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Lamar University: A Standard of Excellence

This month's featured TIEC affiliated university is **Lamar University** (www.lamar.edu).

- Located in Beaumont, Texas, with a student population of 9,800.
- Undergraduate degree programs: Arts and Sciences, Business, Education and Human Development, Engineering, Fine Arts, and Communication.
- Masters programs in over 30 fields, including business administration, computer science, engineering, and communication disorders.
- Doctoral degrees: Engineering, Deaf Education.



- Research Centers: Gulf Coast Hazardous Substance Research Center, Small Business Development Center, Texas Hazardous Waste Research Center, Texas Air Research Center, Educational Technology Center (ETC).
- "Project Invest" teams the ETC with Bryan Independent School District (well-known for mainstreaming deaf students and a Deaf Cooperative) to increase access to educational and informational resources for those involved in deaf education.

Recent TIEC Visitors...



Mr. Hideaki Kojima, Global Training Manager, and Mr. Taiichi Kawaguchi, Manager, of the Education and Training Department at Nomura Securities Co., Ltd. of Japan, met with Dr. Nick L. Poulton (left) and Dr. Terry Simon (right) at TIEC on February 19, 2003

Chinese Accounting Officials Study Texas University Management Practices

TIEC hosted a study mission from China's National Accounting Institute (NAI) on March 19-22, 2003, whose purpose was to observe and learn about the management structure of Texas higher education institutions, especially financial management; and to study various aspects of university administration, including student dormitory operations, campus security, food services, and health services.

The delegation was headed by Mr. Xiaochao Dong, NAI's Vice President, and Mr. Ning Wang, Vice-Secretary General of the Beijing Institute of Certified Public Accountants; other participants included Ms. Li Luo, Ms. Ying Zhang, Mr. Guodong Wang, and Ms. Qun Mao. Mr. Ocean Sun served as escort and interpreter.

In cooperation with the Office of the Associate Vice President for International Programs at The University of Texas at Austin, TIEC arranged for the group to tour several administrative complexes at the university and receive detailed briefings from Mr. Brian Gutierrez, Associate Vice President and Controller; Mr. Scott Meyer, Mr. Randy Porter, and Ms.



Dr. Nick Poulton, TIEC President, with Mr. Xiaochao Dong, Vice President, National Accounting Institute

Laurie Mackey, Division of Housing and Food Services; Ms. Sherry Bell, University Health Services; and Lt. Julie Gillespie, UT Police.

The delegation also met with TIEC staff to learn more about TIEC/TIEP programs.

NAI is a recently-completed residential continuing education facility in Beijing. It was established by the Ministry of Finance to contribute to the continuing education of China's professional accountants. NAI offers a wide selection of courses in such areas as accounting, auditing, taxation, information technology, finance, and business and management principles.

Indonesian Educational Leaders Discuss Stronger Ties to Texas Universities

Three Indonesian higher education administrators met with Dr. Nick Poulton, President, and Dr. Ronald Aqua, Executive Vice President, TIEC, on March 10, 2003, to discuss possible linkages to Texas higher education institutions in such areas as American Studies curriculum development, university management and administration, and staff development.

The delegation included Mr. Muhammad Ary Achdyani, Lambung Mangkurat University; Mr. Bambang Apriady Loeneto, Sriwijaya University; and Mr. Riyadi Santosa, University of Sebelas Maret.

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the Phelps Stokes Fund, through the U.S. Department of State, and was hosted by the International Hospitality Council of Austin.



Mr. Riyadi Santosa, Mr. Bambang Apriady Loeneto, and Mr. Mohammad Ary Achdyani (bottom row), assisted by Mr. Alan Ponikvar (top left), meet with Dr. Ronald Aqua and Dr. Nick Poulton