

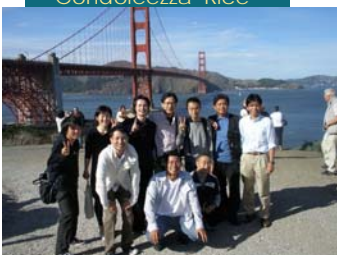
"We are not just educating them (foreign scholars) in their fields and specialties but in American values, American business styles and American culture so that when they go back home and become leaders in their societies they will have a much better understanding of America."

- Peggy Blumenthal, Executive Vice President, Institute of International Education

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An IVLP Foreign Policy Delegation meets with Condoleezza Rice



A group of JIAM participants enjoy San Francisco



Komen Global Initiative Grant Project in Ukraine present "Tell your Mother about Mammea...."



An IVLP Delegation meets with Craig Newmark of Craigslist

Happy Holidays from IIE West Coast Center

As the end of the year approaches we would like to take a moment to thank all of IIE WCC's friends and supporters. The updates in this newsletter reflect how your donations have been put to work to increase the capacity of people to think and work on a global basis and benefit this community and our neighbors around the world. Please remember us in your year end donations (now online) and help us invest in the leaders of tomorrow, today.

Give the gift of International Understanding this Holiday Season.

Surprise your friends and family this season with the gift of an IIE WCC membership. IIE membership will give them the opportunity to host distinguished leaders from all over the world, attend IIE WCC events and discussions free of charge and become connected to a community of engaged and globally minded individuals. For further information visit www.iiesf.org/new/membership or email iiesfmembership@iie.org today.

IIE West Coast Center 2009 Overview

Fulbright Scholar Enrichment Program:

IIE West Coast Center is proud to welcome the Fulbright Scholar Enrichment Program to the San Francisco Office. IIE staff will be organizing cultural and social activities that bring together Fulbright Scholars and Students including dress rehearsals for the San Francisco Opera, trips to Napa and Angel Island and academic presentations throughout the Bay Area.

International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP):

IIE WCC has welcomed over 1,000 International delegates from 140 countries this year through the San Francisco Office. With the help of IIE WCC staff and 19 volunteers who make the program possible, these delegates have benefited from professional appointments with many Bay Area companies such as Google, Youtube, Wells Fargo, PG&E, Cisco, and various local government agencies. They have also met locally with leaders such as Bill Clinton and Condoleezza Rice.

International Scholarship and Training Programs (ISTP):

IIE West Coast Center hosted 23 Japanese Municipal Officials in October for the Japan Intercultural Academy of Municipalities (JIAM) U.S. Study Tour program. The program goal was to broaden participants' understanding of the role of U.S. city agencies in engaging the non-profit sector, supporting social diversity and historic preservation in local communities. Participants traveled to San Francisco, Santa Fe, Seattle and Pittsburgh.



LDM Fellow, Dr. Tafail Muhammed, hands out supplies at IDP camps throughout Swat Valley

Leadership Development for Mobilizing Reproductive Health (LDM):

In November, representatives from LDM's focus countries along with IIE West Coast Center and IIE Ethiopia staff attended the International Leadership Association meeting in Prague, Czech Republic. The LDM team presented an interactive session entitled "Two-Way Transformation: Developing Transformative Leaders and Transforming Leadership Development Programs in Non-Western Contexts." LDM's Country Manager in Pakistan presented a compelling story of LDM Fellow Dr. Tufail Muhammed. Last July, 2 million people were displaced from their homes in the efforts to route out Taliban militants from the Swat region. Dr. Tafail quickly responded to this crisis by providing supplies and infrastructure to aid the women's reproductive health care needs in Internally Displaced Person



Foreign Fulbright Grantess at a Fulbright Seminar

Women In Technology (WIT):

To date, over 6,500 women have graduated from the WIT program throughout nine countries in the Middle East and North Africa. After completing more than 200 hours of training in basic Microsoft skills, a 1/2 day of blogging training and a 5 day leadership and professional development course, many of these graduates go on to form Professional Development Networks (PDNs) in their local communities. These networks enable the women to stay connected with other WIT graduates and to serve their communities. One PDN group in Yemen recently held a training on AIDS Awareness for over 300 students at 3 local schools.



A WIT PDN group start their own catering business in Morocco

Susan G. Komen for the Cure® Global Initiative for Breast Cancer Awareness:

Since its inception in 2007, the Komen Global Initiative has trained 700 men and women from 350 different organizations in breast cancer awareness and advocacy through the Course for the Cure™. The Komen Global Initiative works with participants from 10 countries throughout Latin America, Eastern Europe, and the Middle East. In 2009, 37 grants were awarded to graduates of the program to further breast cancer awareness and advocacy in their local communities. One grant recipient in Costa Rica provided breast health education trainings for 400 inmates and staff at Costa Rica's largest women's prison. As a result of this project, 86 women were referred for mammography screening.



IIE WCC Foreign Policy Event

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IIE WCC in the News

- IIE Research Publication: "The Value of International Education to U.S. Business and Industry Leaders"
- *Chronicle of Higher Education* highlights the Fulbright Program
- Global Komen Initiative presents *Healing and Hope: Breast Cancer Stories from the UAE*
- The Chevron International REACH Scholarship Program released its 2009 application