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Abstract

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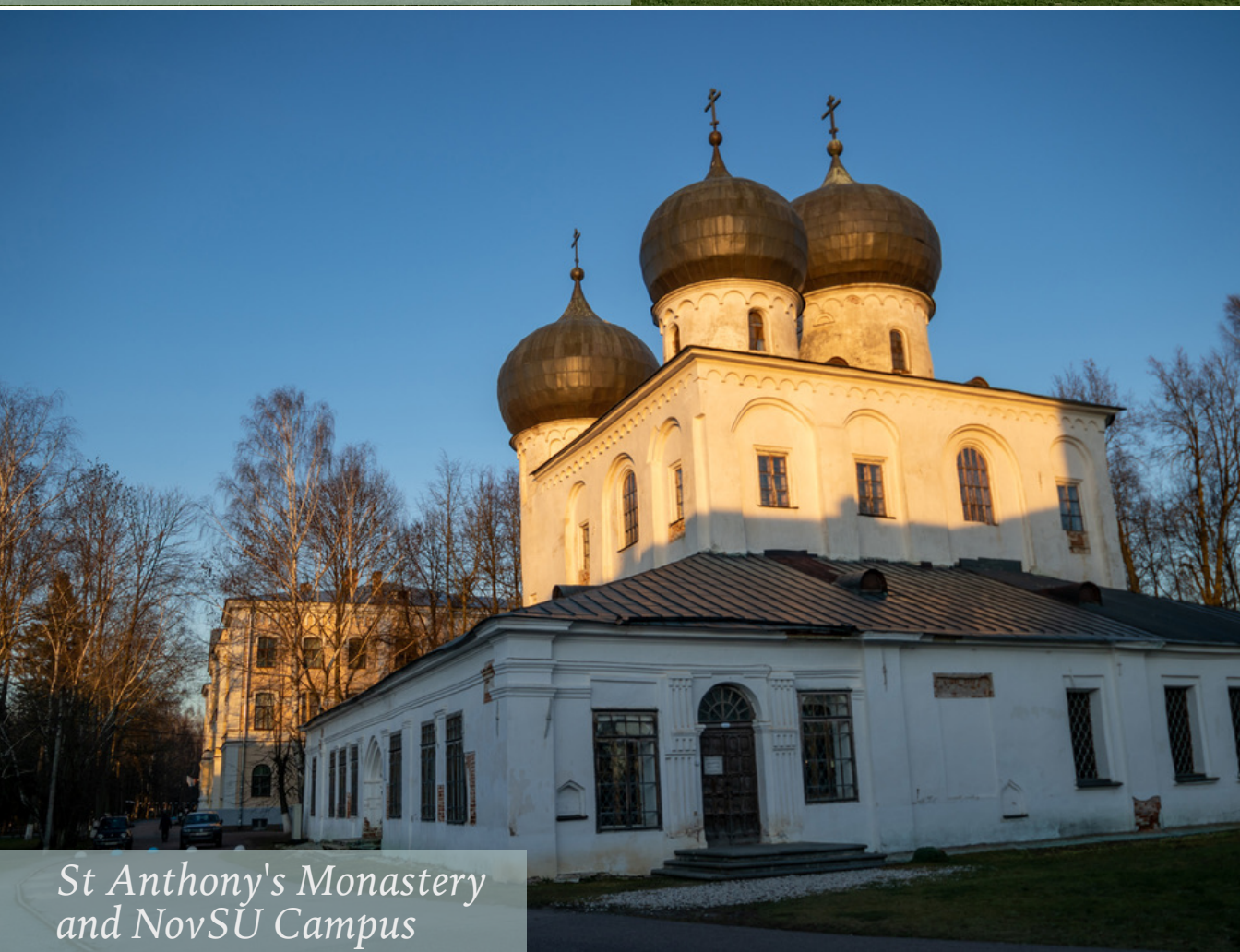


CROSS CULTURAL COLLABORATION WITH NOVGOROD AND NORTH CAROLINA: A FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR PROJECT

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*The Cathedral of St. Sophia
and the Millennium Monument*



*St Anthony's Monastery
and NovSU Campus*

BACKGROUND

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- Fulbright U.S. Scholar award project in Russia during the 2019-2020 academic year.
- Work with colleagues at Novgorod State University (NovSU) in Veliky Novgorod, on the development of a multidisciplinary Graduate Certificate Program in International Leadership.
- My course, Technology for International Collaborations, focuses on tools to facilitate global virtual teams.
- Fulbright encourages community engagement, so I developed a K-12 online project between Russia and U.S. students.



*Institute of Humanities
Novgorod State University*



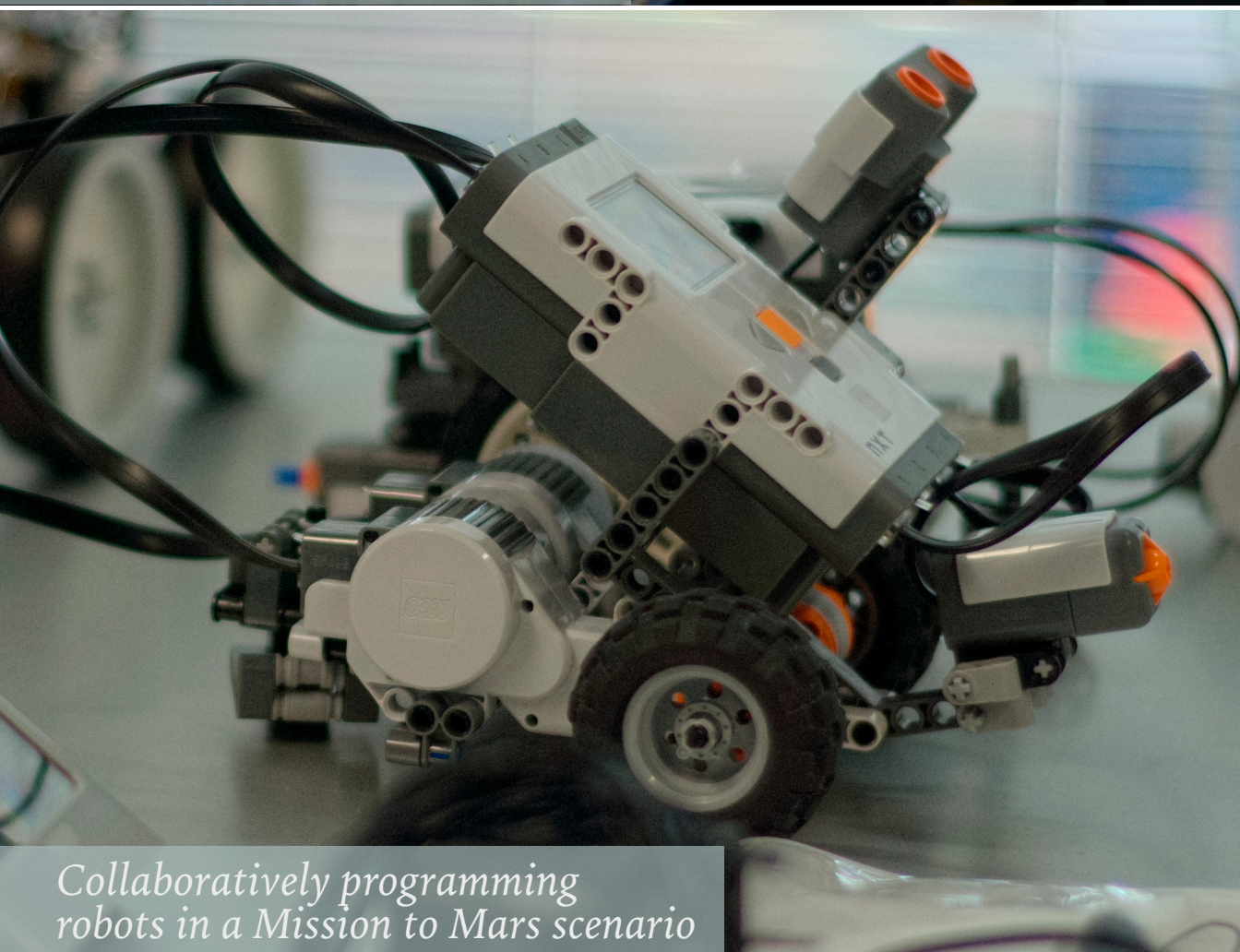
*My students at Novgorod
State University*

FULBRIGHT PROJECT STATUS

- Appalachian and NovSU developed an online Graduate Certificate Program in International Leadership.
- The goal is the development of a model that brings together international students and faculty to gain an understanding and appreciation of cultures.
- Both universities are offering course during fall 2020 semester, so students from Appalachian will work online with peers in Russia.
- Collaborations between students are completed both synchronously and asynchronously using communication technologies such as social media, collaborative documents, teleconferencing, and within 3D immersive environments.



Working with K-12 students in NC on social robotics



Collaboratively programming robots in a Mission to Mars scenario

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

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Mission to Mars: International Robotics Collaboration Between Schools in Russia and the United States

- A global virtual team project between K-12 students in Russia and the U.S.
- A shared view that international collaboration and multi-disciplinary cooperation are essential for success in 21st century education.
- Students challenged with working together to discover solutions to robotics tasks, in an international *Mission to Mars* scenario.
- Applying for external funding through the U.S. Embassy in Moscow.
- Status: One hold due to COVID and school closures.