Asia Pacific Higher Education Research Partnership

Innovation, Policy, Governance and Quality

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Origins

- Grew out of an East-West Center program-The International Forum for Education 2020, which was dedicated to pursuing policy relevant higher education change taking place in the Asia Pacific Region. Ended in September 2012.

- APHERP became an independent, member-based organization. Operational Jan. 1, 2013

- Located at EWC, Honolulu which serves as the secretariat

- Most members had some previous association with IFE 2020
Goals and Objectives

- Goals: Identify and link the higher education research efforts of complex and diverse higher education institutions throughout the region.

- Mission: Undertake research and publication on issues of major policy relevance including the full range of activities impacting higher education with a particular emphasis on how they affect the arenas of innovation, policy, governance and quality.
Structure

- Four levels of membership
  - Core institutions engage and help direct all activities of the organization (currently two in number with the University of Hawai‘i System and East West Center sharing one core position)
  - Foundational institutions participate in the full range of organization activities, including participation in a designated number of annual research engagement
  - Associate Member—reserved for institutions from developing economies
  - Affiliate Member—reserved for quality assurance entities
Governance

- Every member participates in governing structure
- Biennial membership meeting for all participants
- Core institutions have ex-officio membership on steering committee
- Four members from foundational members on steering committee; rotating two-year terms
- Steering committee meets in person or by electronic means at least three times a year
Activities: Leadership Institutes

- Held once a year for mid-career individuals nominated by their member institution
- Intensive institute; current length 9 days; average cohort 16-18 members
- Institute curriculum created anew each year from cumulative senior seminar content
- Current site: National Chung Cheng University (CCU), Chia-yi, Taiwan
- Probable time period: mid-July
Past Institutes

● 2005-2009 East-West Center
● 2010 Dusit University, Bangkok, Thailand, November
● 2011 East China Normal University, Shanghai, China, November
● 2012 Northeast Normal University, Changchun, China, September
● 2013 National Chung Cheng University (CCU), Chia-yi, Taiwan, October
● 2014 National Cheng Cheng University (CCU), Chia-yi, Taiwan, July
Senior Seminars

- Purpose: to bring together a group of accomplished scholars (12-16) in a seminar setting to present and discuss papers framed around a previously circulated concept paper.
- Typically 2.5 days in length.
- Located at a membership campus setting.
- After seminar, editors appointed who create prospectus for major publisher.
- On acceptance, contributors provided notes of the seminar and advice on a revision of their paper.
- Chapters published on average 7-9 months after seminar by a major international publisher.
Past Seminar Publications


Journal of Asia Pacific Public Policy, Vol. 1, # 2, June 2007, guest editor Deane Neubauer


More Publications


Vol.1, No. 1, Asian Education Development Studies, 2011, Deane Neubauer Guest Editor.


In Press


- Deane Neubauer and Kamila Ghazali, “Twenty First Century Work Place Skills and Learning Competencies: Continued Change in Asia Pacific Higher Education” probable publication date: August, 2015 (Palgrave Macmillan)

- Deane Neubauer and Prompaili Bausuwan, “The Changing Nature of Graduate Education in the Asia Pacific Region,” probable publication, December 2015 (Palgrave Macmillan)


- Ka Ho Mok and Deane Neubauer, editors. Special Issue of Journal of Education and Work (in press)
Emerging Scholar Seminars (ESS)

- Similar structure to Senior Seminar, but intended for younger scholars of promise

- First such seminar held at the National Higher Education Research Institute, Universiti Sains Malaysia, October 1-11, 2014. 11 participants

- Papers presented to Palgrave Macmillian for their new Pivot series of publications

- Second ESS—Kasetsart University March 23-25, 2015. Papers to be developed for on-line journal, Excellence in Higher Education, and/or an additional Pivot volume.
Research Clusters

- Grow out of problematics developed in senior seminars
- Located at a participant member institution
- Typically consist of 6-8 members committed to doing further research in the subject matter developed in the senior seminar
- Time frame 2-3 years
- Participants committed to seeking external funding
Research Dissemination

- Goals: utilize diversified, multi-media (on-line journal, major book publishers (i.e. Palgrave Macmillan), peer-refereed journals.

- Objectives: high quality research regardless of outlet; serving different needs; opportunities for all levels of scholars to participate

- Research Cluster innovative way to utilize APHERP network and connect scholars working in similar areas
Current Membership

- **Core Members:**
  - Hawaii—East West Center; University of Hawaii System
  - Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology University (RMIT) Australia

- **Foundation Members**
  - Hawaii Pacific University—US
  - University of Pittsburgh—US
  - J.F.Oberlin University—Japan
  - Northeast Normal University—China
  - Zhejiang University-China
  - Fu Jen Catholic University—Taiwan
  - Doshisha University—Japan
  - UCLA—US
  - National Center for Entrance Examinations--Japan
Members

• Foundation Members (con’t)
  • University of Hawaii, Manoa
  • University of Southern California
  • National Chung Cheng University—Taiwan
  • King Mongkut’s University of Technology—Thailand
  • Kasetsart University—Thailand
  • Naresuan University-Thailand
  • University of Malaysia—Malaysia
  • George Mason University—US
  • Universiti Sains Malaysia (National Higher Education Research Institute-IPPTN)
Associate Member

- Center for Educational Testing and Quality Assessment, Vietnam National University Ho Chi Minh City—Vietnam
- De La Salle University, Philippines
Affiliate Members

- Council on Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA)—US
- Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WSCUS)—US
- Head Foundation, Singapore
How to Become a Member

- Contact either Deane Neubauer (deane@hawaii.edu) or John N. Hawkins (hawkins@gseis.ucla.edu)

- We will send you detailed information membership categories and benefits for all APHERP events.

- View APHERP website: APHERP.org for up-to-date information on our activities