

HOW CAN I BE INVOLVED?

- Mentor an Academy student
- Provide a student internship opportunity
- Become an Academy Investor
- Sponsor an Academy Facilitator
- 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
- Provide resources to enhance and expand the program, and its projects
- Assist in developing satellite campuses throughout China and the world.
- Apply to become a 2010 -11 SIAS Academy Facilitator

The Academy invites you to support its efforts and welcomes partnerships with organizations and non-profits.

Training presentations

Global training presentations each week and professional lecture series



Leadership laboratories

Design, develop, and implement your leadership project



Coaching sessions

Coaching sessions each week



Global Mentors

Individual support given by experienced leaders and business owners



Service Learning

Certificate of Completion



Advanced Leadership Development



PURPOSE

To promote and accelerate the advancement of women worldwide

MISSION

To engage women in discovering their purpose and passion in life by inspiring and empowering them in find their individual paths to success

8 ACADEMY FORUMS

Creating Possibilities

Allison Haynes and Patty Vogan

Passion and Purpose

Paula Shoup

Building Powerful Teams

Melanie St. James

Journey to Success

Elizabeth Enright

Self-Empowerment: Mind and Body

Susan Brooks and Gail Marshall

Leveraging Results: Review, Renew, and Refocus

Claudia Sloan

Show Time: Presentation and Communication

Alanna Levenson

Legacy of Leadership

Suzanne and Dwight Frindt



What's new at SIAS...

World Academy
For the Future of Women

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Discovering Passion, Purpose and Path to Leadership ...

WHAT IS THE WORLD ACADEMY FOR THE FUTURE OF WOMEN?

The World Academy for the Future of Women is a bold and rigorous leadership training program for women committed to acquiring skills and confidence to develop as campus, community, national, or global leaders.

The Academy was announced at the 3rd annual Women's Symposium in May 2009, at SIAS International University in Xinzheng, China, and opens there in September 2009. The Academy offers a year-long certificate program of study, designed to engage women in discovering their purpose and passion in life by inspiring and empowering them to find their individual paths to success. The Academy encourages women to reach their highest potential while influencing others to achieve their best.

Through facilitated curriculum, dialogue, and interactive programs students are prepared for leadership roles in the new economy as global citizens. Team projects, based on the UN Millennium Development Goals, are the centerpiece of the program. The students gain self discipline and engage in global social networking while designing, developing, and implementing their selected leadership projects. Students develop strategies to transfer and integrate their skills and expertise as they transform their campus, community, and world through action and leadership.

HOW DID THE ACADEMY BEGAN?

The World Academy for the Future of Women is the result of many who have witnessed the under representation and unrealized potential of women throughout the world.

Women's voices have not been heard and their unique skills and diversity have not been integrated into decision making that impacts their families and communities. Women's dreams and passions are too frequently abandoned and marginalized when education and financial support are not available.

Research indicates that women bring value to decision making, through enormous economic gains using micro lending, through financial and social advances when women receive education, and through improvements in the overall quality of life of family and community when provided opportunities.

Although conditions for women in many parts of the world have improved over recent decades, throughout the world women remain at the bottom in terms of access to healthcare, education, pay equity, and opportunity.

While answers are lacking to many of the questions regarding why women have been unable to move from the bottom tier of society, the founding partners, members and facilitators of the World Academy for the Future of Women are inspired, committed, and relentless in their pursuit of solutions and the creation of a path for women to become recognized leaders.

WHO WILL ATTEND?

SIAS female students are invited to apply to become an Academy member. The application process provides students the opportunity to express their commitment to leadership and active engagement in the Academy curriculum and projects.

Recommendations and personal interviews finalize the application process. Only 20-25 students from each class (Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors) will be selected to become Academy members. Participation in the Academy requires a one-year commitment. The Academy is a certificate program and does not provide academic credit.

WHO WILL FACILITATE THE ACADEMY?

A team of facilitators with leadership skills and experience in business, non-profit organizations, community programs, and global projects, will deliver the Academy Curriculum.

They share a passion and commitment for preparing women for leadership roles. The founding facilitators are generously contributing five weeks of their time to be on SIAS campus, and paying their travel costs to participate. The Advisory Board is seeking a comparable Chinese team to co-facilitate with them. In addition, we invite SIAS Chinese and foreign faculty members, as support staff and project supervisors to enhance the hands-on projects that will transfer and apply the skills to practice!



