

*Sam Shapiro, Bard '13, Student-Led Initiatives Coordinator, Al-Quds Bard College for Arts and Sciences (AQB),*

2:45 – 4:00 pm    **Hungary Political Climate and Impacts on NGOs**  
*Balazs Denes, Director, European Civil Liberties Project, OSF*

4:00 – 4:15 pm    Break

**4:15 – 5:00 pm    Student Presentations**

**Location:**

**Residence of László Bitó**

**1114 Budapest**

**Bartok Bela ut 76 III.em.2**

6:00 pm            Network Reception with **László Bitó, Bard '60**

**Wednesday, March 23**

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7:30 – 8:10 am    Breakfast at lodging

**Location:**

**Central European University**

**Budapest, Nádor u. 9, 1051**

**Auditorium, Monument Building**

9:00 – 9:15 am    Checking-in  
*Erin Cannan, Dean of Civic Engagement and Vice President for Student Affairs, Bard Annandale*

**9:15–11:00 am    Students Presentations**

11:00 – 11:30 am Break

11:30 – 12:15 pm **Innovation and Creativity: Making a Difference**  
*László Bitó, Bard '60*

12:15 – 1:15 pm Lunch

**Location:**

**Popper Room, Monument Building**

1:15 – 2:30 pm **Civic Engagement: CEU's Commitment to Engagement**  
**Panel: Student Engagement, the Aleppo Project and Institutional Commitment** (<http://www.thealeppoproject.com>)

*Andrea Gruber, Civic Engagement Officer, CEU*

*Chrysovalantis Margaritides, Bard '98, Dean of Students, CEU*

*AlHakam Shaar, Aleppo Project/Center for Conflict, Negotiation and Recovery Fellow, CEU*

*Armenak Tokmajyan, Aleppo Project/Center for Conflict, Negotiation and Recovery Fellow, CEU*

2:30 – 3:45 pm **Networking: A Skill**

**Moderator:** *Chrysovalantis Margaritides, Bard '98, Dean of Students, CEU*  
*Debra Pemstein, Vice President of Development and Alumni Affairs, Bard Annandale*

*Cristina Balint-Nagy, Career Services Manager, CEU*

*Adri Bruckner, Director of Communications, CEU*

*Simona Gamonte, Program Coordinator, Human Rights Initiative, CEU*

*Trisha Tanner, Vice President for Development, CEU*

3:45 - 4:00 pm Break

4:00 – 6:00 pm **Workshop: Strategies for Youth Engagement**  
*Rita Galambos, Director of Strategic Development, Foundation for Democratic Youth in Hungary*

6:00 – 6:30 pm Mentor Meet Up

7:15 pm **Network Administrators' Discussion:** Supporting Student Civic Engagement Projects with Rita Galambos (Administrators only)

## **Thursday, March 24**

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7:30 – 8:10 am Breakfast at lodging

### **Location:**

**Central European University**

**Budapest, Nádor u. 9, 1051**

**Auditorium, Monument Building**

9:00 – 9:15 am Checking-in

*Paul Marienthal, Dean for Social Action and Director of the Trustee Leader Scholar (TLS) Program, Bard Annandale*

**9:15–12:30 pm Student Presentations**

12:20 – 1:15 pm Lunch

**1:15 – 2:00 pm Student Presentations**

### **Location:**

**Various sites**

2:00 – 5:00 pm

#### **Site Visits – Innovation in Action – Your Choice**

- *Open Society Foundations, Higher Education Support Program (Engaging with Higher Education)*
- *Open Society Archives (Human rights and Cold War archive and lab)*
- *Foundation for Democratic Youth (DIA)*
- *Civic Enterprises (Senior Mentor Program for elementary school students)*

5:00 pm Free Evening

### **Optional talk**

**Location:**

**Central European University**

**Budapest, Nádor u. 11, 1051**

**Smart Room (004)**

5:30 pm

#### **What Happened to the Arab Spring: The View from Egypt**

*James Ketterer, Dean of International Studies, Bard College*



## **Friday, March 25**

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7:30 – 8:10 am Breakfast

### **Location:**

**Central European University**

**Budapest, Nádor u. 9, 1051**

**Auditorium, Monument Building**

**Popper Room for breakout sessions**

9:00 – 9:15 am Meet with mentors

### **9:15–12:30 pm Student Presentations**

12:30 – 1:15 pm Closing Lunch

### **1:15 – 3:30 pm Site Visits**

- *OSF Roma Initiatives (Promote Roma rights)*
- *BIOM (Experiential education for youth in foster care)*
- *Romani Design (Hungary's first Roma design studio)*

## **Saturday, March 26**

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Leave for home