



AGENDA

APRIL 24, 2009

8:30 A.M. Check-In & Continental Breakfast
(Event Center)

9:00 A.M. Welcome, State & Legislative Updates
(Training Room C, Event Center)
Amy Pennington, Arkansas Tech University, State NAFSA Liaison
Takeo Suzuki, University of Arkansas-Fort Smith, State Whip

9:30 A.M. Travel and Visa Applications: The Basics and the Latest
(Training Room C, Event Center)
The laws, regulations, policies and procedures governing visa eligibility and admissibility to the U.S. seem in a state of flux. So, how do we give our students and scholars the information they need to assess the risks associated with leaving and re-entering the U.S.? How do we inform them about what to expect in a visa application process? This session will provide a review of the basics and address some important recent developments.
Steve Springer, Associate Attorney, David Ware and Associates

10:30 A.M. Break

10:45 A.M. Travel and Visa Applications: The Basics and the Latest (Continued)

11:30 A.M. Region III Update
(Training Room C, Event Center)
Amy Pennington, Arkansas Tech University, State NAFSA Liaison

12:00 P.M. Lunch
(Dining Room, Event Center)



Lake Point at Arkansas Tech University

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- 1:00 P.M. *Session 1:* TB or Not TB
(Training Room C, Event Center)
Panelists from the Arkansas Department of Health will discuss a variety of special topics related to state regulations requiring all international students to receive tests for Tuberculosis upon their arrival to the U.S. Topics discussed will include the general guidelines for TB testing, routine workup involved with a student who has a positive TB skin test, latent TB versus active cases and the stigma associated with a positive TB test in certain ethnic groups.
Virginia Wilbanks, RN, Clinic Coordinator, Pope County Health Department
Pam Sellers, Administrator, Pope County Health Department
Brandi Stricklin, RN, Communicable Disease Nurse Specialist, Northwest Region Arkansas Department of Health
Lois Lasater, RN, Communicable Disease Nurse Specialist, Northwest Region Arkansas Department of Health
- 1:00 P.M. *Session 2:* Education Abroad Roundtable
(Training Room A, Business Services)
An opportunity for education abroad professionals to meet and discuss current trends and issues, specifically pre-departure for students going abroad.
Laura Moix, University of Arkansas, Faculty Led and Exchange Coordinator
Aleshia Sokoloski, University of Arkansas, Study Abroad Advisor
- 1:00 P.M. *Session 3:* Intensive English Programs Roundtable
(Training Room B, Guest House)
An opportunity for IEP professionals to meet and discuss current trends and issues. All areas of IEP are open for discussion. This session is appropriate for IEP faculty and administrators.
Donna Ogle, Arkansas Tech University, English Language Institute Coordinator
- 2:00 P.M. Unauthorized Alien Students: Issues and DREAM Act Legislation
(Training Room C, Event Center)
This presentation will focus on the issues that unauthorized alien students are facing in terms of immigration law and the overall impact on the United States. A legislative update will be provided covering local and national topics including possible new legislation for 2009 and the DREAM Act. Information will also be provided on available pathways for legal students as well as illegal aliens to become permanent residents in the U.S.
Guillermo Hernandez, Lead Immigration Counsel, The Hernandez Law Firm
- 3:00 P.M. Student Leadership Conference Report
(Training Room C, Event Center)
Allyson Hughes, University of Arkansas-Little Rock, Leadership Conference Committee
Takeo Suzuki, University of Arkansas-Fort Smith, Leadership Conference Committee
- 3:30 P.M. Announcements and Conclusions (Training Room C, Event Center)