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New Partners

The Office of Global Partnerships (previously known as the Office of Global Relations), under the leadership of Irwin R. Isquith, has been very busy this semester working with FDU's academic departments in the formation of agreements with several schools.

Working with Dr. Naadimuthu (COBA), an agreement was established with the Institute of Management Technology in Ghaziabad, India, which is a very prestigious school of business. When the Agreement was signed in October 2002, a plan was established to bring a 25 student cohort here in the spring 2004 semester and each spring thereafter for one semester to complete a joint global MBA program. Dr. Naadimuthu and the administration of IMT are so optimistic about the program that the protocol is being revised to bring 25 students here each spring and an additional 25 students each fall.

As is the case with all international programs, there is concern about students being able to obtain visas. One of the major reasons for a student failing to get a visa is not displaying a compelling reason to return home. This program has been structured in such a way that the students will need to return to India to obtain their degrees. When the curriculum was shown at the American Consulate in Ghaziabad, the officer indicated that "it would be a slam-dunk" for the students to get visas.

An undergraduate student exchange program was established with the International University of Monaco

and COBA; this time with Dr. Ron Heim as the key person. The first agreement that was signed allows students to earn some of their undergraduate business credits at the partner institution. IUM students come from numerous different countries, mainly European, and most of them (about 80%) choose to earn some of their credits abroad. Additional agreements are being formulated for an undergraduate business degree completion program, joint MBA, and possibly joint programs in Hotel, Restaurant, and Tourism Management and Cosmetic Science.

For several years, FDU has had a partnership with the Izmir Institute of Advanced Education, in Izmir, Turkey, dealing with undergraduate business programs, with Prof. Albert Schielke as key contact person. For a complex set of reasons, mainly involving internal Turkish politics, the number of students coming to FDU through this agreement had dwindled. In consultation with IIAE, a new strategy was developed, which may significantly increase the number of their students coming here. Some of the areas of study, in which they have expressed interest, are computer science, information technology, tourism, electrical engineering, communications, and engineering technology.

Additional schools in which development talks (some more preliminary than others) are currently underway are located in Spain, China, Korea, Dominican Republic, Thailand, Germany, and France. It is this office's goal to bring a balanced representation of students from around the world to Fairleigh Dickinson University and to have them represent a broad spectrum of areas of study.

Global Competencies Conference

Fairleigh Dickinson University, in collaboration with the American Council on Education, will host a two day regional conference on the 4th and 5th of April, 2003 focusing on Developing Global Competencies in Higher Education. The conference will feature a number of panelists from colleges and universities partnering in the Internationalization Collaborative through the American Council on Education. Strategies for engaging faculty in setting new objectives, using the co-curriculum to support



Ambassador's Club at FDU

Spring 2003 UN Pathway Lecture Series

Metropolitan Campus

Wednesday, February 12, 2003 6:30 p.m.

Muscarelle Auditorium

Topic: Afghanistan - Reconstruction and Revival

Speaker: Ambassador Ravan Farhadi of Afghanistan

College at Florham

March 12, 2003

Orangerie, Library

Topic: The Middle East in Transition

Speaker: Ambassador Mohammed Abulhasan of Kuwait

Video Conference

Thursday, March 13, 2003 10:00 a.m.

ITV Madison/Teaneck/Rider University/United Nations

Topic: TBA

Participants: TBA

Metropolitan Campus

Wednesday, March 26, 2003 6:30 p.m.

Muscarelle Auditorium

Topic: Germany and the European Expansion

Speaker: Ambassador Gunter Pleuger of Germany

College at Florham

Wednesday, April 2, 2003 7:00 p.m.

Lenfell Hall

Topic: South East Asia – Problems and Prospects

Speaker: Ambassador Kishore Mahbubani of Singapore

Video Conference

Thursday, April 10, 2003 10:00 a.m.

ITV Madison/Teaneck/Rider University/United Nations

Topic: TBA

Participants: TBA

UN Pathways Lecture Series Request Form

Name: _____ Department: _____

Mail code: _____ E-mail: _____

I will use the material for (Check all that apply):

- Classroom Presentations Research Personal Interest
 Other (please specify) _____

Check the appropriate box(es).

Spring 2002

- United Nations in the 21st Century CD VHS
Ambassador Ahmad Kamal, Pakistan
- Religious Fundamentalism and Terrorism (Video Conference) CD VHS
Ambassador Ahmed Aboul Gheit, Egypt
Ambassador Hyanek Kmonicek, Czech Republic
- Spain in Europe and in the United Nations CD VHS
Ambassador Innocencio Arias of Spain
- India in the World CD VHS
Ambassador Kamalesh Sharma, India
- Potential Conflicts in the World (Video Conference) CD VHS
Ambassador Peter Chkheidze, Georgia
Ambassador Semakula Kiwanuka, Uganda
Ambassador Widodo, Indonesia
- Japan in the United Nations CD VHS
Ambassador Yukio Satoh, Japan
- The Mediterranean: The Art of the Impossible? CD VHS
President Guido de Marco, Malta

Fall 2002

- Terrorism CD VHS
H.R.H. Prince Zeid Raad Al Zeid Hussein, Jordan
- Financial Crisis in Latin America CD VHS
Ambassador Arnaldo Listre, Argetina
- US Position on ICC and Peacekeeping (Video Conference) CD VHS
Mr. Charles Rostow, Minister Councillor, US Mission to the UN - Legal Division
Mr. William Page, Executive Director, World Federalist Movement
- Nuclear Proliferation and International Law CD VHS
Ambassador James MacKay, New Zealand
- Global Citizenship and National Security (Video Conference) CD VHS
H.E. Ambassador Inocencio Arias, Permanent Mission of Spain
Mr. Edward Mortimer, Chief Speechwriter to the Secretary General
- Women's Rights CD VHS
Ms. Noeleen Heyser, Director of UNIFEM (UN Development Fund for Women)

Please fax all forms to (201) 692-7273 or mail to H-DH2-15.

UN Pathway Lecture Series Request Forms will soon be available online at www.globaleducation.edu

global learning in the curriculum and role of technology in creating global competencies are some of the panels at the conference. The two day conference will provide plenty of opportunities for FDU faculty and staff to interact with colleagues from institutions dedicated to internationalization of the curriculum and global education. In addition to four plenary sessions, there are several break out sessions led by content area experts and designed as a continuation of the plenary discussions.

The first plenary, focusing on global competencies in defining new skills will be moderated by Dr. Scott Sernau, University of Indiana, author of *Bound: Living in the Globalized World and Worlds Apart*. Madeline Green, Vice President for International Initiatives, American Council on Education will follow with a plenary session focusing on strategies in transforming a college environment. Fairleigh Dickinson University faculty will take the lead in a plenary session aimed at exploring the role of technology in creating global competencies and finally, our Global Virtual Faculty will discuss global education efforts in their respective countries.

In addition to the regional conference, a number of Global Virtual Faculty members will participate in a series of meetings and discussions around the role of the GVF in global education through distance learning at FDU. These pre conference sessions will take place at both campuses on April 2nd and 3rd, preceding the regional conference.

The complete program and conference overview as well as the registration form are posted on www.globaleducation.edu website. There is no fee for FDU faculty members who wish to attend the regional conference, and we hope many will join us.

GVF – A Program Still Rising

The Global Virtual Faculty (GVF) is a unique program in higher education, and Fairleigh Dickinson University takes great pride in it. The program enables professionals and scholars from around the world to partner with Fairleigh Dickinson University's faculty, and link on-line with our students, bringing a global dimension to the learning experience. We are once again proud to welcome three recent additions to our academic community.

The recent additions to our GVF roster include:

Israel

Dr. Shlomo Ariel

*Psychology, The Integrative Psychotherapy Center
and the Israeli Play therapy Institute – Ramat, Gan,
Israel*

United Kingdom

Dr. Ann Cattanach, Psychology

*Free-lance Consultant in Play Therapy and
Dramatherapy; Honorary Visiting Fellow, Department
of Social Policy and Social Work, The University of
York*

**Dr. Ariel and Dr. Cattanach will be working with Dr. Charles Schaefer in his Play Therapy course.*

The interchange between GVF and core faculty throughout the semester has been a truly stimulating experience. Nominations come largely from faculty networks, and we ask of all faculty, and staff where relevant, to consider nominating a colleague. Nomination forms, as well as additional information on the program, can be found on-line at www.globaleducation.edu.

UN Lecture Tapes/CDs Available

Starting in Spring 2003, faculty and staff can request VHS tapes and/or CDs of taped United Nations Ambassadors' lectures. To order taped materials from previous semesters, see the insert in this issue. To request tapes and/or CDs of upcoming lectures go to www.globaleducation.edu.

Global Leadership Seminars Return

With the start of the semester commencing, planning for our Spring 2003 Global Leadership Seminars has begun, with our first seminar happening in February. These luncheon faculty meetings have been an opportunity for collegial dialogue on global issues and relevant pedagogies, featuring speakers who come to us through our association with the United Nations. We are open to any ideas for topics and/or contacts with potential speakers. All faculty will be invited to these events on a random basis, but if you would like to be early on the list, just phone the Global Learning Office (x7360).

****A Very Special Thanks****



On behalf of the Offices of Interdisciplinary, Distributed and Global Learning and Global Partnerships, we would like to extend a sincere thanks to the Fairleigh Dickinson University community for their support, efforts and participation with the United Nations Pathway Lecture Series, as well as, our newly featured Global Leadership Seminar Series.