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Faculty International Activity Report

College of Arts & Sciences

Dr. **Courtney Sullivan** (Modern Languages) won a Sweet Sabbatical and travelled to Saint-Martin and St. Barthélemy at the end of June where she visited important historical sites and filmed various locals with a flip video camera in order to show the students back at WU what the islands—including forts, cathedrals, museums, and restaurants—look like. She travelled to Paris, France, the second week of July to do research at the Bibliothèque Nationale de France in order to revise an article that was just accepted for publication (forthcoming in December) in *Women in French Studies*. She spent the last two weeks in Montpellier, France, where she completed a two-week teacher training workshop for non-native speakers who teach French as a Foreign Language.

Dr. **Bob Beatty** (Political Science) received a Sweet Sabbatical to enhance his teaching on Asian governments and politics. He traveled to Japan, Hong Kong, China, and South Korea for 60 days to learn more about the current political, social, and environmental issues that these countries are experiencing.

Dr. **Xiaoli (Shiao-Li) Ding** (Department of Music) traveled to Buenos Aires in June, 2013, to present a paper “The Earliest Keyboard Instruments in China” at the *College Music Society International Conference*. While in Buenos Aires, she participated in Tango and Argentine traditional musical instrument making workshops hosted by the conference. Previous to her paper presentation, she did research work in Beijing and interviewed the curator of the Forbidden City Museum Collection of Musical Instruments regarding the collection of Western musical instruments in the Forbidden City Museum. Dr. Ding spent the last part of her Sweet Summer Sabbatical, just in time for Ramadan, in Istanbul, Turkey, where she observed many varieties of musical performance

including Sema performed by the Mevlevi, Ottoman classical music, music for religious ceremony, Ottoman Military Band, Turkish popular music, and Western classical music.

Dr. Tom Prasch (History) used his Sweet Sabbatical, to do presentations at three international conferences. First, he attended the *Mediterranean Studies Conference* in Terceira, Azores and presented a paper on Victorian photographer John Thomson's Cyprus expedition. This conference has become a regular destination for scholars from Turkey. Prasch was especially enriched by getting Turkish insights into Ottoman and Byzantine history. Secondly, he attended the *Melancholia: Imaging the End of the World Conference* in Marburg, Germany, where he presented a paper on the British nuclear-holocaust farce "Bed-Sitting Room" (Dir. Richard Lester, 1969). This conference attracted a large contingent of British scholars, especially a group working in the Stanley Kubrick archives in London, and a significant number of Eastern European film historians looking at works that had gotten much less attention in the US. Third, Prasch attended the *On Liberties Conference* at the Gladstone Library, in Hawarden, Wales, where he presented a paper on the impact of Indian colonialism (and the dissolution of the East India Company) on J. S. Mill's thought in the liberal classic “On Liberty”. The library itself was the real find at this conference: founded on Prime Minister Gladstone's own personal library, volumes of which have now been re-segregated. Prasch spent some of his time browsing Gladstone's personal marginalia in his copies of “Homer”. On the more strictly academic side of things, Prasch also spent some of his time in London at the National Library, continuing work on Henry Mayhew (since they are one of the few places that has the weekly-installment version of Mayhew's “London Labour” and the “London Poor”).

On top of that, Prasch toured two of the islands of the Azores system, and was struck how the Azorean story (firmly established as Portuguese territory in 1439) forces a revision of our thinking on the Atlantic “age of discovery.” He visited Lille, France, with its rich museum and baroque fortress ruins. In Lon-

don, he also spent time in several museums and caught a few plays including "Spamalot". He stopped in Wells, England (spectacular scissors-arch cathedral and painted-ceiling-that-survived-the-Reformation parish church, plus day trips to "Arthurian" territory in Glastonbury and Austen territory in Bath), toured through Wales (Aberystwyth, Llandudno, Cardiff; museums, castles, seashores), and finally stopped in lovely Chester (Roman ruins, the once-every-five-years medieval Mystery Play in the cathedral and Shakespeare in the park).

School of Law

Professor Linda Elrod, Richard S. Righter Distinguished Professor of Law and Director of the Children and Family Center, participated in three international conferences. She spoke at the *Sixth World Congress on Children and Families* in Sydney, Australia, March 16-20, 2013. She moderated the panel and spoke on "International Enforcement of Financial Obligations" with Ian Kennedy, Past President of the International Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers



Photo Above: Linda Elrod and Prof. Sandra Ferreira of University of South Africa touring the Sydney Opera House with the Sydney Harbor Bridge in the background.

The University of Auckland in New Zealand hosted a Colloquium entitled *Listening to Children's Voices* to mark the 20th anniversary of Aotearoa/New Zealand's ratification of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Linda was one of only eighteen invited academics and children's lawyers from around the world. She spoke on "The Importance

of Hearing the Voice of the Child" at the Colloquium on March 25th.



A wonderful byproduct of being an invitee to New Zealand was the opportunity to renew a friendship with an Irish "girl" she met in 1967 at the Cours des vacance in Dijon, France, following her Washburn Semester in Copenhagen. Audrey Lang White lives in New Zealand.

The Second International Family Law and Practice Conference: Parentage, Equality and Gender was held at London Metropolitan University, July 3-5 in London, England. Linda was invited to be the moderator for a plenary session on July 4, 2013. The speakers were the Honorable Chief Justice Diana Bryant, Australian Family Court; Professor Elizabeth Cooke, University of Reading and a Law Commissioner; Professor Julia Sloth Nielsen, University of



Photo above: Linda in London. Tower Bridge is seen in the background.

Western Cape, South Africa and Helen Kruuse, Faculty, Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa. In addition to the excellent programs, two receptions were held at Barristers' Chambers on Bedford Row, a dinner at the House of Lords, and a Reception at Inner Temple Gardens.

Professor Alex Glashausser spent the summer in Tokyo as a Visiting Scholar at Waseda Law School. He delivered a public lecture, "Human Rights, Jurisdictional Wrongs: The Misconstrued Alien Tort Statute," sponsored by the Waseda University Institute of Comparative Law. His article based on that lecture will be translated into Japanese and published in Waseda's *Comparative Law Journal*. Earlier in the summer, also in Tokyo, he lectured at the Chuo University Comparative Law Institute on the topic of "International Torts, Extraterritorial Distortion." His article based on that lec

ture will be published, in Japanese, in Chuo's *Comparative Law Review*. In addition, Chuo will publish another article by Professor Glashauser, "Judicial Supremacy Under the U.S. Constitution: A Historical Challenge to the Orthodox View of Congressional Power" (also in Japanese), in the *Chuo Law Journal*.

In teaching secured transactions to over 40 practicing lawyers and law students drawn from various laws schools of Georgia, Professor **Ali Khan** shared an intensive 40-hour seminar with Georgian instructors. Professor Khan introduced the American law of lending against personal property. While lending against real property is well-established in Georgia, local credit markets have yet to develop the legal framework to expand the notion of lending against tangible and intangible personal property, including goods, payment rights, and intellectual property. Professor Khan discussed the U.S. system of recording secured transactions in state public records and the participants compared the Georgian registry with the U.S. recording system.

Prof. **Craig Martin** was a visiting professor at Osaka University Graduate School of Law and Politics for four weeks summer, during which he taught a course entitled "An Introduction to Anglo-American Constitutional Law", and conducted research on aspects of the war renouncing provision in the Constitution of Japan. As part of his research he met in Tokyo with a member of the House of Councilors in the Diet and senior lawyers of the Cabinet Legislation Bureau, in order to discuss official interpretations of the provision, and with professors at the National Defense Academy to discuss the effect of the provision on national defense policy. Prof. Martin made a seminar presentation to the faculty of the Graduate School of Law Politics on how and why the war-renouncing provision might be amended.

The purpose of Professor **Janet Jackson's** sabbatical project was to assist the law faculty at Free University (FreeUni) in Tbilisi, Georgia in developing its Business Law Clinic, which opened in October 2012. The FreeUni Business Clinic was modeled

after the Small Business and Nonprofit Transactional Law Clinic (Transactional Clinic), which Professor Jackson operates at the Washburn Law Clinic. The Washburn and FreeUni clinics are live-client clinics, wherein students work under the supervision of a licensed attorney/professor to provide business and legal representation to for-profit business owners and nonprofits in the local community.

Prior to arriving in Tbilisi, Professor Jackson collaborated with FreeUni faculty via email and Skype to lay the groundwork for her visit. Based on FreeUni's needs and expectations, Professor Jackson prepared workshop presentations to assist them in the further development of their program. When she arrived in May she was pleased to see FreeUni's clinical program in action and that the model was translating well in meeting the needs of students, the law program, and the Tbilisi community. The workshops Professor Jackson conducted helped to problem-solve some of the challenges the FreeUni clinical program is currently facing and to chart next steps for the FreeUni clinic generally, and the FreeUni Business Clinic in particular. The FreeUni clinical faculty/administration and Professor Jackson plan to continue working together over the coming year to further develop the clinical program.

Also during her visit Professor Jackson participated in two conferences involving Washburn Law faculty, the Teaching and Learning Conference and the Commercial Law Symposium, at which she conducted a workshop on Interviewing Skills.

Professor Tonya Kowalski (Scholar-in-Residence) Symbiosis International University Law School, Pune, India, July 17-August 20, 2013 taught first year mooted skills classes, gave guest lectures and a faculty seminar, and conducted faculty workshops.

Professors Tonya Kowalski and Aida Alaka "Legal Writing Curriculum & Course Design," *Train-the-Trainers Workshop*, Free University of Tbilisi School of Law, Tbilisi, Georgia, January 21-23, 2013.

Prof. **Andrea Boyack** traveled to Tbilisi in May and presented (twice) at the Georgian Commercial Law Week symposium. She is also in the middle of writing a comparative law article on US and Georgian contract law remedies with Judge Ketii Meskhishvili for publication in the *Georgian Commercial Law Journal*.

School of Business

Dr. **Bill Roach** attended summer school at Notre Dame and took a Medieval Latin class.

From April 21st to May 2nd 2013, Dr. **Bob Boncella** presented the first ten lectures of a lecture series on *Global Information Systems* to IBA students of Wuhan University Science & Technology (WUST).



These ten lectures were presented via a Skype connection between either Washburn University or his home study and WUST. From May

6th to May 17th, he presented the remaining lectures in this series on site in Wuhan, China. In addition, from May 20th to May 24th he presented ten lectures on *Business Research Methods*. These were delivered on site to graduate students of the WUST School of Management.

Dr. **Xiaofeng (Sheldon) Peng** visited two countries, China and Australia, in late June and early July 2013. He first taught doctoral research seminars at Nankai University School of Business in Tianjin, China. Then he presented his research entitled “Pricing Discretionary Accruals: Code vs. Common Law Firms” at the *21st Pacific Basin Finance Accounting Economics and Management (PBF/EAM)* conference in Melbourne, Australia. The conference was co-organized by Rutgers University in New Jersey, USA and Deakin University in Melbourne, Australia. Now his presented study has been conditionally accepted for publication in the special issue of *Review of Pacific Basin Financial Markets and Policies (RPBFMP)*.

School of Applied Studies

Dr. **James E. Smith** (Social Work) attended and presented a conceptual paper at the *13th International Conference on Diversity in Organizations, Communities and Nations*, at Charles Darwin University in Darwin, Australia, June 26-28, 2013. The title of his presentation was, “Multi-Cultural Competence in Social Work Practice: A Paradigm for Standards in a Global Cultural Competency Model”. A journal of the same title has been submitted to the peer reviewed *International Journal of Diversity in Organization, Communities and Nations* for publication.

Dr. **Kayla Waters** (Human Services) attended the *2013 Annual Conference of the Society for Teaching and Learning in Higher Education* in Sydney, Nova Scotia. While there, she presented two papers: “A PostModern Approach to Professional Identity Development of Undergraduate Students in the Helping Professions” (co-authored with Dr. Deborah Altus and Dr. Iris Wilkinson of Human Services) and “Sustaining Environmental Resources, Professor Energy, and Student Perseverance Through Gamified Online Math Homework” (co-authored with Dr. Gavin Waters and Dr. Kevin Anderson of the Missouri Western State University Mathematics Department).

With help from an International Travel Grant and Faculty Development Grant, Dr. **Deborah Altus** (Human Services) flew to Scotland on the 2013 Summer Solstice to participate in the triennial *Conference of the International Communal Studies Association (ICSA)*. She was able to attend a pre-conference experience workshop at the host site, to present a paper, “Revisiting Walden Two: Sustainability from a Natural Science Perspective”, and, as an ICSA board member, participated in the association’s board meeting. After the conference, she was able to travel to New Lanark (near Glasgow), an industrial village that was strongly influenced by the management of Robert Owen in the beginning of the 19th century to develop broad social and educational reforms to improve the lives of workers and their families.

The ICSA conference was held at the Findhorn Foundation Community, an ecovillage and educa-

tional center in northeast Scotland on the Moray Firth coast, about 25 miles from Inverness. Findhorn is a 51-year-old community with several hundred residents and a wide variety of educational, ecological, spiritual, charitable, and arts-related businesses and organizations. The community is said to have one of the lowest ecological footprints in the western hemisphere. The community works to be not only ecologically sustainable but also spiritually, socially and economically sustainable.

From the ecological side, Findhorn has been a leader in areas such as sewage treatment, renewable energy, organic and biodynamic farming methods, and eco-housing. However, the community has its roots in the spiritual visions of its three founders, Eileen and Peter Caddy and Dorothy Maclean, who settled in a caravan (what Americans would call a trailer) at the Findhorn Bay Caravan Park in 1962. Eileen, Peter and Dorothy engaged in disciplined spiritual practices that eventually drew others to them. While they never intended to start a community, the visions that they shared from their meditations were inspiring to many people and within a decade or so, more than one hundred people had joined the community.

Based on the teachings of the founders, the spiritual focus of the community has revolved around the three core principles of deep inner listening, co-creation with nature, and love in action. Residents are involved in the community at differing levels, with some working for the Findhorn Foundation Trust or its subsidiaries and others working for related community businesses or outside enterprises. However, all residents subscribe to a “common ground” statement that includes the three core principles, a description of the community’s essence, and fourteen guidelines which include commitment to values such as service, integrity, respect, cooperation, reflection, direct communication, personal growth, non-violence, peacekeeping and engaging in a spiritual practice that promotes the highest good.

The Findhorn Foundation Community consists of several properties, the main one of which is called “The Park” and includes the caravan park where the founders originally settled. Following the community’s desire to “co-create with nature”, The Park is

full of creative, artistic structures that blend elements of the natural world into their design. Dwellings are designed to be in harmony with the natural world. Many homes have been fashioned from recycled materials, such as whiskey barrels. Art is central to community expression, and in addition to frequent opportunities for singing, dancing, and drumming, the built environment includes a focus on aesthetics as well as function. Buildings are adorned with stained glass, mosaics, wood carvings, and the like. Small businesses and organizations that focus on arts and crafts are scattered throughout the community, such as the Findhorn Pottery Studio Shop and Moray Art Centre.

Throughout her stay, Dr. Altus attended traditional conference papers but also had the opportunity to participate in community activities such as singing, dancing, drum circles, working in the kitchen, chopping rhubarb from the garden, cleaning houses, meditation, attunement, and playing the transformation game. The transformation game is a spiritual practice that allows players to tap into inner wisdom about issues of importance to them through the use of cards that provide insight and promote reflection.

The ICSA conference was attended by scholars and intentional community members from around the world, including people living in kibbutzim in Israel, Camphill communities in Norway and Scotland, cohousing communities in Canada and England, a spiritual community in India, ecovillages in Germany, a transition town in Japan, and much more. The rich variety of participants and the unusual setting provided an extraordinary opportunity to explore the theme of the conference: *Communal pathways to sustainable living*. I am grateful to Washburn University for helping to provide the opportunity to enrich

my knowledge of groundbreaking efforts around the world to build healthy communities that are sustainable in a holistic sense.



ICSA Conference, final plenary drumming.

Dean's Report

School of Business
Russ Smith, Associate Dean

Our “local” is our partner’s “global”—and vice versa! An important part of international activity is the international-oriented activity that takes place at one’s home location. This can be as part of the home institution’s own activities, but also as part of the activities of an international partner. This past spring and summer, the School of Business was very much involved in two home-located, but still international activities: 1) the hosting of visiting delegations and 2) the development of international content curriculum for the benefit of both local and international students. The School of Business welcomed three delegations, including two first-time delegations from potential partners (in China and Turkey). The third delegation was from long-time partner Wuhan University of Science and Technology (WUST) and the fourth at the presidential/vice-presidential level. In the curriculum area, significant progress was made in the development of a major in international business, including the preparation of two new courses to complete the necessary international course offerings.

On April 16, 2013, a delegation from Zhejiang College (Jinhua campus) of the Shanghai University of Finance and Economics met with representatives of the School of Business and Washburn International Programs Director Baili Zhang to talk about their development needs as a new institution and to explore possible areas of cooperation. The delegation was led by President Xiao Chen; the other members were Professor Jian Li, Assistant to the President, and Professor Chaomin Li, Chair of the Department of Economics. Jinhua in Zhejiang Province is also the home of Zhejiang Normal University, a long-time partner of Washburn University.

On May 8, 2013, the School of Business received a high-level delegation from partner institution Wuhan University of Science and Technology (WUST). The

delegation was led by Vice-President Jie Gu and included long-time friend of the School of Business Dianlei (Roger) Geng, Professor of English and Director of the International Office; Mr. Bin Wang, Professor of Information Science and Technology and Dean of School of Information Science and Technology; Ms. Jin Wu, Professor of Information Science and Technology and Deputy Dean (Academic) of School of Information Science and Technology; Mr. Keqing Sheng, Professor of Sports Education and Chair of Department of Physical Education; and Mr. Tao Huang, Professor of Public Administration and Deputy Dean (Academic) of School of Arts, Law and Economics. The working meeting in the School of Business also included from Washburn Dr. Nancy Tate, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs; Dean David Sollars, Associate Dean Russell Smith, and Professor Sheldon Peng from the School of Business; Baili Zhang, Director of International Programs; and also Prof. Yun “Isabella” Cheng, visiting scholar from WUST School of Management for the spring semester. Over the course of the visit, the delegation’s discussions included the many components of the WUST-WU partnership (visiting scholars, exchange students, the “X+Y” program for degree-seeking students, the BU 406 International Business and Entrepreneurial Experience: China class, and hybrid-format teaching in China by School of Business faculty), possible new areas for cooperation, and pedagogy, including conceptual and technical aspects of the Washburn general education program and transfer credit.

This spring semester, the School was pleased to host Dr. Yun “Isabella” Chen, the spring 2013 semester visiting scholar from the WUST marketing department, who is the eighth WUST visiting scholar the School of Business has hosted. Previously in Spring 2012 Dr. Chen worked with the School of Business as a WUST coordinator for the in-Wuhan portion of the BU 406 International Business and Entrepreneurial Experience course. Since her return to China in May 2013, she has coordinated the preparation of the official English-language version of WUST transcripts for exchange students and transfer students at Washburn University and also was instrumental in



the establishment of the WUST-WU page on the WUST website. She also participated in the faculty processional for May 2013 Washburn commencement where the two first graduates under the X+Y program (Ms. Wei Pi and Ms. Jingjing Wu) received their BBA degrees. Also participating in the faculty processional was WUST professor Yong “Lisa” Liu, who was visiting scholar at Washburn in Fall 2010 and is presently visiting scholar at the University of Wisconsin at River Falls, our partner institution through the Magellan Exchange consortium. Another example of “local” activities that are “global” from the point of view of the partner is the hybrid-format teaching done at WUST by School of Business professors Bob Boncella and Michael Stoica with the first half of the course was delivered by Skype from Kansas and the second half delivered face-to-face in Wuhan. Dr. Boncella’s lecture series, Global Information Systems, included ten lectures delivered by Skype from April 21 to May 2, 2013 to students in the WUST international business administration (IBA) program with the remaining lectures in the series presented on site in China between May 6 and May 17. Similarly, Dr. Stoica delivered a course, Entrepreneurship, to the IBA students, starting with twelve meetings via Skype between February 26 and April 26 followed by eight meetings face-to-face at WUST between May 23 and May 29.

For U.S.-based students, an example of a “first Skype, then on-site” framework is Dr. Stoica’s BU 406 International Business and Entrepreneurial Experience: China, where the Washburn and WUST student form teams by Internet, start working together on their company projects by Internet, and then finish up together in China. The 2013 offering of the class culminated on May 30 with the WUST School of Management’s “Seventh International Student Workshop of WU-WUST” where the students report the results of their projects. A report from the WUST School of Management to Washburn International Programs describes the class: “Through three months of joint practice in groups, American students and Chinese students {look} deep into Wuhan local plants and companies, and work together to resolve problems for companies.

Dean Pan {of the WUST School of Management} gave high praise for their good work and presentations.”

The WU-WUST partnership made significant progress this year in the area of supportive infrastructure. Recently both the Washburn School of Business and the WUST School of Management added web pages to provide general information and to support student advising and program marketing (<http://202.114.242.230:8041/news/138018124591012449.html>). A transfer guide listing the WUST courses and their Washburn equivalents is attached to the School of Business web site (<http://www.washburn.edu/academics/college-schools/business/advising/wust-transfer-guide.html>) Procedures were added or clarified to support the movement of student transfer credit documents in both directions to meet the requirements of both partners accurately and efficiently. This progress was made possible by the steady flow of visiting scholars who participated in program improvements along with their own professional development efforts in teaching and research. On June 6, 2013, the School of Business received a visit from Dr. Ersel Obuz from Celal Bayar University (CBU) in Manisa, Turkey, where he is International Office General Coordinator and Advisor to the Rector, for general discussion of possible areas of collaboration. Professor Michael Stoica made first contact with CBU at conference in October 2012 at partner school University of the Lower Danube in Galatz, Romania in and subsequently visited CBU in May 2013.

In the curriculum area, another “at-home” internationalization activity, the School of Business faculty approved in concept a major area of concentration in international business within the Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) degree. The action referred the proposal to the dean’s office for development of the final proposal and the implementation plan prior to further review on and off campus. The proposal draws on the School’s experience with the minor in international business (since 2000) available to all bachelor degree students and the Global Dynamics Requirement (GDR), a core re-

quirement within the BBA degree (since 2010). Two new courses will be added to existing courses to complete the set of course offerings. Final roll-out of the major will depend on the availability of resources.

As part of faculty development for the proposed major, five faculty members representing the areas of international business, international finance, international marketing, international economics, and international management attended the AACSB workshop on teaching international business, “Curriculum Development Series: Global Management Capabilities,” February 26, 2013 in Tampa. In his opening remarks, the workshop program chair recognized Washburn University for having adopted “Global Citizenship, Ethics, and Diversity” as one of five student learning outcomes in the general education program. Following up after the workshop, in June Prof. Liviu Florea attended the week-long Faculty Development in International Business Seminar: Session on International Management offered by the Center for Executive Education at the University of South Carolina as part of the CIBER program. This pedagogical seminar emphasized current techniques and expertise to teach cross-cultural management and other international business courses and supported the first offering of BU 356 Cross-cultural Management at Washburn this fall.

From the Desk of ...

Bassima Schbley **President of International Center of Topeka, Inc. (ICT)**

The International Center of Topeka, Inc. welcome students enrolling at Washburn for the fall semester. We hope you had a great summer! The mission of the International Center of Topeka, Inc. is to foster interest in international and intercultural issues through educational, cultural and social programs in service to the Washburn University campus and the greater Topeka community. In that vein, let me tell you about some of our recent and upcoming events.

During the summer of 2013, ICT provided food and activities to 24 Japanese students. The students were enrolled in an eight week session on campus – the first time offered at Washburn – which helped them acclimate to studying in the United States, enhance their English skills and give them a necessary boost before enrolling in universities throughout the country. During their stay, they were treated by ICT members to the following activities: a Welcome Brunch at the International House; a barbeque and fireworks display on July 4th at the home of Don and Bobbie Anderson who live near Lake Shawnee; and, a tour and picnic at a buffalo ranch near Wamego, Kansas, which is owned by family members of Alice Soper. The Japanese students enjoyed and appreciated the opportunities to share in Midwest American lifestyle.

On August 10, 2013, a Welcome Brunch for the international students enrolling for the fall semester was hosted by ICT at the International House. Sixty five students partook of food on that date. As there was no food service available on campus during that time, ICT was joined by Friendship Network and Christian Challenge, a First Southern Baptist Church program, in supplying meals at various times as well as meeting social needs of the students.

Another important activity sponsored by ICT is free tutoring for English language learners. The tutoring is offered at the International House on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00-5:00 pm and commenced on September 17, 2013. Tutors are available on these days and times and follow the Washburn school calendar. Students taking advantage of the service are either international students enrolled at Washburn or are from various countries and living in the community. Tutors work with individuals or in small groups and are flexible in meeting the needs of the students.

Plans are being made for next semester's activities and will include a Welcome Brunch and a Welcome Dinner. The annual cultural event focusing on a country or region of the world will be planned and announced in the near future.

The following slate of officers were elected for 2013-2014: Bassima Schbley, President; Rachel O'Sullivan, Vice President; Norma Juma, Treasurer; and, Anita Epps, Secretary, Baili Zhang, Executive Secretary. We also welcomed Ms. Eunice Brubaker to the board as a new member.

Kelly McClendon

Lecturer/Coordinator, Intensive English Program

The spring of 2013 held our largest enrollment for spring to date. We had 100 students enrolled compared to 76 the spring before. Many of these new students are coming from Saudi Arabia, with an increase from Paraguay as well. Diversification certainly describes the spring semester in the Intensive English Program. Our full-time faculty, Mary Ann Wittman and adjunct faculty, Meg Atwood, Christin Barkemeyer, Travis Lamb, Roger Laubengayer, and Larry McFall, welcomed our varied groups into the classrooms. In addition, the annual exchange with Fukuoka University continued this year welcoming 20 students from that university to the WU campus in March. This year Bobbie Anderson and Larry McFall led the intensive language skills classes and the students experienced on-campus living and homestays with families in Topeka.

After this spring of full classes, we opened our first ever summer program. A group of 24 students came from Japan to experience US culture and classroom to prepare for upcoming admission into American universities. In June they took combined language skills classes taught by Bobbie Anderson, Meg Atwood and Larry McFall. Then, in July, they enrolled in Academic Writing classes in the Intensive English Program. This was the first time the IEP offered courses in the summer. Look for these two courses again next summer as they were a great success.



Heidi Staerkel

Coordinator of International Student Services

In November 2012, I had the opportunity to attend Academic Impressions' *International Student Arrival and Orientation Institute* in Tampa, FL. The focus of this workshop was learning and discussing how to improve pre-arrival communication with new international students coming to our campuses, how to better prepare and welcome these new students and how to enhance the effectiveness of our on-campus new/transfer student orientation. By far, this was one of the most impactful and transformational workshops I've ever attended! I came back to the office feeling invigorated and eager to improve our processes at WU.

During Spring 2013, our office began implementing more pre-arrival communication to help new students be as prepared as possible before arriving at WU. We also began refining our on-campus orientation, making it more interactive and participation-based, such as changing the often unexciting campus tour to an interactive campus scavenger hunt done in small groups. During Summer 2013, our office began involving our new Presidential Ambassadors (see page 16 for more information) in the discussion and planning process regarding other ways to improve the on-campus orientation component. We continue to look for ways to better prepare our incoming new/transfer international students to facilitate a smooth transition into life at WU/in Topeka and to be successful in their academic pursuits here in the U.S.

Our office would like to recognize and congratulate our Spring/Summer 2013 graduates:

- Yasser Alsallom – MBA – Saudi Arabia
- Boaz Daniel – MBA – India
- Zheng Dong – BBA in Economics and Finance – China
- Xiaolu Fan – JD in Law – China
- Marta Harding – MBA – Paraguay
- Jianhao Hu – BBA in Accounting – China

- Pascal Laucht – BBA in Finance and Economics – Germany
- Zhenyu Li – BBA in Finance and Accounting – China
- Muhsinjon Muhamadjonov – BBA in Finance – Tajikistan
- Taygun Ozakinci – BM in Music Education – Turkey
- Rodolfo Parisi Duarte – MLS – Paraguay
- Wei Pi – BBA in Finance and Accounting – China
- Binbin Wu – BBA in Accounting and Marketing – China
- Jingjing Wu – BBA in Finance – China
- Junchi Zhou – BBA in Marketing and Finance – China

We would especially like to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of the following graduates who received Latin and/or departmental honors:

- Zheng Dong – Cum Laude and School of Business scholar
- Zhenyu Li – Magna Cum Laude and School of Business scholar
- Aygun Ozakinci – Cum Laude
- Wei Pi – Cum Laude and School of Business scholar
- Binbin Wu– Magna Cum Laude and School of Business scholar
- Jingjing Wu – Cum Laude

Tina Williams
Study Abroad Coordinator

Special Program Offerings: Through special arrangements the following WU Partner Universities offer generous scholarship opportunities, stipends and waivers for WU Students.

- Shanghai International University – China, reduced summer program fee.
- International Business Academy – Denmark, accommodations scholarship.

- Chiba University of Commerce – Japan, summer program accommodations & meals waiver.
- University of Guanajuato – Mexico, accommodations & meal waiver.
- Hallym University – S. Korea, reduced summer program fee.
- Anyang University S. Korea – airfare reimbursement and a weekly stipend for participating in English conversation class.

Like us on Facebook: This summer the OIP began reaching out through social media to our current and past study abroad participants through Facebook. Our cover photo features WU student Emily Juhnke, far right, jumping for joy as her Semester at Sea voyage enters to port of Shanghai, China. To learn more about WU study abroad “Like” us on Facebook.



Programs and Scholarships: The International Programs Scholarship Committee awarded Scholarships to 139 students participating in study abroad programs in over a dozen different countries during the spring and summer 2013. Programs range in length from one week to semester. Included were the following Faculty-led Transformational Experiences:

Spring Programs:

- Belize – Study Abroad In Belize – Dr. Judith McConnell-Farmer
- Costa Rica – Service Learning – Dr. Randy Pembrook
- Nicaragua – Service Experience – Dr. Richard Ellis



Summer Programs:

- Barbados – Law Program – Professor Nancy Maxwell
- China - International Business and Entrepreneurship Experience – Dr. Michael Stoica
- Cuba – Modern Cuba – Dr. Linsey Moddelmog
- Dominican Republic – The Dominican Republic Experience – Professor Georgina Tenny
- Japan – Discover Japan with Fukuoka University – Dr. Karen Kapusta-Pofahl
- Malta – Documenting Art Abroad – Professor MaryDorsey Wanless
- Scotland – Comparative Criminal Justice – Dr. Gary Bayens

If you would like to find out more about WU study abroad visit: <https://washburn.studioabroad.com>

Andy Vogel **International Student Recruitment and Retention Coordinator**

A few new programs have been started on campus and another has been contributed to significantly by the awarding of a generous grant. The first being the Sakae Summer Institute which saw 24 Japanese first year students come to Washburn University for a successful eight week program this past summer. (see the article on page 13) Five of the Sakae students have enrolled at Washburn as full-time degree seeking students.

The “International Bod’s on Bikes” program was awarded a generous \$1000 grant from the Washburn Women’s Venture Partner’s to upgrade the OIP’s bike-share, bringing the total to 25 bicycles, along with helmets, locks, lube and inner tubes.

The India Experience, a new faculty-led study abroad collaboration with Washburn’s partnership institution Symbiosis International University in Pune, India is being led by Azyz Sharafy (Art) and Andy Vogel (OIP) during the winter break (Dec. 26th- Jan 14th). Trip highlights will include tours of Mumbai, New Delhi, Taj Mahal, Ajanta and Ellora caves and

ten days at Symbiosis focusing on relevant topics on India culture, history and politics.

The PAIS, or Presidential Ambassadors for International students, is a new honor’s program of international students who help to assist new international students from their representative area to transition into successful classroom and social practices. If you know an international student who needs assistance please advise them to contact their ambassador, or if you would like to nominate an excellent international student, please email andy.vogel@washburn.edu.

Features

Washburn’s Criminal Justice Program

By Dr. Gerald Bayens
Criminal Justice & Legal Studies

Since 2005, the Criminal Justice program at Washburn University has collaborated with the Centre for Criminal Justice and Police Studies at the University of the West of Scotland to offer a 14-day study abroad opportunity for undergraduate students. During that time, more than 50 Washburn criminal justice students have studied in Scotland, many of them completing an international transformational experience, through scholarships awarded by the Washburn University International Program. In 2010, this well-established summer school exchange program expanded to include the University of West Florida.

In June 2013, 22 Washburn and West Florida students, accompanied by faculty members from both universities, again traveled to Scotland to experience the Scottish justice system and compare it with the U.S. justice system. This emphasis enables students to have a better understanding of cultural, history, political and social factors, and explains their influence on legal institutions and systems of justice.

“Our day typically starts with a 3-hour morning lecture by the University of the West of Scotland faculty,” said Dr. Gary Bayens, Chair of the Criminal Jus-

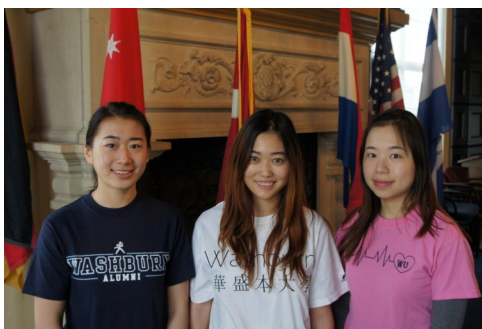
tice & Legal Studies Department. “In the afternoons we travel to locations throughout Scotland to reinforce classroom instruction by observing the operations of criminal justice agencies, such as the high court in Glasgow, Barlinnie Prison in Riddrie, and the Scottish Special Forces Training Center in East Kilbride.”

Jason Kealy, a recent graduate of the program said, “The study abroad trip to Scotland was both educational and personally rewarding. The differences between our systems of criminal justice are vast and I believe could only be best understood by the immersion that this trip provides. The professors were just as excited to spend time with and educate us as we were to learn and develop an understanding of the way things work in a country other than our own.”

In 2014, students and faculty members from the University of West Scotland will travel to the Washburn University campus for two weeks as part of this exchange partnership. WU faculty members have already begun developing the academic program and to schedule visits to local, state, and federal criminal justice agencies in Topeka and Northeast Kansas.

WU's Wu's from China

By Baili Zhang
Director, Office of International Programs



From left: Shan Wu, Management Major from Jinhua, Zhejiang; Binbin Wu, Accounting Major from Suzhou, Hubei; and Jingjing Wu, Accounting Major from Wuhan, Hubei

Wu is widely considered one of the biggest family names in China. To be more exact, about 26,000,000 citizens or roughly 2% of the country's total population, share the family name. Historically, it was associated most closely with the Wu State (est. 229-280) during the Period of Three Kingdoms (est. 220-280). Since Chinese is a tonal language, changing the tone can change the meaning of the syllable or word since Chinese is monosyllabic, i.e. each syllable is a meaningful word. That is to say, linguistically, tones are phonemic. For example, the phoneme of “wu” taking on the second tone (rising modestly) is manifested as the family name of Wu (written as 吴 in ideograph or character). But when pronounced in the third tone (dipping then rising), it surfaces as two other family names written as “武” and “伍”, respectively, exhibiting another feature of the Chinese language as being highly homophonic.

Sakae Summer Institute at Washburn University

By Andy Vogel, Coordinator
International Student Recruitment and Retention

Twenty four Japanese first year students attended a newly established Sakae Institute eight week summer program taking classes in English and American Culture at Washburn University this last summer. The program was an overwhelming success, so much so that five of the students have decided to enroll and become degree seeking students at Washburn.

They students had weekend excursions planned every single weekend, included were a Royals game, Nelson-Atkins and Plaza, Buffalo Ranch, Fourth of July Celebration at Lake Shawnee, Kansas City Market, Worlds of Fun, Flint Hills Ranch Party, Homestay, Sunflower Music Festival, Shrine bowl, Topeka Tour and volunteering at the Salvation Army.

Because the cafeteria was closed for breakfast, dinner and during the weekends, approximately 58 meals were prepared in the International House kitchen or catered and eaten in the Great Room.

Although this made for some long days and busy weekends, the students were really fantastic and the Office of International Programs would like to thank all those individuals who helped host, feed, transport, teach and entertain this great group. We are looking forward to the next summer's group from Sakae!



Students from Sakae Institute, Japan.

Georgia

by Patricia Judd

In March 2013, Washburn Law hosted two visitors from Free University Tbilisi in Georgia for an extended visit. The visitors engaged with Washburn Law faculty on a number of initiatives included in the partnership between the two schools, including extensive planning for a commercial law symposium to take place in Tbilisi in May, coordination of comparative research projects in commercial law and constitutional law, coordination of clinical education, development of Centers of Excellence, moot court competitions and journal publication. The visitors also met with faculty on individual projects of interest and attended a number of Washburn Law classes.

WUST and WU

Bu Jing Wang, Visiting Professor from WUST

Dr. Cheng Yun visited WU from Feb to May of 2013; she is one of the seven professors from the School of Business-WUST, who have visited WU.

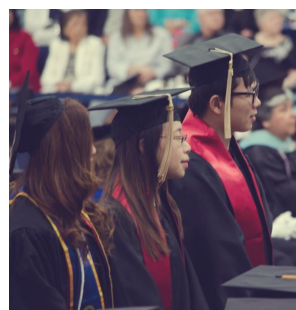
In May, Vice President Gu, international office director Geng, visited WU and talked about future development between our two universities. Leaders of

both universities were very satisfied with the cooperation.



WUST Delegation in front of the IHouse (photo: bsz)

WU's School of Business graduation was held May 11th. Jingjing Wu and Pi Wei were the first X+Y dual degree students between WUST and WU to graduate. They received dual degrees both from WUST and WU, demonstrating the best outcome of cooperation between the two universities. WU Jingjing is employed by Ernst & Young, which is one of the biggest accountant consulting agencies. Pi Wei is a graduate student at the University of Washington. Professors Cheng Yun and Liu Yong of WUST attended their graduation.



Jingjing Wu (middle) at commencement.



Wei Pi (front) at commencement.



Yun "Isabella" Chen (left) and Yong "Lisa" Liu with President Farley at commencement

On May 23th, Professor Michael Stoica from WU’s School of Business and Marian Jamison, Associate Dean of WU’s School of Nursing, arrived at WUST together with five students. Professor Michael Stoica taught entrepreneurship to IBA students in WUST. Marian Jamison visited the School of Medicine at WUST and had a friendly and constructive meeting with associated leadership.

On May 30th, the Seventh *International Student Workshop of WU-WUST* was successfully held at the School of Management-WUST. Attending this event were Dean Pan Kailing (WUST School of Management), Vice Dean Deng Xudong (WUST School of Management), Vice Director Xiao Qiaoling (WUST International Relation Office), Dr. Michael Stoica (WU School of Business), and Marian



WU and WUST students in Wuban

Jamison (WU School of Nursing). Over a period of three months, American and Chinese students worked together to resolve problems for local Wuhan plants and companies. Dean Pan gave high appraisal for their good work and presentations. Meanwhile, Dr. Michael Stoica granted Dr. Yun Cheng the “Significant Contribution Award”, and granted an “International Workshop Certificate” to all American and Chinese students.

In 2013, twelve regular exchange students, three dual-degree seeking students, and three nursing majors have attended WU. So far, the transcript authentication has been done successfully together.

New International Scholars Join WU Faculty

KM Kwong, LCSW (NY), Ph.D., joined Washburn University as an Assistant Professor of Social Work in August 2013. Prior to joining Washburn, KM taught in the M.S.W. program at SUNY-Brockport. She received her B.S.W. from Wheelock College, a M.S.W.



from Columbia University, and her Ph.D. in Clinical Social Work from New York University. She has taught across the social work and counseling curriculum, e.g., HBSE, practice courses, abnormal psychology, practice and program evaluation, multicultural education & cultural diversity. Publications and presentations reflect her interest and expertise in cultural and clinical competence as well as trauma study/mental health issues.



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Congratulations!

Meet the Presidential Ambassadors For International Students

2013 is the first year of a new, very prestigious and elite program at Washburn University called Presidential Ambassadors for International Students. PAIS are selected by the International Office based on their exemplary standing as a student, leadership skills, and potential in international education. This program is a stepping-stone for those students looking to work internationally or in the field of international studies, international business, international relations and higher education or live abroad.



Shuyue (Sharon) Chen
Home: China
Year: Senior
Major: Communications



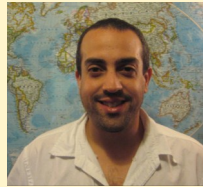
Alex Voskoboyev
Home: Netherlands
Year: Junior
Major: Communications



Hamad Nooh
Home: Bahrain
Year: Junior
Major: Finance



Dier (Penny) Liu
Home: China
Year: Senior
Major: Accounting & Finance



Saud Alfaour
Home: Saudi Arabia
Year: Sophomore
Major: Political Science



Yacine Gaye
Home: Senegal
Year: Freshman
Major: Undeclared



Xiangrui (Sherry) Zheng
Home: China
Year: Sophomore
Major: Undeclared



Mairui (Mary) Li
Home: China
Year: Junior
Major: Accounting & Finance



Dario Munoz
Home: Paraguay
Year: Sophomore
Major: Finance, Economics



Rizki Aljupri
Home: Indonesia
Major: MBA

Not Pictured

Iffat Alrowaithy
Home: Saudi Arabia
Major: MBA

Congratulations!

The following faculty were awarded 2013 Sweet Summer Sabbaticals:

Bob Beatty
Xiaoli (Shiao-Li) Ding
Eric McHenry
Dmitri Nizovtsev
Marguerite Perret
Karen Kapusta-Pofahl
Gaspar Porta
Thomas Prasch
Paul Prece
William Roach
Bassima Schbley
Courtney Sullivan
Glenda Taylor
Margaret Wood
Kerry Wynn

Phi Beta Delta, Honor Society for International Scholars



Three new members, Ye Wang, third from left, Kelly McClendon, middle, and Tonya Komalski, not pictured, were inducted into the 2013 class of Phi Beta Delta, Honor Society for International Scholars. They were joined by the Executive Board members Bassima Schbley, left, Xiaoli Ding, second left, Baili Zhang, right, Nora Clark, second right, and Judy McConnell-Farmer. Photo/TW



Members of Phi Beta Delta, Honor Society for International Scholars, joined the new inductees.



New inductees Ye Wang and Kelly McClendon.