



# Washburn's International Accent

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## Calendar of Major Events (September 1-October 31)

Sept. 1, 6:00 pm, BBQ Dinner for ISI students at Dr. Ron Wasserstein's

Sept. 2, ISI students to Royals game hosted by Dr. Wasserstein

Sept. 6, 6:30 pm, International Film Series, "King of Hearts" (France, 1966, French, English and German with English Subtitles), Public Library

Sept. 7, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Dr. Richard Yates, Cambridge, England

Sept. 8, 4-5, i-House, International Education Committee meeting

Sept. 12, 3-4, i-House, OPT workshop for graduating F-1 international students

Sept. 12-17, Topeka Friendship Network "Dinner at Our House" week; call 233-6260 for schedule.

Sept. 20, 10-11, i-House 2nd OPT workshop for graduating F-1 international students

Sept. 21, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Ron Wasserstein

Sept. 23, 11-noon, i-House, 3rd OPT workshop for graduating F-1 international students

Oct. 4, 6:30 pm, International Film Series, Topeka Public Library, "Valentin" (Argentina, 2003, Spanish with English Subtitles)

Oct. 1-8, German singers Dietrich and Barbara Hillebrand visit Washburn

Oct. 5, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Cynthia Hornberger and Russ Smith

Oct. 6-7, Delegation from Da-Yeh University, Taiwan visits Washburn

Oct. 13, 4-5, i-House, International Education Committee meeting

Oct. 19, noon, i-House, Brown Bag lecture by Karen Ray

## Regent, President, Celebrate 25th Anniversary of Exchange Program

June 5-7, Regent Nancy Paul and President Jerry Farley arrived at Fukuoka University to join a group of 16 Washburn students and faculty in celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the partnership. The Washburn delegation was warmly received.



President Farley and Regent Paul presenting the Washburn College Bible to Dr. Shigemori Ishida, President of Fukuoka University

## Washburn Welcomes 42 New International Students

Things in the International Programs office were really hopping the week of August 15-19 welcoming one of the largest fall classes of students in the past few years: 42 new international students, representing 20 different countries. This is the largest fall class in three years!

Included in the total number of students are 19 students on either one-semester or one-year exchange programs from Orebro University (Sweden), Tunghai University (Taichung, Taiwan), Tongji University (Shanghai, China) through the International Study Institute (Japan), Blaise Pascal University (France), Mikkeli Polytechnic (Finland), CONAHEC program (Mexico) and Magellan program (Europe). In total, Washburn is home to 160 international students from 45 countries.

Please join us in welcoming all of the new and returning international students (back) to campus!

## 21 International Students Graduated

The following international students completed their programs and earned their degrees in May 2005:

**Ovokeraye Achinike**, Nigeria, Biology, BS  
**Bahtier Hashimov**, Kyrgyzstan, Computer Info. Sciences, BS  
**Yoshie Hatano**, Japan, Finance, BBA  
**Mia Hippy**, Indonesia, Art, BA  
**Meral Ismik**, Turkey, Computer Info. Systems, BA  
**Natalia Ivchenko**, Kyrgyzstan, Computer Info. Sciences, BS  
**Young-Jin Jeon**, South Korea, Computer Info. Sciences, BS  
**Riyo Kusazumi**, Japan, Political Science, BA  
**Victoria Ledeneva**, Kyrgyzstan, Accounting, BBA  
**Qing Li**, China, Piano Performance, BA  
**Pei-Rong Lin**, Taiwan, Accounting, BBA  
**Eric B. Maina**, Kenya, Computer Info. Sciences, BS  
**Francis B. Maina**, Kenya, Computer Info. Systems, BA  
**Robyeat Mallick**, Bangladesh, Computer Info. Sciences, BS

**Kalpesh Maru**, India, MBA  
**Maiko Narizuka**, Japan, Sociology, BA  
**Binky Vivian Onyango**, Kenya, Computer Info. Sciences, BS  
**Mohammed S. Rahman**, Bangladesh, Computer Info. Systems, BA  
**Sharif Ur-Rahman**, Qatar, Computer Info. Sciences, BS  
**Hao Zhang**, China, Piano Performance, BA  
**Hong Zhang**, China, MBA

The following students finished their exchange semester and have returned to their home institutions:

**Hermine Helleday**, Sweden  
**Diana Fernanda Jimenez**, Mexico  
**Yuka Kotabe**, Japan  
**Takuya Kudoh**, Japan  
**Akira Kurihara**, Japan  
**Claire Lambert**, France  
**Akemi Mori**, Japan  
**Jun Nakashiro**, Japan  
**Jun Ohshima**, Japan  
**Daisuke Takahashi**, Japan  
**Guillaume Weyl**, France  
**Yukari Yamagata**, Japan

In addition, the following graduates received honors:

**Yoshie Hatano** (BBA) - Cum Laude  
**Victoria Ledeneva** (BBA) - Magna Cum Laude  
**Maiko Narizuka** (BA in SO) - Magna Cum Laude  
Dept. honors, Sociology and Psychology  
**Qing Li** (BA in Music) - Summa Cum Laude  
**Hao Zhang** (BA in Music) - Summa Cum Laude  
**Binky Vivian Onyango** (BS in CS) - Cum Laude

## Washburn Ranked 4th in the Region and 17th in the Nation

U.S. News and World Report has ranked Washburn University fourth in the Midwest among public master's-level universities in its 2006 American Best Colleges ranking. This is the sixth consecutive year that Washburn has earned a top 10 rating and is its best ever. When the regional rankings are compared nationally, Washburn is one of three schools tied for 17<sup>th</sup> place as

the highest-rated public master's-level universities in the country.

## **International Club Announce Officers**

International Club has chosen new officers to form the leadership team for the 05-06 school year:

Jamie Huang (Taiwan): President

Erika Yamashita (Japan): Vice President

Ian Otinga (Kenya): Treasurer

Bin Guo (China): Immediate Past President

## **Three International Scholars Join Business Faculty**

### **Tao (Tony) Gao, Associate Professor of Marketing:**

Tony holds the B.S. in Engineering from Hebei University of Technology and the M.S. in Business Administration from Harbin Institute of Technology (China). His Ph.D. in Marketing is from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Tony was most recently on the Hofstra University faculty and previously taught at The College of William and Mary, Virginia Tech, and Hebei University (China). He has published in a variety of marketing and business journals, and will teach courses in marketing, international business, and entrepreneurship.

### **Norma Juma, Assistant Professor of Management:**

Norma holds the MBA from Pondicherry University (India) and the BBM from Mysore University (India).

In May, Norma completed her Ph.D. in Strategic Management and International Business from the University of Texas at Arlington. She has already published one journal article and has others under review dealing with new venture creation and entrepreneurship. She will teach strategic management and courses in entrepreneurship and international business.

### **Sonia Wasan, Visiting Assistant Professor of Accounting:**

Sonia holds both a Bachelors and Masters in Commerce from Delhi University and is a Chartered Accountant in India. Sonia is completing her Ph.D. at the Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge. She has published three

papers and has others under review. She will teach both financial and managerial accounting principles courses.

## **President and Mrs. Farley Calling on Alums in Bangkok**

President and Mrs. Farley and Baili Zhang traveled to Bangkok, Thailand, in June to visit the Kasem Bundit University to discuss exchange possibilities. While there, the Farleys also hosted a reception for a group of ten Washburn alums living in the area.



**President and Mrs. Farley with alums in Bangkok**

## **Study Abroad Updates**

### **Law School's Summer Program a Success, again**

This was the second summer for the School of Law's summer abroad program at the University of Utrecht in the Netherlands, 25 miles southeast of Amsterdam. Seventeen Washburn law students enrolled in the program, together with a law student from Northern Kentucky University and another from Florida State University. In addition to the nineteen U.S. students, four Dutch students, from the University of Utrecht, and one French LL.M. graduate, participated in the summer courses. The first course, held from July 2-July 21, was Comparative Legal Systems, co-taught by Washburn's Associate Professor of Law Robert Rhee and Dr. Ubaldus de Vries, of the Legal Theory Department of the Faculty of Law of the University of Utrecht. The second course, held from July 25-August 11, was Comparative Criminal Law and Procedure, co-taught by Washburn's Professor of Law John

Francis and Dr. Bart Stapert, of the Willem Pompe Institute for Criminal Law and Criminology of the Faculty of Law of the University of Utrecht. For more information about the Washburn-Utrecht Summer Law Program, including a photo gallery of this summer's program, see <http://washburnlaw.edu/studyabroad> (by Nancy Maxwell)

## Cambridge's International Summer School Attracting Washburn Students

Twelve Washburn students participated in this year's summer school programs at the University of Cambridge. We were all housed at Selwyn College, University of Cambridge. After being settled into our rooms, we were formally registered for the University of Cambridge International Summer School Program. Despite the tension in London caused by terrorist attacks, we were all quite safe and returned home on August 5.

Everyone was excited about the unique opportunity to study at this world famous university and to experience a new country and meet students from 50 countries. Our group was honored a short visit from Vice President and Mrs. Wasserstein and Baili Zhang, Director of International Programs. Students who attended were: Dylan Austin, Cara Burnidge, Adrienne Halpin, Kathryn Keyes, Paula Kafka, Hattie Mitchell, Tabitha Rempe, Jason Robbins, Sheena Smith, Jennifer Smutney, and Alayna Ziegler. (by Donna Love)

## International Relations



19 participants of the Association of American-Scandinavian Exchange program visited Washburn

on August 22, 2005

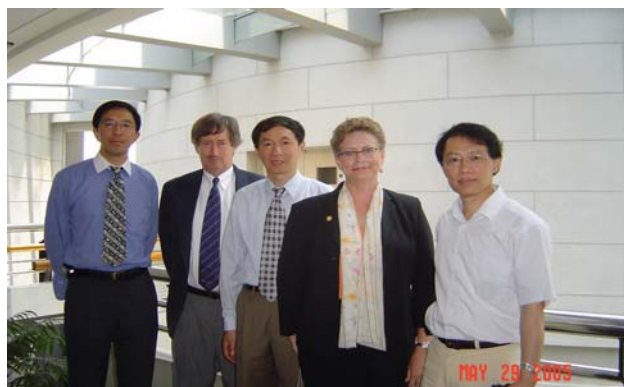
## Washburn Delegations Visited China and Europe

July 5-16, Vice President Ron Wasserstein and Baili Zhang, Director of International Programs, visited Washburn's exchange partners: Utrecht University and Hogeschool (both in Holland), Klagenfurt University (Austria), and Cambridge University. Wasserstein and Zhang also visited with Washburn students studying at Utrecht and Cambridge Universities. May 30-June 5, Cynthia Hornberger, Dean, School of Nursing, Russ Smith, Associate Dean, School of Business, and Baili Zhang, Director of International Programs, visited China's Tongji University (Shanghai) and Wuhan University of Science and Technology (Wuhan, Hubei).

The Washburn delegation and their Chinese counterparts explored potential exchange programs between the schools in the area of faculty development and student exchange.



VP Wasserstein with Walter and Elfi Schludermann, who reciprocated a visit to Washburn on August 19, 2005



Right to left: Yao Ming, International Officer of Tongji,

**Cynthia Hornberger, Wu Sizong, Dean of School of  
Management of Tongji, Russ Smith, and Baili Zhang**