

International Programs Events and Activities

2005-2006

English Language Programs: Summer Language Programs Expected for May-August 2006

English Language Programs expects to hold the following programs during the summer of 2006:

- Korea National University of Education Teacher Training Institute
 - Kumamoto Gakuen University NGO Shadow Program (Japan)
 - Meisei Language and Culture Program (Japan)
- Sookmyung Women's University English Language and NGO Program (Korea)
- Toyo University Language and Culture Program (Japan)

Egyptian Education Supervisors Training Program, June 17-July 1, August 5-19, 2006

The International Programs, in collaboration with the School of Education, provided approximately 56 middle level education supervisors from Egypt with two-week opportunities to observe and study different models and practices of a decentralized standards-based supervision and appraisal system in the U.S. The project was a USAID Grant from the Academy for Educational Development (AED).

UM Delegation to Italy, June 26-July 1, 2006

Dr. Jerry Fetz, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and Dr. Mehrdad Kia, Director of the International Programs, visited several universities in Italy including Università degli Studi del Piemonte Orientale "Amedeo Avogadro", Università degli Studi di Torino, and Università degli Studi di Siena. An agreement was signed between UM and Torino during the visit. Plans for an agreement with Siena were also discussed.

UM Delegation to Tajikistan, May 26-June 9, 2006

A UM delegation including Professors Rick Graetz, Jeff Gritzner, Sarah Halvorson and Ardi Kia from the Geography Department as well as Yvonne Gritzner from the Montana Committee from the Humanities and photojournalist Susie Graetz, visited Tajikistan from May 26 to June 9. The trip included visits to UM's three partner universities: Kurghon Teppa University, State University of Kulob and Tajik State National University.

Visit by Her Excellency, Mary McAleese, President of Ireland, May 16, 2006

President McAleese visited The University of Montana on Tuesday, May 16. During her visit she helped launch UM's new Irish Studies Program. She gave a public address at 2:30 PM in the University Theater.

The Fourth Annual Central Asia Conference: A Policy Dialogue, April 20-22, 2006

From April 20 to 22 UM hosted the fourth annual international conference on Central and Southwest Asia. View [schedule](#).

New Partnership with Seijo University, Tokyo, Japan, April 2006

An Exchange Agreement with Seijo University was signed in April 2006.

New Partnership with Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University, Beppu, Japan, April 2006

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International Brown Bag Lecture Series, February - April 2006

Presentations given twice a month by faculty on international topics and projects. View [schedule](#). All presentations are in the Mansfield Center seminar room and are free and open to the public.

Pre-departure Orientation for Study Abroad Students, April 2006

A workshop held twice annually to prepare students who will be studying abroad on UM's study abroad programs. Topics covered include: health and safety, visa issues, credit transfer, and cultural adjustment. The workshop is organized and led by Marja Unkuri-Chaudhry.

Visit by Dr. Jan Jirak, Vice Dean, Department of Social Sciences, and Professor of Journalism, and Dr. Lenka Slavikova, Head, Educational Management Center, Charles University, Prague, Czech Republic, April 2006

Visit by Dr. Kirk Masden, Head, Department of International Economics, Kumamoto Gakuen University, March 2006

Relationship Established with Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina, Lima, Peru, March 2006

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed with Universidad Agraria La Molina in March 2006.

Kyrgyz Legal Training: Osh State University, March-May 2006

Two Osh State Faculty visited UM for training at the UM Law School.

UM Delegation to Italy, March 2006

Professor Ed Rosenberg and Professor Richard Drake visited University of Torino, University Amedeo Avogadro and University of Sienna.

International Week 2006, March 12-17, 2006

International Week was held from March 12-17. View [schedule of events](#).

UM Delegation to New Zealand, February 2006

A delegation lead by President George Dennison visited Victoria University of Wellington and Massey University in Palmerston North.

Spring 2006 Study Abroad Fair, February 2006

UM's Spring 2006 Study Abroad Fair was held in the UC Atrium from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm on Wednesday, February 1.

Azerbaijani Educators Training Program, January-May 2006

The International Programs and the School of Education ran a training program for 6 Azerbaijanis from the Ministry of Education.

Visit by Dr. Miroslav Polasek, Vice-Dean of International Activities, School of Pharmacy, Charles University, Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic, January 2006

Relationship Established with Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand, January 2006

An Exchange Agreement was signed between UM and Victoria University of Wellington in January 2006.

Record Number of International Students Enroll at The English Language Institute, January 2006

As of January 26, 2006, there were 45 Saudi students enrolled at ELI. In addition, ELI's student population for Spring 2006 semester included students from Kazakhstan here on the Bolashak program, students from Andong National University here on a short-term program as well as students from Japan, Denmark, Malaysia, Uzbekistan, and Tajikistan.

IP Holiday Reception

The International Programs held its annual holiday reception on Tuesday, December 6, 2005 from 3:00-5:00 pm at the International Center.

Visit by Professor Sato from Kumamoto Gakuen University, Japan, December 2005

Professor Sato, Chair of the International Exchange Program Committee, visited UM December 5th - 7th.

Visit by the Minister of Education from the Kyrgyz Republic, November 2005

His Excellency Dr. Nur Uulu Dosbol, Kyrgyzstan's Minister of Education, and Dr. Camilla Sharshekeeva, a former Minister of Education visited UM November 11th - 20th.

Visitors from Seijo University in Tokyo, Japan, November 2005

Professor Tajima, Chair of the International Exchange Committee, Mr. Usuku, Director of the International Exchange Office and Mr. Nagahara, Travel Agency Tour Conductor, visited UM on November 16th and 17th.

International Brown Bag Lecture Series, September - November 2005

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International Education Week at UM, November 14-18, 2005

A week of lectures, films, presentations and performances held annually. View [Schedule of Events](#).

International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) All Member Symposium, Milan, Italy, October 2005

Marja Unkuri-Chaudhry, Assistant Director for Study Abroad, represented UM at the Council of Advisors meeting and at the symposium.

UM Delegation to Charles University, Czech Republic, October 2005

A delegation led by Dean Dave Forbes and Dean Sharon Alexander visited Charles University in Prague to explore areas of collaboration.

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Visitors from Mukogawa Women's University in Nishinomiya, Japan, October 2005

Mr. Fumihiko Mori, Coordinator in the International Exchange Office and Mr. Yasuo Hayashi, Chief Manager of the International Exchange Office visited UM on October 4th and 5th.

Visitor from Aoyama Gakuin University in Tokyo, Japan, September 2005

Professor David Reedy from Aoyama Gakuin University will visit UM on September 16 to meet with IP staff and the Japanese section.

Visitor from American Universities International Programs (AUIP), September 2005

Professor Michael Tarrant visited UM to discuss the implementation of a faculty-directed study abroad program in New Zealand during winter session 2006 to be led by Prof. Bill Borrie, College of Forestry and Conservation.

Guest Speaker, September 2005

Swami Bodhananda gave a talk entitled *Understanding Hinduism* on September 6 at 4:00 pm in the Dell Brown Room in Turner Hall. The event was free and open to the public.

Lecture and Presentation, September 2005

Visit by Mr. Karma Tensum, Executive Director of the Tibetan Children's Education Foundation, and three Tibetan Thangka painters. A lecture was given at noon and a presentation was made in the UC South Atrium at 4:00 pm.

Study Abroad Fair, September 2005

An event held twice annually in the UC atrium for students to get information about study abroad opportunities offered at UM.

Re-Entry Meeting, September 2005

An event held for all returned study abroad students to share their experiences with other

students who have been abroad, get support in difficulties with re-adjusting to life in the U.S., and learn about how they can put their overseas experience to work.

American Studies Training, Fall 2005

Training of two Georgian Scholars from Tbilisi Institute of Asia & Africa and Kutaisi State University sponsored by a U.S. Department of State Freedom Support Grant.

Open Society Institute Students, August 2005

Three students, sponsored by the Open Society Institute (OSI), will study at UM for the 2005-2006 academic year. The students are from Moldova, Romania and Serbia.