

The ACES Global Academy

The College of ACES has a rich history of international programming dating more than half a century. With the creation of the new College of ACES in 1996 came a promise to reinvigorate and update our international activities, and ACES Global Connect sprang to life in 2002 as the vehicle to achieve these goals.

The Academy was formed to increase the number of ACES faculty that are globally engaged through an intense, year-long experience designed to elevate the status of the global mission of the college and expose early to mid-career faculty members to resources available that will encourage development of international programs both within their discipline and with others in the college.

The Academy will familiarize participants with campus, state, national and international resources available to facilitate global engagement, will generate discussion of globalization and its implications for the College and will create a team-building environment to allow group members to meld interests as they contribute to the program.

For more information on the 2007-2008
ACES Global Academy:

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The 2007-2008 Academy Class

The 2007-2008 Academy Class included one faculty member from each of the seven departments in ACES, and one member from University of Illinois Extension. The members, all early in their professional career, melded their interests ranging from greenhouse production to meat sciences into a cohe-



sive group that took their experiences in the Academy to a 10-day immersion trip to the European Union in September, 2007. The group focused on Bioenergy and the emerging need for a bioenergy curriculum, and not only visited with colleagues in research and education in Europe, but coordinated an international conference with bioenergy industry representatives to learn more about issues facing their industry.

The 2007-2008 Class includes (l-r): John Killefer, Animal Sciences; Vijay Singh, Agricultural and Biological Engineering; Daniel Warnock, Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences; Martin Bohn, Crop Sciences; Graciela Padua, Food Science and Human Nutrition; Bryan Endres, Agricultural Economics, George Czapar, University of Illinois Extension; and Neil Knobloch, Human and Community Development.

Academy Structure

ACES Global Academy Scholars are expected to participate in all Academy activities during the year. Participants are not expected to have global experience, but a desire to gain it. Scholar candidates should consult with their Department Head or Extension Center Director in advance of applying.

ACES Global Academy Fellows are an honorary group of faculty selected in recognition of their exemplary international work. Fellows serve as scholar mentors and assist in formulating the Academy design.

Academy Goals

- To increase the number of faculty who participate regularly in global activities
- To heighten global awareness and discourse generally in the College of ACES
- To elevate the status of our global mission within the college
- To take full advantage of campus resources in international programming
- To capitalize on opportunities to leverage external resources and partnerships.

Applying to be an ACES Academy Scholar

Fill out a one-page application available from your department head or Campus Extension Office or online at www.global.aces.uiuc.edu and return to the ACES Global Connect office at 211 Mumford Hall before December 15, 2007. Interviews will be scheduled January 8-9, 2008. Applications must also be accompanied by a schedule of class and other commitments during the 2008-2009 year.

Scholars will be selected on basis of application materials, interviews, and consultation with Department Heads.

2008-2009 Schedule:

November 15-December 15: Applications for 2008-2009 Class Available

January 17-18, 2008: Interviews

January 22, 2008: Announcement of Class

February 1, 2008: 1st Scholar Meeting

March 3-6, 2008: Scholar Trip to Washington, D.C.

April 21-22, 2008: Scholar Trip to Chicago

Sept.—Oct., 2008: Immersion Trip (10-day trip to be determined)

Bimonthly meetings will be also scheduled between February—May, and August-December according to scholar class schedules.

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