



Student Associates Honors Program



The Taiwan cohort 2025 presents the *Perspectives of Business and Economics: Resilient Taiwan* journal to Ambassador Tom Chih-Chiang Lee, Director General of Taipei and Cultural Office.



TAIWAN COHORT 2025 at Harmonie L to R: Trinity A. Price '25, Hannah M. Falatko '25, Ying Wu '25, Dariia N. Tyshchenko '25, Ella R. Rossetti '25, and Sean M. Davis '25.

HARMONIE CLUB ALUMNI EVENT

November 20, 2025

It was an exciting night at the Harmonie Club on November 20 as Ambassador Tom Chih-Chiang Lee, Director General of Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) and UN Affairs Task Force in New York, John Yih Lin, and Peggy Wu, education division of TECO in New York joined us to accept volume 43 of the *Perspectives of Business and Economics: Resilient Taiwan*.

After a few minutes of reflection on her experience of personal and professional growth through the Martindale program and her trip to Taiwan (her first international flight), Trinity A. Price '25 presented the journal to Ambassador Lee on behalf of the Martindale Center and the Taiwan cohort.

During his remarks, Ambassador Lee expressed his appreciation that the word "resilience" is in the title of the Martindale journal. Lee stated that in order to respond to the growing threat of China, Taiwan has to depend on their defense and resilience.

"In Taiwan we have no natural resources, the only thing we have is human capital. And we must also build up our resilient economy in order to survive. Resilience is the key word to our survival and success," Lee said. He continued to congratulate the students and thank them for their research, the journal, and the opportunity for Taiwan to participate in the program.

At Harmonie, 100 alumni, students faculty, and guests, including 11 consulate officials from 8 countries celebrated the hard work and achievements of the Taiwan cohort: Sean M. Davis '25, Hannah Falatko '25, Muzammil Jawed '25, Mansoor Mughal '25, Anoushka Nambiar '25, Jonathan Osika '25, Nicole Pasterczyk '25, Trinity A. Price '25, Ella R. Rossetti '25, Nađa Stojanović '25, Dariia Tyshchenko '25, and Ying Wu '25.

The Taiwan cohort was inducted into the Martindale Society by Faith R. Glazier '87 Retired Principal, Deloitte

Consulting and Lehigh University Trustee, Martindale Student Associates Honors Program 1986–87 (Canada).

Taiwan research reports were presented by Hannah M. Falatko '25 on *Super Aged Taiwan: Addressing the Challenges to Health-Care Sustainability* and Dariia N. Tyshchenko '25 on *Cybersecurity as Part of Defense and Security Policy in Taiwan*.

Croatia research reports were presented by Gus Maas '27 on the topic of reform of Croatia's banking and financial service sector; Estefania Ravello Reyna '26 on environmental governance in Croatia; and Olivia Lundquist '26 on the waste management system in Croatia.

Manoj Malhotra, Kevin L. and Lisa A. Clayton Dean of the College of Business gave the institutional welcome and Todd A. Watkins, Executive Director of Martindale, as always, embraced his master of ceremonies role with style.

INCLUSIVE FINANCE

Under the direction of Todd Watkins, Executive Director of the Martindale Center, Lehigh students continue their work with the African Center for Governance and Economic Management (ACGEM). This semester, students are working on policy proposals to expand financial access to underserved communities in Ghana to share with that country's government. They will travel to Ghana in January to further their research.

Past Ghana research includes co-branded Martindale/ACGEM policy briefs mitigating corruption in Ghana.

The Martindale Center's MOU with ACGEM is part of Lehigh's expanded international partnerships across four continents for the 2024-25 academic year, enhancing opportunities for students, faculty, and researchers in diverse fields such as economics, entrepreneurship and sustainable energy.

ALUMNI CAREER NIGHT

Thank you to Martindalers, Ben Murphy-Schmehl '24 (Morocco), Research Associate, Corporate Insight; Hanna Skinner '20 (South Africa), MBA student, Kellogg Graduate School of Management, Northwestern University; and Ben Wainfan '23 (Denmark), Debt Capital Markets Associate, Bank of America for sharing their time and experience with current and prospective Lehigh economics majors and minors at the "Young Alumni Economics Career Night." Hosted by the economics department on November 11, the Martindale alumni shared information about their careers and offered advice about searching for internships and jobs, skill development, and Lehigh courses.

MARTINDALE FAMILY SHOUT-OUTS

Congratulations to

- Jordan Wolman '21 (South Africa) for joining CommonWealth Beacon, a nonprofit newsroom, in Boston as a senior reporter covering MA politics and policy, with a focus on climate and transportation.
- Michelle Juarez, MD '16 (Czech Rep) on her move to St. Luke's University Health Network in the Lehigh Valley. She is a board-certified dermatologist, a fellowship-trained Mohs micrographic surgeon and a member of American College of Mohs Surgery.
- Will Yaeger '24 (Morocco) for his recent move to Chicago to start a PhD in Ecology and Evolution at the University of Chicago, studying the genetic mechanisms behind rapid adaptation in plants as an NSF Graduate Research Fellow. He recently returned from Perú where he studied fungal pathogens of cacao as a Fulbright.
- David Morency '18 (UK) and his wife, Jeannie, for the birth of their first child, Joel, in September.
- Madeline Weiss '13, (Colombia) and Andrew Wallstein '13 (Tauck Scholar) for the birth of their daughter, Maya Faye, in July.
- Andrew Tye '13 (Colombia) and his wife, Ashley, for the birth of their son, Leo Brett, in December.
- Lisa Heintzelman '16, (Czech Rep) and James Bour, her fiancée, on their engagement in Houston.
- Veronica McKinny '18 (UK), on her recent graduation from the University of Edinburgh with her PhD in physics.
- Dan Rosenthal '92 (Czechoslovakia) whose son, Gregory, started at Lehigh as a freshman this fall.
- Hashem Al Hattab '26, Claire Wilson '26, Estefania Ravelo Reyna '26, Olivia Lundquist '26, Sophia Taskov '26, and Aaron Williams '26 (Croatia) honored at the Future Makers Convocation on 11/12. A total of 96 Lehigh University students from signature high impact programs at Lehigh were celebrated for their achievements as "Future Makers", students whose work and insight are shaping the future of our community, economy and planet through advancing knowledge, societal impact, advancing praxis and professional recognition.

COLLABORATIONS

The Martindale Center:

- is proud to support and subsidize the Lehigh Impact Finance Association club which aims to educate Lehigh students on the world of inclusive finance and impact investing. Joseph (Gus) Maass '27 (Croatia) is co-founder and president of the club
- coordinated (Mel Gallagher) and partially funded the BEEMA (a group of behavioral economists) conference held at Lehigh University on 9/12.

THANK YOU

Thank you for helping us offer Martindale programs—notably the Student Associates Honors Program—at no cost to deserving students and their families. We enclose a solicitation card and ask you to kindly give as you are able. Or, to make a gift or multi-year pledge for the new fund, this URL will direct you to the giving page.

