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UNC Tomorrow Commission finds Need to Strengthen UNC's Global Readiness

University of North Carolina Tomorrow



In February 2007, the UNC Board of Governors and President Erskine Bowles launched an initiative called **University of North Carolina Tomorrow** to determine how the University can best meet the needs of the state and its people over the next 20 years. In March, Board of Governors Chairman Jim Phillips announced the creation of the UNC Tomorrow Commission. The 25-member Commission, chaired by Mr. Phillips, included leaders from business, education, government, and non-profit sectors across the state. The Commission was joined by a 14-member UNC Tomorrow Scholars Council to study particular subjects in depth.

From April through June, the Commission, the Scholars and senior UNC administrators traveled the state to receive reports from campuses on what they are currently doing to meet the needs of the region and the State. During September and October eleven regional "Community Listening Forums" were held to solicit input from the public about what the university system can do to improve their lives. In October and November "Faculty Listening Forums" allowed faculty to express what they considered important issues for our campuses to address.

On December 6, the UNC Tomorrow Commission met to finalize its findings and recommendations.

The seven major findings include the need to address our Global Readiness. ***"UNC should educate its students to be personally and professionally successful in the 21st century and, to do so, should enhance the global competitiveness of its institutions and their graduates."*** The recommendations that accompany this finding are:

1. "UNC should prepare its students for successful professional and personal lives in the 21st Century, equipping them with the tools they will need to adapt to the ever-changing world."
2. "UNC programs, especially research programs, should be globally competitive to ensure that they are globally relevant and significant."
3. "UNC should promote increased partnerships between its own campuses and international universities and enhance the global awareness of its faculty and students."

The other six findings address Access to Higher Education, Improving Public Education, Economic Transformation, Health, Environment and Outreach and Engagement. Suggested strategies for the recommendations are presented in the full report. Once approved by the UNC Board of Governors, UNC GA will work with campuses and affiliated entities to develop specific plans for responding to the Commission's recommendations.

The full text of the report and an executive summary can be found at: http://www.nctomorrow.org/content.php/reports_documents/commission_reports.htm. For more information, please contact UNC Tomorrow Executive Director Norma Houston (919-843-1903) or Deputy Director Tony Caravano (919-962-4231).

Campus departments, centers and other program units should submit information for publication and mailing list corrections, additions or deletions to campus representatives (see contact information left)



New Director for International Outreach



Dr. Sarah Speir Bergstedt has joined the Office of International Education and Development to fill the newly created position "Director of International Outreach."

In addition to re-establishing a K-12 outreach program, "AS-U-GO" (ASU's Global Outreach Program), Sarah is collaborating with many campus departments, faculty, staff and community members to develop new initiatives designed to engage a wide range of populations in international activities on campus and to extend our international efforts into the community.

New initiatives associated with this new position include:

- A Provost-appointed International Outreach Council composed of ASU faculty and staff, community leaders, and public school representatives who have the ability to generate ideas, provide collaborative support, and guide new initiatives and policy development for outreach programs both on the ASU campus and in the community.
- Collaboration with the Reich College of Education to identify ways of internationalizing teacher training such as increasing education abroad opportunities for Teacher Education majors; bringing Fulbright visitors on teacher and administrative cultural exchanges which provides NC teachers and students with engagement opportunities; programming to structure intentional interaction,

dialogue, and cultural sharing between U.S. teacher education majors and international students.

- Collaboration with the faculty-development focused Hubbard Center in building a comprehensive database to identify faculty with international expertise and experiences for use in curriculum innovations and outreach programs. This will also help integrate ASU's international faculty and visiting scholars in more intentional ways on our campus and in the local community.
- Developing workshops for ASU School Partnership County teachers and education majors on ways to integrate universes of culture, international students/study abroad returnees to expand the opportunities for public K-12 teachers to address their cultural and global studies requirements within the NC Standards of Learning.
- Assisting a faculty and staff committee with developing international student recruitment strategies, including the identification of academic and support services required for attracting and retaining international students.
- Obtaining grant monies to further expand the wide range of outreach possibilities with the continuing goal of internationalizing our campus and local community.

Join ASU in welcoming Sarah to Boone and to the international education community of North Carolina.



GREAT DECISIONS: A FORUM ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, NATIONAL SECURITY AND U.S. FOREIGN POLICY

Beginning on January 19, 2008 and running eight consecutive Saturday mornings, ECU will host the Foreign Policy Association's Great Decisions Program which is co-sponsored by the World Affairs Council of Eastern North Carolina.

The Great Decisions program is the largest and oldest grass roots world affairs educational program of its kind. Begun in 1954, it is the flagship program of the Foreign Policy Association, a non-partisan, nongovernmental organization. A series of lectures by experts on topics of global significance are presented, which for 2008 are: Iraq End-game, European Union at 50, Talking to Our Enemies, Russia, US Defense and Security Policy, Latin America: Shift to the Left?, US-China Trade Policy, Private Philanthropy.

The briefing book for Great Decisions features thought-provoking analyses on the issues to be discussed and also



provides historical background, current U.S. policy and alternative policy options, informative maps and detailed graphs, suggested readings and resources, and opinion ballots for each topic.

Opinion ballots are tabulated and the results presented in the *National Opinion Ballot Report*, a representative survey of readers' views on the eight **Great Decisions** topics. The Report is made available to members of Congress, the White House, the media, concerned citizens and our readers.

For further information on the program, contact:
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WSSU WORKING TO GLOBALIZE THE CURRICULUM

The Office of International Programs has secured a five-year, \$540,000 Title III grant to globalize the curriculum and the campus at Winston-Salem State University. The grant covers the period 2007-2012. The plan for the initiative involves curriculum globalization,

An important component of our Ralph Bunche Society is community service and faculty mentoring; however, we wish to expand service and mentoring beyond the 35-student and 12-faculty organization by reaching out to the entire campus. The curricular component of the grant initiative will involve incentives to faculty members who internationalize their

stepped-up study abroad programming, increased enrollment of exchange and degree-seeking international students, and revamped/coordinated faculty mentoring and student outreach/service. The goal is to ensure that international education permeates every aspect of campus life year round. courses. The grant would further the University's efforts to institutionalize policies for preparing students for the global society through a University-wide faculty discussion on various issues, including the critical role of foreign languages. Soon to be added to the curriculum is Kiswahili which, with Chinese, would constitute WSSU's non-Western language offerings.



INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS AT ELIZABETH CITY STATE UNIVERSITY

International Programs at Elizabeth City State University as a whole have an emerging international presence in specific areas.

Under the African Studies Program started five years ago, **Dr. Johnny Houston** received two USAID grants to design and develop textbooks in French and English with partners in Senegal.

Dr. Linda Hayden, through her leadership of the Center for Remote Sensing Education and Research (CERSER) developed several international partnerships in Remote Sensing Research to develop models and technology to arrive a better understanding of the mass balance of polar ice sheets.

Also, **Dr. Ephraim Gwebu**, was successful in receiving a NIH international research project with three universities in South Africa.

Several Faculty Mentors work with the students in the Global Leadership Academy in order to enhance students' international leadership ability and serve as role models to encourage the students to develop an appreciation of international issues and discussions.

Academic year 2007-2008 has been a busy and fulfilling year with a variety of international activities; parade of international flags; publication of TMLP textbooks translated in French and English; and plans for expansion of international collaborations in student leadership or faculty research. There were conversations regarding internationalization across the curriculum; financial aid needs for study abroad scholarships; importance of globalization integrated within the fabric of ECSU's mission and goals; engagement of UNC's international partnerships to strengthen economic development initiatives; and the eminence of the

development in creative international programming through on-line modules, videoconferencing and other technology initiatives.

During the 2007-2008 academic year, the Office of International Programs has been involved in the following specific activities:

- Continued Senegal collaborations for the development and publication of textbooks
- Observed the African Introspection Week at ECSU (September 23-28) with activities promoting global citizenship and leadership. As a guest lecturer, **His Excellency Antonio Manuel Mascarenhas Monteiro**, Former President of Cape Verde, participated and spoke on issues such as "The Obstacles of Leadership and Prospective for the Future" for the ECSU Global Leadership Academy and "Building a Democracy of Citizenship" for the Chancellor's Distinguished International Lecture series.
- Observed International and American Education Week from November 12-16, 2007 with a series of events promoting the following theme: Fostering Global Citizenship and Respect, Teaching Our Children to be Responsible and Respectful World Citizens. The activities included assemblies, faculty/student forums, displays, exhibits, and an international dinner with entertainment. **The Honorable Claudia Groome-Duke**, Secretary of Education, Youth Affairs and Sports from the Tobago, West Indies served as a distinguished visiting international lecturer. **Dr. Winston Murray**, President and Founder of Tobago Community College, also participated in the discussions.

NC STATE UNIVERSITY

GLOBAL TRAINING INITIATIVE INTRODUCED

India's emergence as a growing economic force in the global marketplace has garnered significant attention in the last few years. One of the reasons for this is India's strong educational system in science, technology, engineering and mathematic (STEM) disciplines.

The NC State Indian Advisory Group is carving a path to engage in academic collaborations with these institutions both for the exchange of students and faculty research. This also enables the continued strengthening of the pipeline for excellent Indian graduate students to come to NCSU.

Relationships with institutions in India also offer unique opportunities for NC State. As the search for talent has become global, our students must have innumerable opportunities to gain valuable cross-cultural educational experiences such as participating in the outsourcing of R&D, understanding India's dynamic educational system, learning of its ancient and multi-lingual cultures, and appreciating the social challenges of an emerging global economy. Similarly, NC State faculty will have the opportunity to gain international experience by working with partner institutions, developing new courses, delivering guest lectures, and pursuing joint research projects. NC State can also make further use of its language and culture connections through the NC Center for South Asian Studies—one of the leading Title VI Centers for South Asia in the U.S.

On November 28, **Dr. John Gilligan**, Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Studies, and **Dr. Bailian Li**, Vice-Provost for International Affairs, led a delegation to India that included representation from several colleges: **Dr. Viney Aneja** (PAMS); **Dr. Prema Arasu** (Graduate School and CVM); **Dr. Vivek Fellner** (CALs); **Dr. Abhinav Gupta** (COE); **Dr. Jay Narayan** (COE); and **Dr. Ratna Sharma** (CALs). Also accompanying the delegation were **Mr. Brian Koehler**, undergraduate programs coordinator in COE, and **Ms. Aranzazu Lascurain**, International Programs Coordinator for the India Initiative.

The delegation hopes to further identify specific components of memoranda of understanding that have recently been signed with select institutions in India. The delegation also serves as a follow-up opportunity to the Chancellor's successful trip to India with Undersecretary of State, Karen Highs, in April 2007. Among the academic and research institutions on the delegation schedule are the IIT-Delhi and IIT-Kanpur, Ansal Institute, Dehradun Institute of Technology, The Ministry of Agriculture, the Indian Council on Agricultural Research, The U.S. Embassy in Delhi, and the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre in Mumbai.

Early next year, **Dr. Ross Bassett**, professor in history, who studies the Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), will be going to India to investigate logistics for a possible summer study abroad program focusing on science, technology, language and culture.



CHANCELLOR VISITS SOUTH AFRICA



In late June 2007 **Chancellor Philip Dubois** and **Lisa Lewis Dubois** accompanied **Joël Gallegos**, Executive Director of the Office of International Programs, to South Africa. The goal of the visit was to begin forging institutional partnerships with some of the best

Philip Dubois universities in South Africa. "UNC Charlotte needs to be represented institutionally on the continent of Africa and developing these strategic partnerships is a great beginning for us," explains Gallegos. "We hope that these relationships will result in student and faculty exchange as well as possible research collaborations."

While in South Africa, Chancellor Dubois met with senior officials from the University of Cape Town, Stellenbosch University, and the University of the Western Cape to identify potential areas of mutual interests.

Associate Professor of Sociology and former Fulbright Scholar at the University of Western Cape, **Dr. Judy Aulette**, was in South Africa at the time of this visit. Aulette participated in meetings to discuss a possible summer education abroad program to be launched in 2009 as well as collaboration with the Women's Studies program.

"We hope to see great enthusiasm on campus for this initiative. There are wonderful opportunities for our students and faculty at each of the institutions visited," said Chancellor Dubois. "South Africa is a beautiful and fascinating country and we would be fortunate to count these institutions among our international partnerships."

For more information about this initiative, please contact Joël Gallegos at 704-687-7755 or jagalleg@unc.edu.

NORTH CAROLINA
SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

DESTINATION SINGAPORE, MUNICH, MUMBAI and POITIERS

Students in the School of Filmmaking are taking advantage of opportunities to participate in international filmmaking festivals. The **Next Reel International Film Festival**, a bi-annual international student film festival sponsored and hosted by the Tisch School of Arts at New York University, was held this year at NYU's new campus in Singapore during October.

Two NCSA student films were selected for competition: *Red Autumn*, a 15 minute drama by **Muhammad Elsherif** about an aging drug dealer who attempts to gain redemption from the innocence of a little girl.



Scene from *Kilroy*

Charles Boyles directed *Kilroy Was Here*, a short drama about an American pilot in France during WWII who escapes Nazi detection from his parachute tangled in a tree to be discovered by a group of orphaned children. This festival is a terrific

opportunity to meet and network with other film school faculty, staff and students, discuss film school best practices, and view the work of young filmmakers from around the world.

The Munich International Festival of Film Schools has convened every October for the past 27 years. NCSA has participated in this festival for the past 3 years where student work is screened to our peers in international film education. In 2005, student director, Karrie Crouse, received an all expense paid trip to the Munich Festival and was voted one of the top three young directors to watch.

For the past two years, the School of Filmmaking has earned internship grants from the **Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences** to help fund NCSA student internship studies. This year two students used their grant to study filmmaking and culture in India. Joe Benavides studied Cinematography in "Bollywood" **Mumbai, India** through a University of California sponsored program. Setu Raval researched a documentary she is working on in **India**

Rencontres Henri Langlois Film School Festival in Poitiers, France is the oldest international film school festival. This is the first year NCSA students have competed with one NCSA student film, *Sparks*, by Andre Ford, selected for the December competition. Only three other films from the U.S. were selected.



SCHOLARS AT RISK

UNCG one of two N.C. universities to join network

It's all too easy to forget that the rights Americans enjoy – including rights to free speech and academic freedom – don't always exist in other nations.

UNCG is lending support to the cause of academic freedom worldwide by joining Scholars at Risk, an international network that provides a safe haven for intellectuals fleeing oppression in their homelands.

"I see academic freedom as a basic human right," said Dr. Jerry Pubantz, professor of political science, who suggested the university join SAR. "If you can't exercise it, that's a real loss, and a real violation of rights."

SAR, based at New York University, arranges speaking engagements and visiting professorships for endangered

scholars, and helps to inform students, faculty and the public about academic rights violations. Many of the scholars helped through SAR face all-too-real threats to their lives and the lives of members.

UNCG and Duke University are the only North Carolina universities to join SAR so far. Pubantz is working with university administrators and fellow faculty to build an organizational framework for the program. He foresees starting with a speaker series featuring SAR scholars that would eventually grow into visiting professorships.

Pubantz expects to encounter scholars primarily from sub-Saharan Africa, the Middle East and Asia. "Not probably since the 1940s and '50s have academic scholars in such numbers had to flee their countries, or not been able to do their work or enjoy academic freedom," he said. "It would be great for our students to learn from these scholars."



UNCP WELCOMES FULBRIGHT SCHOLAR FROM SOUTH AFRICA

From Cape Town, South Africa and the University of the Western Cape, Dr. Chisepo J. J. Mphaisha comes to The University of North Carolina at Pembroke as an international Fulbright Scholar in Residence.

During the fall semester, Dr. Mphaisha is teaching introductory political science to some of the University's newest students. Next semester, he will teach a course in comparative political systems some of the University's most advanced students.

Dr. Robert Schneider, UNCP's associate vice chancellor for International Programs, stressed the value of Dr. Mphaisha's year as scholar in residence at UNCP. "His scholarship on administrative reform in South Africa is widely known and he has a remarkable reputation in his field. Most importantly, he will bring to our students a truly valuable perspective on the historic and critically important changes and challenges associated with the South African experience. The presence

of such distinguished international faculty is a critical part of our effort to create a truly international learning environment on campus and to prepare students for success in the twenty-first century."

As a product of the South African Apartheid system that ended in 1994, Dr. Mphaisha was educated outside his native country in Zambia and the U.S. He earned a Ph.D. in 1979 from the University of Pittsburgh and is expert in wide-ranging fields of public administration, including policy management for local governments.

"Before 1994, the Apartheid system delivered services according to race," Dr. Mphaisha said. "The government did not have much pressure to distribute services to the entire population. Now, the government is taking on many more demands for services," he said. "Law and order was the focus of the Apartheid government, and now the challenge is beginning to meet the basic needs of all the people."



INTERNATIONALIZING WILMINGTON

UNCW has made impressive strides in its mission to internationalize the campus. These activities involve students and faculty in Cameron School of Business, the College of Arts and Sciences, the School of Nursing, and Watson School of Education, as well as the Wilmington community.

Numerous professors at UNCW are engaged in international research endeavors. **Dr. Martin H. Posey**, Professor and Chair of the Department of Biology and Marine Biology, is one of three invited keynote speakers at a forum, sponsored by Kyushu University, on the decline of Ariake Bay, Japan and efforts to rehabilitate oyster populations in that region. **Dr. Susan Bullers**, Director of the Women's Studies and Resource Center, participated in a three-week CIEE Gender and International Development seminar in India in July 2007. The seminar participants toured several cities and villages in Northern India, attending lectures, seminars, and NGO events concerning women's political, economic and social status in contemporary India. Two faculty members from UNCW's Watson School of Education, **Dr. Richard Huber** and **Dr. Catherine Nesbit**, published essays in a collection, *Scientific Literacy: A New Synthesis*, edited by Dr. Paul Webb, a colleague from Nelson Mandela Metropolitan University (NMMU) in South Africa, a product of ongoing collaborative research among faculty at UNCW and NMMU.

Several curricular initiatives and a new scholarship have created exchange opportunities for students and faculty.

Recently, ten students from the School of Nursing spent three weeks in Arequipa, Peru, as part of their clinical practicum in community health and adult health nursing where they assisted with providing health care to members of Father Alex Busutil's health and human service mission.

In a continuing effort to diversify foreign language offerings at UNCW, the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures introduced elementary-level courses in Mandarin Chinese and Arabic in fall 2007.

The Cameron School of Business signed a memorandum of understanding in March 2006 with Marmara University in Istanbul, Turkey to initiate student and faculty exchanges. In 2006-07 two students participated in the exchange, this year there are three. Two professors from Marmara University are in residence in Cameron School of Business this fall to participate in collaborative research. **Professor Ismail Armutlulu** specializes in forecasting, statistical estimation, data reduction in statistical inference, and applications of fuzzy mathematics in business administration. **Professor İbrahim Anil** is currently working on theoretical frameworks of foreign direct investment and organizational theory.

The Office of International Programs also announced the creation of the **Stella Doran International Studies Award** a new study-abroad scholarship created by Mr. Edward Doran and Dr. Guy Doran in honor of their wife and mother, Stella, a woman who immensely enjoyed traveling and serving the

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community with compassion and generosity of spirit. The first recipient of the award, UNCW junior Amanda Case, is studying at the University of Stirling in Scotland in fall 2007.

UNCW's international initiatives also serve the Wilmington community. On September 20, 2007, over 800 students, faculty, staff, and members of the Wilmington community

attended the Choc Quib Town concert, sponsored by UNCW's Arts in Action series. Choc Quib Town is an Afro-Colombian hip-hop group that incorporates rap, funk and traditional rhythms with rap. In addition to the concert, during their visit to campus, members of the group met with students, gave workshops, participated in panel discussions, and visited area grade school students.



WCU and UNC-CH Collaborate on the Humphrey Fellows Associate Campus Partnership Program

This year, the Institute of International Education (IIE) introduced a new program, the Associate Campus Partnership Program, in conjunction with the Humphrey Fellowship Program to extend the influence of the Fellows from the research institution, from which they receive their training, to a smaller, less urban university within the state system. The proposal submitted by UNC-Chapel Hill and Western Carolina University's Department of Political Science and Public Affairs and Office of International Programs and Services was selected by IIE for funding. The Humphrey Fellows are mid-career professionals from South America, Central Europe, Africa and Asia who are nominated by U.S. Embassies or Fulbright Commissions based on their potential for national leadership and a demonstrated commitment to public service. UNC-Chapel Hill is hosting twelve Fellows this year for leadership development training, professional internships, and graduate classes in the College of Arts and Sciences, the Kenan-Flagler Business School and the schools of Government, Law and Public Health.

The joint project involves three groups comprised of one or two Fellows, WCU students, one WCU faculty member, and a community agency who will work collaboratively to identify and help solve civic/social problems involving Western Carolina University and surrounding communities. Seven Fellows have committed to work on the three project themes of Economic Development, Environmental Management, and Health and Health Services.

During a recent visit to the WCU campus, the Fellows met with interested faculty, staff, community representatives and students, to discuss the project. They also became aware of the environmental, social, economic and health issues in

western North Carolina by visiting local community agencies, such as the Jackson County Green Energy Park, the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Planning and Development Commission, EBCI Health Operations Division, and the EBCI Office of Environment and Natural Resources. The Fellows will make three more visits to Western Carolina University and further communicate with their groups through Video-conferencing.

Participating Fellows include **Ms Gulru Azamova** from Tajikistan, Senior Training Specialist at the Urban Institute Tajikistan USAID Local Government Development Project; **Mr. Bakari Bakari** from Tanzania, Information Systems Manager, Medical Stores Department, Ministry of Health; **Mr. Sher Baktygulov** from Kyrgyzstan, Program Specialist, United Nations Development Program – Democratic Governance; **Ms Alicia Guzman** from Ecuador, Country Manager, Venture Co Worldwide Limited; **Ms Joyce Ndugo** from Kenya, Programme Officer & Editor, Association of Local Government Authorities of Kenya; **Mr. Rajneesh** from India, Deputy Commissioner, Government of Himachal Pradesh; and **Mr. Ngayong Joseph Wirngo** from Cameroon, National Coordinator of the Fight against Corruption through Schools Project.

Project Directors are **Ms Elizabeth Gorsuch**, Executive Director of the Humphreys Fellows Program at UNC-Chapel Hill and **Ms Vickey Wade**, Director of the Local Government Training Program in the Department of Political Science and Public Affairs at Western Carolina University. Project Associates are **Dr. Chris Cooper**, Director of the Masters in Public Administration in the WCU Department of Political Science and Public Affairs and **Dr. Lois Petrovich-Mwaniki**, Director of International Programs and Services at WCU.

NEW PROGRAM IN QUEBEC POISED TO START IN 2008



UNC EP is shepherding an Agreement for Student Exchange between UNC and the Conference of Rectors and Principals of Quebec Universities (CREPUQ), representing 15 Quebec schools.

UNC EP Director, Madge Hubbard, will be providing details to the UNC EP coordinators to share with students.

The CREPUQ agreement is seen as a good alternative for a French immersion experience for students who wish to stay closer to home, and also represents an economical alternative to traveling to France. Exchanges are expected to begin in Fall 2008.



NOTES FROM GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

► Several of our system partners have visited recently. In June **Minister Peter Frankenberg** of the Ministry of Science, Research and the Arts, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany (the inaugural state-to-state partner for UNC) and **Bengt Streijffert**, Head of the Oresund University Secretariat (Sweden and Denmark university consortium) were here; **Ines Busch** of the Ministry of Science, Research and the Arts, Baden-Wurttemberg, Germany spent a month-long internship with GA and visited several Campuses during August and September to learn more about UNC governance. In October **William McGaw**, Pro-Vice Chancellor (International) of Macquarie University in Sydney, Australia, a guest of UNC EP, visited GA and several campuses. Other distinguished guests included **His Excellency Patrick Nandago**, Ambassador of the Republic of Namibia to the U.S. in June. In October UNC GA received an eight-member **Swedish University Delegation Study Tour** examining leadership development activities in the U.S., **Masachika Suzuki**, Chairman of the Board of Directors at Shizuoka University in Japan, and **Rector Mohammad Asghar** with **Dr. Arshad Ali** of the National University of Science and Technology in Pakistan. All of our visitors expressed interest in expanding or initiating partnership activities to include collaborative research.

► **Russell Warriner** is the new program officer for the Fudan University-UNC Liaison Office at Fudan University in conjunction with his duties for ASU with the Holland Fellows program. His email address is: rdwarriner@gmail.com.

► The North Carolina Center for International Understanding (CCIU) has a new program officer to replace **Marty Babcock** who, after years of dedicated service to international education, retired at the end of August. **Meredith Henderson**, who has been with the Center for several years, is the new Director of Programs.

CALENDAR



2008

February 8 UCIP Quarterly Meeting, UNC-CH, Fed-Ex Global Center. Contact Bonnie Derr, 919-843-5030.

February 27-21 AIEA Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. Visit: <http://www.aieaworld.org>

March 6-7, NCAIE Annual Conference, UNCW, Wilmington, NC. Contact Brad Sekulich, Chair NCAIE Board, Sekulich@uncc.edu

March 10-11, NAFSA 2008 Washington Symposium, Washington Plaza Hotel.

Visit: http://www.nafsa.org/events.sec/seminars_symposia/programs_for_leaders/washington_symposium

March 11-12, NAFSA Advocacy Day, Washington, D.C.

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