

Faculty- International Developed Projects

June 2018 Seoul, Republic of Korea

Dr. Caren Frost and faculty from the Asia Center and the MIAGE program visited South Korea to work with faculty at SKKU. This interdisciplinary team of five faculty and three graduate students from the U of Utah (including Kwynn Gonzalez-Pons) conducted research on policies linked to refugee and immigrants as well as interviews with labor and marriage migrants. This program was funded through a grant from the Korea Foundation.

May 2018 Mae Sot, Thailand

Dr. Rosemarie Hunter, Dr. Mary Beth Vogel-Ferguson and Dr. Aster Tecele, Garroe Wah, along with students and community partners conducted intensive workshops in refugee camps on the Thai/Burma (Myanmar) border. The Bridging Borders program is a partnership with the International Rescue Committee/Thailand, the interdisciplinary team of faculty, students and community partners focused on community-identified topics including mental health, occupational therapy, trauma and resiliency, and asset-based models of community and organizational practice.

March 2018 Entebbe, Uganda

Dr. Rosemarie Hunter, Dr. Robert Kagabo, Kimberly Schmit and colleagues from the Department of Psychiatry conducted a beginning field study project to Arua, Uganda visiting the Rhino Refugee camp and meeting with colleagues from MUNI University and community-based partners. This was also a time to meet with CSW case management students and alum who live in the area and serve Rhino and Bidi Bidi refugee communities.

March 2018, Kumasi, Ghana

Dr. Jason Castillo, and nine Learning Abroad students visited faculty at Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology and service agencies in Kumasi

October 2017 Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Professor Jerry Buie visited and presented at the National University of Mongolia and the Police Academy of Mongolia with nine students on a Social Work Learning Abroad Program.

August 2017 – Caribbean

Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-Mckane along with three other members of SWEAP (social work educational assessment project) is generating research for implementing assessment instruments of curriculum and field education in the Caribbean

July 2017 – Beira, Mozambique

Dr. Patrick Panos returned to Beira, Mozambique to complete a longitudinal study of Care for Life in collaboration with colleagues Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-Mckane and Dr. Angelea Panos

July 2017 Seoul, Korea

Dr. Jaehee published a Korean version of the PSST (problem solving skill training) program last year and this trip involved developing a research project examining the program's effectiveness in the community.

October 2016 Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Professor Jerry Buie visited the National University of Mongolia, worked with the Chief of Police and the Police Academy of Mongolia.

December 2016 Bangkok, Thailand

Dr. Aster Tecele visited urban refugees in Bangkok. She conducted research by identify the reasons for the increase of urban refugees in Bangkok from the target groups and to develop a comprehensive service delivery and advocacy response supporting these distinct populations of urban refugees and asylum seekers from Somali and Paki.

December 2016 Bangkok, Thailand

Dr. Rosemarie Hunter & Dr. Mary Beth Vogel Ferguson visited Thai/Burma Border Project to provide training to case managers at Jesuit Refugee Services in requested areas such as interviewing skills, writing/analysis skills for assessment, and building casework action plans. Training and assisting for community assessment.

November 2016 Bangkok, Thailand

Dr. Kara Byrne visited Thai/Burma Border Project to provide training to case managers at Jesuit Refugee Services in requested areas such as interviewing skills, writing/analysis skills for assessment, and building casework action plans. Training and assisting for community assessment.

November 2016 Marrakech, Morocco

Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane, Dr. Caren Frost & Professor Scott Sorensen gathered information on the needs assessment about what families/individuals would like to access for their continued care and developed a certificate or bachelor's degree on medical social work.

June 2016 Bangkok, Thailand

Mary Beth Vogel Ferguson and Dr. Lindsay Gezinski visited Thai/Burma Border Project and gathered information on understanding context, issues contributing to migration of unaccompanied women, minors, and families (refugees and asylum seekers)

March 2016, Kumasi, Ghana

Dr. Jason Castillo, Delva Hommes and 11 Learning Abroad students visited faculty at Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology and service agencies in Kumasi

August 2015 Ulaanbaatar Mongolia

Professor Jerry Buie, Scott Parker, and 5 students visited the National University of Mongolia and work with the Chief of Police from August 6-16, 2015 on a Learning Abroad Program.

June 2015 Burma/Thailand

Professor Trinh Mai and Dr. Rosey Hunter with a team of 8 people facilitated trainings in a refugee camp in Thailand. Dr. Rosey Hunter and Dr. Mary Beth Vogel-Ferguson will continue on to Burma after to do community capacity building work.

June 2015 Oaxaca, Mexico

Dr. Christina Gringeri and Dr. Armando Solórzano accompanied 4 students on a Language Learning Abroad Program for 18 days.

May 2015 Wuhan, China

Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane and Dr. Norma Harris visited Wuhan University of Technology to collaborate with teaching and visiting exchange students.

March 2015 Incheon, Korea

Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane, Dr. Norma Harris, Professor Scott Sorensen, and Dr. Patrick Panos visited child protection agencies to follow up on collaborative discussions on the child welfare systems comparing South Korea and the United States.

March 2015 Seoul, Korea

Dr. Jaehee Yi visited Myung Ju University to collaborate and prepare a grant application to a Korean foundation using a cross-cultural research model.

February 2015 Incheon, Korea

Dr. Patrick Panos visited the SW Asian Campus to inaugurate the BSW Program.

November 2014 Oaxaca, Mexico

Dr. Christina Gringeri and Dr. Armando Solórzano visited to set up the study abroad program for summer 2015.

November 2014 Incheon, Korea

Dr. Scott Boyle, Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane, Dr. Norma Harris, and Lam Nguyen establish collaborative relationships with child protection agencies. They also attended a Child Welfare Conference as Norma was the keynote speaker.

October 2014 Skopje, Macedonia

Dr. Rosey Hunter and Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane attended the AUDEM Conference. Ruth, in conjunction with the Hinckley Institute of Politics, presented in the social and political factors impacting Global Stakeholders.

October 2014 Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Dr. Rob Butters and 8 students visited the National University of Mongolia and work with the Chief of Police in a Learning abroad program.

October 2014 Hanoi, Vietnam

Dr. Troy Andersen visited University of Social Sciences and Humanities to train on how to use the DSM-V training.

August/September 2014 Incheon, Korea

Dr. Patrick Panos provided a new student orientation and attended University of Utah Asia campus grand opening.

June/July 2014 Seoul, Korea

Dr. Angelea Panos, Dr. Norma Harris, Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane and Dr. Patrick Panos visited child welfare agencies and government officials.

May/June 2014 Oaxaca, Mexico

Dr. Christina Gringeri and Dr. Armando Solórzano accompanied 11 students on a Language Learning Abroad Program for 18 days.

May 2014 Beira, Mozambique

Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane conducted Longitudinal Research for the Care for Life Charitable Organization.

May 2014 Seoul, Korea

Dr. Jaehee Yi worked on the research project to data collection and TAM meetings and follow-up research planning on rethinking child maltreatment.

March 2014 Seoul, Korea

Dean Jannah Mather, Dr. Caren Frost, Dr. Mary Jane Taylor visited Songdo University on Social Work programs.

March 2014 Hanoi, Vietnam

Dean Jannah Mather, Dr. Caren Frost, Dr. Mary Jane Taylor visited University of Social Sciences and Humanities to meet on Social Work programs.

March 2014 Seoul, Korea

Dr. Patrick Panos and Dr. Angelea Panos attended the grand opening of our partner university, George Mason University Asia campus.

October 2013 Seoul, Korea

Dean Jannah Mather, Dr. Norma Harris, Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane, Professor Courtney McBeth, and Dr. Angelea Panos worked on curriculum and practicum developed at Songdo Global University.

October 2013 Frankfurt, Germany

Dr. Christina Gringeri conducted in person interviews with founder of social movement for a Nexus of Religion, Spirituality and Social Change research.

August 2013 Marrakech, Morocco

Dr. Caren Frost went to the University of Marrakesh to consider developing a social work project working with families when a family member has a traumatic brain injury and/or neurological issues.

June 2013 Seoul, Korea

Dr. Angelea Panos and Kara Mileski, a PhD student, worked on course accreditation between the U.S. and South Korea and met with South Korean social work officials.

May 2013 Mozambique, Africa

Dr. Patrick Panos, Dr. Angelea Panos, and Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane conducted an assessment of the Care-for-Life NGO based in Mozambique, in collaboration with the Universidade Pedagogica – Beira, Mozambique.

May 2013 Seoul, Korea

Jaehee Yi worked on cross-cultural study on psychosocial health of college students in Korea and China. She conducted qualitative interviews.

March 2013, Kumasi, Ghana

Dr. Caren Frost visited with faculty at Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology about developing a study abroad program in Kumasi, Ghana.

December 2012 Seoul, Korea

Dean Jannah Mather and Dr. Patrick Panos visited Songdo Global University to further develop the BSW Program.

October 2012 Kumasi, Ghana

Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane and Professor Scott Sorenson participated in ongoing research and collaborative discussion with faculty at Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology.

September 2012 Seoul, Korea

Dr. Ruth Gerritsen-McKane visited Songdo Global University to conduct a BSW Program feasibility study.

June 2012 Bangkok, Thailand

Dr. Rosemarie Hunter and Professor Trinh Mai collected field data for a study project and met with potential university partners. In collaboration with International Rescue Committee, they are training mental health and health care workers in refugee camps and communities along the Thai-Burma border.

April 2012 Seoul, Korea

Dr. Jaehee Yi worked on projects involving North Korean refugees and Chinese cancer survivors.

October 2011 Ghana, Africa

Dr. Joanna Bettmann Schaefer visited Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology to further research, faculty development, and student education processes.

August 2010 Kuttikkanam and Mumbai, India

Dr. Mary Jane Taylor visited Marian College in Kuttikkanam and Tata Institute of Social Sciences in Mumbai. Plans for collaborative research projects and enhancement of student exchanges were made.

June 2010 Guadalajara, Mexico

Dr. Christina Gringeri and Dr. Armando Solorzano met with faculty at the University of Guadalajara to discuss developing a study abroad program.

May 2010 Cuernavaca, Mexico

Dr. Christina Gringeri and Dr. Armando Solorzano met with faculty at the University of Cuernavaca to develop a study abroad program.

April 2010 Sofia, Bulgaria

Dr. Emma Gross visited the University of Sofia as part of a faculty exchange to develop collaborative research projects and future student exchanges.

March 2010 Gaborone, Botswana

Dr. Joanna Bettmann Schaefer visited the University of Botswana as part of a faculty exchange to develop collaborative research projects and enhance student exchange.

March 2010 Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia

Dr. Reiko Hayashi and Chanar Jigmeddorj conducted program evaluations at Mongolia State University of Education's Department of Social Work and established a working collaboration with the National Cancer Center.

November 2009 Prague, Czech Republic

Professor Helene Leta visited Professor Zuzana Havrdova and Masters of Social Service Management and Supervision students at Charles University to promote a student exchange.