

***Finnish Higher Education Experts USA Study Tour 2009***  
***“Graduate Education in the U.S.”***

**Program Agenda**

**PURPOSE:**

To offer a one-week seminar to seven higher education professionals appointed by the Academy of Finland on graduate education in the United States. Participants will focus on comparing U.S. and Finnish strategies to provide graduate education and identify possible applications of the American practice to the Finnish system. The participants will discuss leadership structures and decision-making processes and the management and governance of American graduate institutions. The group will learn about the American system from expert speakers and through direct observation at private and public universities. Topics will include the autonomy of graduate schools within the university, financial structures, quality assurance, recruitment and admission of students, the relationship between graduate programs and the job market, and other issues.

**DATES:**

October 25-30, 2009

**AGENDA:**

Participants will travel to the United States for a five-day higher education management seminar focusing on graduate education. The program will consist of a one-day workshop, 5 site visits to public and private universities in Washington, DC and Maryland to observe graduate school operations in action, and a final wrap-up discussion session.

## Day One: Monday, October 26th

Seminar at IIE/DC, 1400 K Street, 6th Floor, Room 6A

8:30-9:00am

### Breakfast and Welcome

- *Allan Goodman, President and CEO, Institute of International Education*
- *Terhi Mölsä, Executive Director, Fulbright Center Finland*

9:00-10:30am

### The Development of Higher Education in the United States

- *Daniel Fallon, Professor Emeritus of Public Policy and Psychology, University of Maryland*

- The relationship between undergraduate and graduate education
- Introduction to higher education in the United States
- Carnegie Classification System
- Admissions, Financial aid, funding, etc.
- Emerging issues, challenges, and trends
- The Bologna Process

10:30-10:45am

Coffee Break

10:45-12:15pm

### Graduate Education in the United States

- *Robert Sowell, Project Director and Vice President, Programs and Operations, Council of Graduate Schools*
- *Julia Kent, Program Manager, Council of Graduate Schools*

- How the field has developed (exchanges of all sorts, university programming, linkages)
- Emerging issues, challenges, and trends.
- Challenges facing graduate education in the U.S.
- The role of higher education associations (Council of Graduate Schools)
- Structure of graduate programs within U.S. universities (centralized v decentralized international education operations)

12:15–1:15pm

Lunch

1:15-2:15pm

### Graduate Enrollment & Admissions

- *K. Jill Barr, Assistant Dean of Graduate Enrollment, University of Maryland, Baltimore County*

2:15-3:45pm

### Decision-Making, Governance, and Management in American Graduate Schools: A Case Study

- *Rosemary Wander, Vice Provost for Graduate Studies and Research, American University*
- *Sally Francis, Dean, Oregon State University and Resident Dean at the Council of Graduate Schools*

3:45-4:30pm

### Wrap-up of Day 1

6:30pm

### Opening Dinner at the Iron Gate (1734 N St NW # 2)

Hosted by *Sabine O'Hara, Executive Director CIES/Vice President IIE, and Terhi Mölsä, Executive Director, Fulbright Center Finland*

## Day Two: Tuesday, October 27

Morning: Site visit to George Mason University

Afternoon: Site visit to Georgetown University

### George Mason University

Mason Hall, D5

Contact: Marcy Glover, (703) 993-8722

8:30am

#### **Welcome and Introduction to George Mason University**

- **Tom Hennessey**, *University Chief of Staff*

9:00-10:00am

#### **Best Practices in Graduate Education: The Research Perspective**

- **Peter Barcher**, *Associate Dean, Research, College of Education and Human Development*

10:00-11:00am

#### **Best Practices in Graduate Education: The Administrative Perspective**

- **Michelle Marks**, *Associate Provost for Graduate Education, Office of the Provost*

11:00-12:00pm

#### **Best Practices in Graduate Education: The International Component**

- **Kathy Trump**, *Associate Dean for International, University Life*

### Georgetown University

OIP Conference Room, Poulton Hall, 2nd Floor

Contact: Debbie Brown, (202) 687-5742

1:00pm

Lunch

1:30-3:00pm

#### **Graduate Education at Georgetown: Administrative Practices**

- **James Schaefer**, *Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Financial Aid, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences*
- **Tim Barbari**, *Dean and Associate Provost for Research, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences*
- **Sheila McMullan**, *Associate Dean for Administration and Finance, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences*

3:00-4:00pm

#### **International Education at the Graduate Level**

- **Kathy Bellows**, *Executive Director, International Programs*

## Day Three: Wednesday, October 28

Morning: Midway debriefing at IIE-CIES

Afternoon: Site visit to Johns Hopkins University

### Debriefing at IIE-CIES

3007 Tilden Street, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Vaclav Havel

Contact: Nadine Foik, (202) 686-4009

8:30am

#### Breakfast & Welcome

- *Sabine O'Hara, Executive Director CIES/Vice President IIE*

9:00-9:30am

#### Current Trends in the International Fulbright Exchanges

- *Sabine O'Hara, Executive Director CIES/Vice President IIE*
- *Terhi Mölsä, Executive Director, Fulbright Center Finland*

9:30-11:00am

#### Midway Debriefing

- *Heikki Ruskoaho, Chair, Steering Group for the Development of Graduate Education, Finland*

### Johns Hopkins University

Homewood Campus, Garland Hall, President's Conference Room 220

Contact: Pam Cranston, (410) 516-4892

12:30-1:15pm

Lunch

1:15-1:45pm

#### Overview of Johns Hopkins University

- *Pam Cranston, Vice Provost for International Programs*

#### Overview of JHU Graduate Education

- *Jon Bagger, Vice Provost for Graduate Education*

1:45-2:45pm

#### Graduate Education in the JHU Schools of Arts & Sciences and Engineering

- *David Bell, Dean of the Faculty in the Krieger, School of Arts and Sciences*
- *Andrew Douglas, Vice Dean of Faculty in the Whiting School of Engineering*

2:45-3:00pm

Break

3:00-4:00pm

#### Case Studies in Interdisciplinary Studies in Graduate Education at Hopkins

- *Scott Zeger, Vice Provost for Research,*
- *Greg Ball, Dean of Research and Graduate Education in the Krieger School of Arts and Sciences*
- *Marc Donahue, Vice Dean of Research in the Whiting School of Engineering*

## **Day Four: Thursday, October 29**

**Morning: Site visit to University of Maryland, College Park**

**Afternoon: Site visit to George Washington University**

### **University of Maryland**

Office of International Programs, 1122 Holzapfel Hall

Contact: Valerie Woolston, (301) 314-7735

*All sessions will be informal and open discussion is encouraged*

9:00-10:00am

#### **Welcome**

- *Valerie Woolston, Director, International Education Services*

#### **Overview of Graduate Education at the University of Maryland**

- *Thomas Castonguay, Associate Dean, Graduate School & Professor of Nutrition and Food Science*

10:00-11:00am

#### **Internationalization and Departmental Views**

- *Saul Sosnowski, Associate Provost for International Affairs & Professor of Spanish*

11:00am-12:00pm

#### **Research and Graduate Education**

- *Michele Eastman, Associate Vice President for Research*

### **George Washington University**

714 21<sup>st</sup> Street, NW, First Floor Conference Room

Contact: Francesca Piemonte Slesinger, (202) 994-4673

12:30-1:30pm

#### **Lunch and Introduction**

- *Donna Scarboro, Associate Vice President, International Programs*

1:30-2:30pm

#### **Overview of Graduate Education**

- *Dianne Martin, Associate Vice President for Graduate Studies and Academic Affairs; Professor of Engineering and Applied Science*

2:30-3:15pm

#### **Research, Recruitment, and Support of Graduate Education**

- *Anne Hirschfield, Associate Vice President for Health Research, Compliance, and Technology Transfer, Professor of Anatomy*
- *Geri Rypkema, Director for Graduate Student Support, Graduate Assistantships and Fellowships*
- *Kristin Williams, Assistant Vice President for Graduate and Special Enrollment Management*

3:15-4:00pm

#### **Walking Tour of the GW Foggy Bottom Campus**

- *Anthony Pandolfo, Senior Secretary, International Programs*

6:30 pm

#### **Closing Dinner**

## **Day Five: Friday, October 30**

**Morning: Debriefing at the Embassy of Finland (3301 Massachusetts Ave NW)**

8:45-10:45am

### **Seminar Wrap-Up**

- *Terhi Mölsä, Executive Director, Fulbright Center Finland*
- *Heikki Ruskoaho, Chair, Steering Group for the Development of Graduate Education, Finland*

10:45-11:15am

### **Guided Tour of the Embassy**

- *Liisa Rutanen, Information Officer, Embassy of Finland*
- *Marjatta Talbot, Event Manager, Embassy of Finland*

11:15am-1:00pm

### **Closing Lunch**

*Hosted by Pekka Hako, Cultural Counselor, Embassy of Finland*