

INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY NEWSLETTER

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FOR FACULTY

- **Faculty/Administrative International Development Fund** - Casper College is committed to internationalizing its curriculum and enhancing its globalization efforts by expanding opportunities for travel abroad. Therefore, Dr. Nolte has announced the availability of two innovative grants to be used for: 1) Organizing, marketing, and leading students on a trip abroad; 2) Participating in international workshops, seminars or institutes that are directly related to the faculty or administrator's duties and responsibilities and that will help promote global awareness at CC; 3) Teaching or facilitating classes at higher education institutions abroad. (For example, teaching a short course or delivering a series of guest lectures at one of CC's sister colleges in Brazil, Germany, Australia, Romania, Guatemala, Mexico, Poland, or Thailand etc.); or 4) Conducting collaborative research abroad or providing technical assistance that will help internationalize the curricula at Casper College.
 - **Terms:** The maximum individual grant award is \$2500. The grant is available to a fulltime faculty member with regular (tenured and tenure-track) appointment and/or to a fulltime professional/administrative staff member. At least 9 consecutive days, which will not conflict with the applicant's duties and responsibilities at Casper College, must be spent traveling overseas. Preference will be given to an individual who has not previously received support by the college for activities that involved overseas travel. Contact Dr. Barbara Mueller, International Education Director for an application.
 - **Deadline:** December 2, 2011.

- **Casper College International Education Presentations:**
 - On Monday, Sept. 26, at noon at the Center for Excellence (BU 126) Debra Swedberg (Math) and Renee Griffith (Education) will make a special Brown Bag presentation entitled '**Teaching in Germany – Wunderbar!**' These two CC faculty members taught for three weeks this past summer at the Ludwigsburg University of Education in Germany (CC sister college.) In this PowerPoint presentation, they will share information about their teaching experiences abroad, the interest of the students and faculty, the hospitality of their host institution, as well as local sightseeing opportunities. (Please note the Professor Dr. Kerstin Merz-Atalik, from the Chancellor's Office at Ludwigsburg University will be visiting Casper College Oct. 3-5 in anticipation of inviting two more CC faculty members to teach at Ludwigsburg next summer. This talk will be particularly useful to interested faculty.)

- Dr. Kerstin Merz-Atalik, from the Chancellor's office at Ludwigsburg University of Education in Ludwigsburg, Germany (CC sister college) will present a program about **"The German Educational System"** on Tuesday, Oct 4 from 2 to 3:30 at the Center for Excellence, in BU 126. The formal program will be followed by light refreshments and an opportunity to meet with Dr. Merz-Atalik.
 - **Teaching in Germany Details:** The Ludwigsburg School of Pedagogy would like to invite two CC faculty members to teach 3-4 weeks during the summer (or in the fall, perhaps as a sabbatical project) in almost any discipline. The University will provide a stipend of about 950 Euros for one faculty member and free accommodations for both teachers. (Dr. Nolte has generously offered to provide a matching travel stipend for the second faculty member.) If you are interested, you are encouraged to meet Dr. Merz-Atalik after her presentation and provide her with a short, one-page summary of your degrees, experience, a statement of what and why you would like to teach at Ludwigsburg University, as well as contact information. If you are unable to attend the presentation, but would still like to be considered for a short-term teaching position at the University for the summer of 2012, please send the required information by Oct. 3 to Dr. Barbara Mueller, CC Intl. Education Director, 268-2517.

- **Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program** has announced the Summer 2012 Seminars for Postsecondary School Educators. The programs offered include China (for four weeks in late June, 2012) and Oman & UAE (May 22-June 22, 2012). The award includes round-trip economy airfare, room and board, and program related travel within the host country including visiting historical and contemporary sights. A cost-share of \$450 is required.
 - Application deadline is October 25, 2011. Apply on-line at www.g5.gov

- **DAAD (German Exchange Service)** offers financial support for educational visits to Germany which are organized by faculty members for groups of 10-15 students for 7-12 days. (No programs should be planned for July/August when no classes are held on German campuses.) Information at www.daad.org or write kim@daad.org with Group Study Visit questions.
 - Application deadlines: Nov. 1, Feb. 1 and May 1 depending on the proposed trip date. (Dr. Dines, Director for International Education at Ludwigsburg University, CC's sister college in Germany, has agreed to write a letter of invitation as required by the Daad application.)

- **Madison Area Technical College** is looking for a cohort of eight faculty members to participate in a 10-day service-learning project in **Costa Rica** (Jan. 3-13, 2012) focusing on Renewable Energy for International Development. All costs of travel, meals (primarily vegetarian) and lodging (rustic) will be provided. In addition, faculty will be asked to participate in an all-expense paid, three-day workshop in Madison in the spring which will focus on developing a new study abroad program, primarily in Central America or the Caribbean. Participants will be given a stipend of \$1,000 for the development of the required new study abroad course curriculum. Target areas include engineering, renewable energy, sustainable development, technical education and related fields. (Supporting courses such as Spanish for Engineering or Sociology of Sustainable Development will also be considered.)
 - Deadline: Oct. 15, 2011.
 - For information: www.MadisonCollege.org/International

- **Community Colleges for International Development (CCID)** has announced several Troika Model study abroad programs that are in need of faculty champions. Faculty members are given professional development education and the opportunity to work with faculty from other colleges to lead 10-14 day fieldtrips which bear academic credits. The faculty member must be committed to developing a credit course linked to the program for which they are to be paid by their home institution. It is also the faculty member's responsibility to recruit a minimum of four (4) students for each Troika program and to provide each student with a \$750 (minimum) scholarship. Travel expenses for faculty, when they are not the group leader, are to be provided by their home institution while lead faculty costs are covered by the Troika program.
 - Programs that are actively recruiting faculty participants include:
 - Renewable Energy Policy and Practice in (Denmark) to be offered spring 2013.
 - Trans-cultural Nursing in Ecuador (Program has been offered for past 7 years.)
 - Global Perspectives in Event Management (Denmark)
 - China's Globalization Impact
 - Engineering Program in Europe (Germany, France) A new program
 - For additional information, contact Andrea Sibenmann at <mailto:asieben@kirkwood.edu>

- **United States Institute of Peace** has announced its 2011 Annual Grant Competition to support peace building projects around the world. Awards are offered in a broad range of disciplines and a variety of approaches are welcomed. These competitive awards generally range from \$50,000 to \$120,000.
 - Deadline: Oct. 3, 2011.
 - Additional information at www.usip.org/grants-fellowships/annual-grant-competition

- **NEA Foundation Learning and Leadership Grants** to individuals (\$2,000) fund participation in high-quality professional development experiences, such as summer institutes or action research. Group funds (\$5,000) support collegial study, including study groups, action research, lesson study, or mentoring experiences for faculty or staff new to an assignment. Grant funds may be used for fees, travel expenses, books, or other materials that enable applicants to learn subject matter, instructional approaches, and skills. Recipients are required to exercise professional leadership by sharing their new learning with their colleagues.
 - Deadline is October 15, 2011.
 - Info: www.neafoundation.org/pages/educators/grant-programs/learning-and-leadership/

- The **Institute for International Business** at the University of Colorado in Denver is sponsoring its ninth China faculty development trip in international business program entitled "China: A New Phase in Economic growth and Development" It will be held January 1-11, 2012 in Shanghai, Hangzhou and Chengdu. This ten day program will focus on new deployments in China's Five Year Plan which was approved March 14, 2011 by the PRC National People's Congress. The participant cost of the program is \$2900 based on double occupancy. in addition to airfare to and from Asia.
 - The deadline for registration is Friday, October 14, 2011.
 - Contact University of Colorado IIB office for additional information 303-315-3710.

- **Fulbright Shuman Program** focuses on research and/or post-graduate study on EU affairs or U.S.-EU relations. Seventeen awards will be given for an average duration of 4 months for study, research, and lecturing abroad. A doctorate is not required.
 - Deadline late October depending on degree.
 - Further information at www.fulbrightschuman.edu.
- **The Rome Prize.** The American Academy in Rome will offer up to 30 fellowships for periods ranging from six months to two years for independent study and advanced research in the arts and the humanities. Rome Prize winners reside at the Academy's eleven acre center in Rome and receive free room and board, a study or studio, and a stipend (six month fellowships are \$13,000.)
 - Deadline Nov. 1, 2011.
 - Contact: info@aarome.org (212)751-7200.

FOR ADMINISTRATORS

- **Fulbright Hays** has announced a summer seminar for Presidents and Vice Presidents to strengthen relationships between Indian and American colleges. Participants will visit universities and colleges in New Delhi and two other major cities to be determined.
 - Deadline: Oct. 25, 2011.
 - See: <http://ed.gov/programs/iegpssap/provostseminars.html>
- **US-India Institutional Partnership Grants** competition will fund projects that strengthen collaboration and build partnerships between American and Indian institutions of higher education. Proposals are sought in the areas of: Agriculture Sciences and Food Security, Energy, Sustainable Development, Climate Change, Environmental Studies, Education and Educational Reform, Public Health, and Community Development and Innovation.
 - Deadline: Nov. 1, 2011
 - See: www.usief.org.in/uploads/Obama-Singh%20RFP.pdf

FOR STUDENTS

- **Gilman International Scholarship Program**, sponsored by the U.S. Department of State, will offer 2,300 scholarships this year for undergraduate students who wish to study abroad for academic credit for no less than 4 weeks and no more than one academic year. (The student must be receiving a federal Pell Grant at the time of application or during the term of study abroad).
 - Deadline Oct. 4, 2011 for spring 2012.
 - Information at www.ije.org/gilman
- **The Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange (CBYX) for Young Professionals** is a full-year study fellowship. The program begins in July and includes two months of intensive German language training in Germany (*no prior German language knowledge required*), four months of classroom instruction at a German university or college of applied sciences, and a five-month internship in each participant's career field. The program is intended primarily for 75 young adults in business, vocational, scientific, engineering, and technical and agriculture fields, although applicants from all fields are encouraged to apply.
 - Deadline; December 1, 2011 for 2012-2013 program year.
 - Information at cbyx@cdsintl.org or +1 212.497.3522.

- **The Baden-Wurttemberg Stipendium Work Immersion Study Program (WISP)** is currently accepting applications from students enrolled at US community colleges who are interested in spending next summer interning in Germany from June through August 2012. Participants receive one month of intensive German language training and then complete a two month internship in their career field with a German company in the state of Baden Wurttemberg. WISP provides airfare and program related travel in Germany, a monthly 300 euro stipend, housing and insurance. Applicants (ages 18-27) must be enrolled in an associate degree program at the time of application and have taken at least one semester of German by the start of the program.
 - Deadline Dec. 1, 2011
 - Information at: www.aatg.org/media/WISP.pdf

- **The Institute of International (IIE)** is recruiting for “Teach and Learn in Korea” (TaLK) program which is a study abroad opportunity for both undergraduate students and recent college graduates to teach conversational English in rural Korean elementary schools. The program provides a 1 month orientation and round trip airfare, settling in allowance, a monthly living stipend of approximately \$1,300, and organized trips to historical locations in Korea.
 - Deadline December, 2011.
 - Information at: www.talk.go.kr

- **Turkish Coalition of America (TCA) Study Abroad Scholarship Program for Minority Students** awards scholarships from \$500 to \$2000 to undergraduate African American, Hispanic/Latino or Native Americans students for study abroad in Turkey, the Turkish Republic of Northern Cypress, or Bosnia Herzegovina.
 - Information at: www.turkishcoalition.org/scholarship/minority.html#about

Did you know?

In order to deal with drunk and unruly passengers, Hong Kong Airline has made kung fu lessons compulsory for all its cabin crew.