



Brenda Technology Institute & The World Academy for the Future of Women

The World Academy for the Future of Women has integrated students from Brenda Technology Institute during this academic year to bring the leadership training of the World Academy to students of Brenda. Four Brenda students were accepted into the World Academy this year and commute from the Brenda campus to participate in the Academy. In addition, an Academy Facilitator conducts a weekly forum open to all students at Brenda. This model and partnership building will forward our intent to launch the World Academy on Brenda campus in the fall of 2011!



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Making a World of Difference...



Jerrie Ueberle with Phoenix Rising Leadership Award Recipients: Qiao Hongmei (Emma), Chang Yanshen (Annie), and RenJuan (Tina)

A VIRTUAL COURSE: PROTOCOLS FOR GLOBAL LEADERSHIP FOR WOMEN

Jan Daugherty, Ph.D, Candidate,
University of Central Florida

This month, The World Academy offers a five-week, 2 hour seminar that meets for live virtual sessions on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9pm. The suggested dates for the course are 10/19/10 – 11/16/10. The course is entitled, *Protocols for Global Leadership for Undergraduate Women*. The learning objectives for this seminar complement the mission of the World Academy 2010 Leadership Series. It is designed to broaden perspectives on leadership for WA female students and their chosen English-speaking foreign and international faculty mentors. Students and Mentor participants agree to work together to develop a grounded understanding of leadership principles, while enhancing student self-awareness, self-esteem, and professional attributes. The course provides practical, interactive, and experiential opportunities to guide undergraduate sophomore female students into becoming emerging leaders. To students will learn effective communication with classmates and their mentoring instructor as they complete classroom activities and homework assignments. Prerequisites are to possess a basic knowledge of online, web access, and social networking skills, e.g., email, course management systems, and online academic library databases.

The Facilitators

Module 2: Discovering Your Passion and Purpose October 6th – November 10th

DANITA RIOS



"The coaching sessions are a favorite of mine. The women have been asking a lot of questions about "what do I do when I'm sad/mad/stressed, etc." I love hearing this because it shows that they now have a distinction or put another way, they are experiencing breakdowns which can only be followed by a breakthrough. I love sharing my own personal experiences so they can relate and it seems to be most effective.

I have had individual coaching with some of the members and the look on their faces when they find the clarity or inspiration they were seeking is priceless. They hug me and thank me often. I try to remind them they are seeing themselves in me. They are giving themselves the inspiration and clarity they need. I am just the space with which they realize that.

I am blessed to be sharing, growing and transforming with the members. I love every moment here and it keeps getting better and better."

Module 1 & Module 2:

Danita Rios, Ann Grimm, Christina
and Lisa Thonack



WHO FACILIATES THE ACADEMY?

A team of facilitators with leadership skills in business, corporations, community, global projects, and personal growth deliver the Academy Curriculum. They each share a passion and commitment for preparing women for leadership roles. The founding facilitators have contributed five weeks of their time to be on SIAS campus, and paid their travel costs to participate. Housing and meals are covered while at Sias. The Advisory Board is seeking a comparable Chinese team to co-facilitate with our American Facilitator Body. In addition, SIAS Chinese and foreign faculty are invited as support staff and project supervisors to enhance the hands-on projects that will transfer and apply the skills to practice.

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12th Annual International Cultural Week: November 1st-6th, 2010

The Sias International Culture Week plays an active role in creating lively and enthusiastic extracurricular activities at Sias. This unique weeklong festival is a window to the world through which one can see and appreciate both home and foreign cultures.

"To communicate with people who have different values and beliefs in an effective way is one of the most significant skills in the world today. Sias International Culture Week is designed to equip our students with these kinds of skills in life." said Sias president Li Haijun

There are six days of events for the students. The week begins with China Day, followed by Latin America/Africa Day, European Day, Asia Day, North America Day and International Day, which features selected acts from the previous five days.

The World Academy for the Future of Women celebrated Cultural Week alongside Sias with their own events. Facilitator, Danita Rios hosted a Samba class, demonstrating the Brazilian tradition to Academy members. The events were held to highlight the themes of cultural awareness and diversity.

WORLD ACADEMY PARTNERSHIP WITH HENAN PROVINCIAL LIBRARY

In September Sias alum, Andy Chen, a Sias alum, introduced Jerrie Ueberle to the Director of the Henan Provincial Library, Zhang Song Dao. A second meeting included his staff and World Academy facilitators, Ann Grim and Lisa Thonack. The meeting resulted in the beginning of a partnership that will enable Academy members to meet Henan women leaders, to develop relationships, share the work of the World Academy and integrate the Academy projects with social action and leadership being done in Henan Province. Mr. Zhang offered to video meetings and distribute the videos to all Henan libraries as well as China's Central libraries system. To date two meetings have been held, one at the Henan Provincial Library and one on Sias Campus. These two introductory meetings have established the beginning partnership for community and university women to work together to accelerate progress on issues important to women in Henan Province. Great Beginnings!



HOW CAN I BE INVOLVED?

Become a mentor to one of the students, *apply to be an Academy Facilitator for the 2011-2012 year at SIAS*, provide an internship for a student, *invest in the future of the Academy or the future of an Academy Associate by becoming an Academy Investor in the Future of Women*, *offer project ideas that focus on women's issues*, **connect us with others in your network who would be interested in the Academy and the leaders it will produce, assist us in making this project known in order to grow the Academy to other campuses throughout China and worldwide, *provide us resources to expand this work* ... share your ideas about how we can promote the possibilities for women to make a world of difference.**

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