International Opportunities for Faculty Development and Leadership
2013-2014

The following professional development opportunities are available through the Wang Center. Please contact Megan Grover (megan.grover@plu.edu or ext. 8754) if you are interested in any of these. The professional development and study/travel programs noted below are typically available at reasonable rates; some may qualify for Wang Center grants, Regency Advancement Awards, or other university funding. Please note that the application process is different for each opportunity, and approvals from your Department Chair/Dean are usually required.

Opportunities through the Wang Center for Global Education:

Semester Program Site Director
There are several opportunities to serve as the faculty Site Director for a PLU Gateway program in Chengdu, China; Oaxaca, Mexico (Spanish language fluency required); and Trinidad and Tobago. Through the university’s involvement in the ILACA consortium, an opportunity also periodically exists in Granada, Spain (Spanish language fluency required). For any of these positions, approvals from your Department Chair and Dean are required.

As a Site Director, faculty typically teach one course, facilitate the “living & learning” requirement, serve as the local liaison with the Program Director, and help guide students through their educational and co-curricular experiences. Site Directors receive their regular PLU salary. Appointments are generally made a year or more in advance of the assignment start date. Contact Tanya Ulsted at ulstedtj@plu.edu for application information.

Short-Term Off-Campus Course Leader
Each year, PLU sends approximately 300 students, and their faculty leaders, to learn all over the world on short-term courses. While most programs occur during January (J-Term), summer session programs are also an option. J-Term course proposals are typically due 15 months in advance of the course being offered; for example, faculty should submit their 2015 & 2016 proposals to their Chair/Dean, and Deans should submit all approved proposals to the Wang Center by November 1, 2013. New course/Site Development Grants of $2,500 are available through the Wang Center. New proposals are also encouraged. Faculty typically teach one course, facilitate the “living & learning” requirement, serve as the local liaison with the Program Director, and help guide students through their educational and co-curricular experiences. Site Directors receive their regular PLU salary. Appointments are generally made a year or more in advance of the assignment start date. Contact Tanya Ulsted at ulstedtj@plu.edu for application information.

Short-Term Off-Campus Program Assistant
Faculty who are considering a proposal for an off-campus course, but have no prior experience leading one, are encouraged to apply to serve as a J-Term Program Assistant. Selected J-Term Program Assistants will be appropriately matched with experienced faculty leaders. Priority for this opportunity is given to faculty in tenured and tenure-track positions. Department Chairs and Deans must approve the Program Assistant appointment.

Faculty who serve as J-Term Program Assistants do not receive course teaching credit for the experience, but they do receive their regular, contracted compensation for the month of January and coverage of course-related travel expenses.

Wang Center Research Grants
Each year the Wang Center, in collaboration with the Global Education Committee, awards a number of grants to support faculty international research, collaborative faculty/student research, and student research by experienced travelers. The application deadline for 2014-2015 awards is March 31, 2014. For more information, please visit the Wang Center website: http://www.plu.edu/wang-center/Faculty-Staff-Opportunities/Research-GrantProjects/home.php.

Returner Reflection Series, Facilitator
Each semester, students who are returning from study away are offered the opportunity to participate in the Returner Reflections Series, a collaborative project of the Wang Center and the Wild Hope Project. Two sessions are offered each semester and each session is co-facilitated by PLU faculty and staff members. For more information, please contact Carmen Eyssautier (eyssaucj@plu.edu or ext. 8178).
Opportunities through international education organizations:

To apply for any of these programs/seminars, please contact Megan Grover (megan.grover@plu.edu or ext. 8754).

CIEE – www.ciee.org
Considered one of the leading U.S. non-governmental international education organizations for over 50 years, CIEE creates and administers programs that allow high school students, university students, and educators to study, volunteer, work and teach abroad. PLU has been a member institution of CIEE since 2005.

- **International Faculty Development Seminars** – CIEE annually offers multiple seminars to all parts of the world. Each seminar has a theme, which provides an interdisciplinary focus that offers a contemporary, global perspective. These opportunities bring together U.S. faculty, international faculty, and local experts for an intellectual exchange of ideas. The listing of 2014 seminars may be found at: www.ciee.org/ifds.

IES Abroad – www.iesabroad.org
IES Abroad is a non-profit consortium which has offered study abroad experiences for over 50 years. PLU has belonged to the IES Abroad consortium for decades.

- **Faculty Development Seminars** – In 2013-2014, IES Abroad will offer several distinct faculty seminars for consortium members. To learn more, please visit the IES Abroad website at: https://www.iesabroad.org/IES/Advisors_and_Faculty/Faculty_Development/Familiarization_Trips/facultySiteVisits.html
- **Site Visits** – IES Abroad welcomes faculty and staff for short visits (1-2 days) at their Study Centers around the world. The visits provide an opportunity to meet Center staff, view the facilities and observe classes to gain a better understanding of the Center, its team and the way it operates. Small grants are available and are usually used in conjunction with an individual already being in country, e.g. conducting research, presenting a paper, attending a conference, etc. If you are planning to make a Site Visit, please notify Megan Grover (an IES Abroad Visit Request Form is required).

School for Field Studies – www.fieldstudies.org
Since 1980, The School for Field Studies (SFS) has been teaching students to address critical environmental problems using an interdisciplinary, experiential approach to education. Students on SFS programs study at research stations in Costa Rica, Turks and Caicos, Australia, New Zealand, Panama and Bhutan examining the interdependent cultural, economic, and ecological aspects of real-world problems.

- **Visiting Research Program** – SFS welcomes visiting faculty to teach or conduct research at any of their field stations. No salary is paid, but support for room and board and/or use of facilities may be offered in exchange for research collaboration or guest lecturing.

Other Opportunities:

- **DIS (Copenhagen, Denmark)** – As a Partner Institution of DIS, PLU faculty are invited to apply to teach an upper division 3-credit course for a semester at DIS in Copenhagen.
- **Fulbright Awards** – For information regarding Fulbright teaching/research awards, please contact Jan Lewis, Associate Provost (lewisjp@plu.edu or ext. 7283)

*Remember, encourage your advisees and students in your classes to consider their opportunities to study away. The Wang Center is available to assist students with program selection and offer financial resources, like the Global Scholar Award.

Please discuss your international interests with the Wang Center so that we can inform you of any upcoming opportunities!