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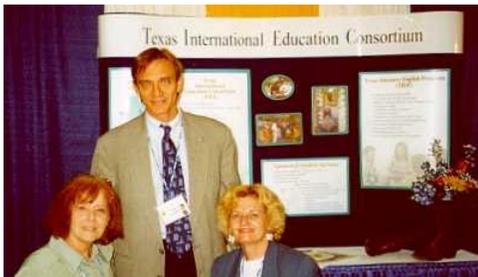
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## TIEC Participates in NAFSA Conference

Terry Simon and John Schmidt of the Texas Intensive English Program (TIEP), along with Sharon Pate and Gloria Bell of TIEC's Student Services, attended the NAFSA Association of International Educators Annual Conference in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on May 29 - June 1.



Left to right: Sharon Pate, John Schmidt, Gloria Bell

At the event, TIEC promoted its capabilities and services to the NAFSA attendees who typically include representatives from embassies, universities abroad and in the United States, and study abroad agencies.

### Program Development

TIEC President Nick Poulton and Executive Vice President Ronald Aqua visited The University of Texas at Arlington (UTA) on June 4 to explore several potential programs, one of which is the design of a "2+2" bridge program for engineering students in Saudi Arabia.

The new program would establish preparatory and academic transfer programs for recent Saudi high school graduates who are interested in beginning their engineering studies in Jeddah and then coming to Texas to complete their engineering degree.

The other item of discussion was the university's plan to host a fall workshop on the subject of international alliances and how such alliances might lead to more sponsored international graduate students and cooperative research.

## TIEC-Affiliated Universities

Each month TIEC highlights a different university to inform international readers of the programs available through one of TIEC's 32 affiliated universities. This month TIEC is pleased to feature Sam Houston State University (SHSU), located in Huntsville, Texas, about 70 miles north of Houston.

### Sam Houston State University

Home to the largest and one of the half dozen most prestigious criminal justice programs in the United States, with doctoral programs in criminal justice and clinical forensic psychology.

Recognition as having one of the top twenty-five dance programs in the United States.

Business program accredited by AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business).

Three graduate degree programs and three undergraduate majors through distance learning:

- Master of Arts in History
- Master of Science in Criminal Justice
- Master of Education in Reading
- Undergraduate Major in History
- Undergraduate Major in Criminal Justice
- Undergraduate Major in Victim Studies



## Texas Intensive English Program

The Texas Intensive English Program (TIEP) has upgraded its Computer Laboratory this summer with 15 networked iMac computers equipped with high-speed DSL Internet access, the Microsoft Office 2001 software suite, Internet Explorer 5.0, various ESL audio files, and language support for Korean, Japanese, Chinese, and Arabic, among other programs. TIEP students have access to the Computer Lab each weekday from 7:30 AM through 4:45 PM for homework assignments and for free e-mail and Internet access. In addition, the Computer Lab is frequently used by classes for research and writing projects, facilitated by the teacher from a central workstation. The Computer Lab is overseen and maintained by a full-time Technical Assistant with extensive computer skills.

### Recent Visitor to TIEC

TIEC received a visit from César Struve, Director of the International Relations Department at the Universidad del Pacifico in Quito, Ecuador, on May 23.

Struve was in Texas to establish contact with TIEC-affiliated universities interested in study abroad programs, with a concentration on Spanish as a Second Language, Spanish for Non-Native Spanish teachers, Ecology and Environmental Administration, Economics and Latin-American Studies, Art and Culture in Latin American, and Management of Protected Areas (in the Galapagos Islands).

Another focus of Struve's visit was to identify a possible partner for launching a new graduate program in Administration of Petroleum Companies.

### Meeting Announcement

On July 18, 2001, the TIEC Board of Directors will hold its Annual Meeting in Austin. Please contact the TIEC offices for more information.