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**AFS INTERCULTURAL PROGRAMS**

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The AFS Global Educators Program is for people who work in the field of education-outstanding international teachers who come to work with schools in America, and all kinds of educators from the U.S. who go abroad to work with teachers and students from other countries. Through AFS Global Educators, participants expand their knowledge of other cultures and educational systems, exchange methods of teaching and learn from teachers and administrators, all while acquiring first hand knowledge of what it’s like to live in another country.

**ALLIANCE FRANCAISE**

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The Alliance Française is an international network of non-profit associations whose central administration is in Paris. The mission of these associations is the propagation of the French language and culture. The Alliance Française is present in all five continents, represented by more than 1,300 centers in 142 countries. Each center is approved by authority of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Some Alliances Françaises offer French classes as well as various events related to France and the francophone world. There are 125 Alliances Françaises in the United States, with more than 25,000 members. Some 25,000 adults and young people study French at the Alliance Française.

**ASIA SOCIETY**

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The Asia Society is an international organization dedicated to strengthening relationships and deepening understanding among the peoples of Asia and the United States. A nonprofit, nonpartisan educational organization, the Society provides a forum for building awareness of the more than thirty countries broadly defined as the Asia-Pacific region - the area from Japan to Iran, and from Central Asia to New Zealand and the Pacific Islands. Through art exhibitions and performances, films, lectures, seminars and conferences, publications and assistance to the media, and materials and programs for students and teachers, the Asia Society presents the uniqueness and diversity of Asia.

**ASSOCIATES IN CULTURAL EXCHANGE**

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Associates in Cultural Exchange (A.C.E.) is a not-for-profit, 501 (c) (3) corporation headquartered in Seattle, Washington. Over 120,000 participants and clients from the U.S. and over 50 countries have benefited from A.C.E. programs and services since 1973. A.C.E.’s mission is to make the world your community by creating new connections and building interpersonal networks between those of different languages, cultural backgrounds, and disadvantaged communities, including recent immigrants, those with disabilities, limited English speakers, and at-risk youth.

**CHONG WA EDUCATION SOCIETY**

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Chong Wa operates a variety of language and culture programs for children, youths and adults: Mandarin for school age kids, adults; citizenship and naturalization classes and ELDES. The oldest Chinese school in the state, it is located in Chong Wa Hall in the Seattle Chinatown Historic District. Classes for young people are M-Th, 4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.; F homework/make up day; Saturday Mandarin for K-4th grade, 9 a.m. to noon. Summer Mandarin language camp for K-8. Call for summer schedule and for schedule of adult Mandarin classes. Secondary school credit available.
**ENSO-COMPANY**

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Enso-Company is a Seattle-based company offering a variety of multilingual products and services, including website translation, design, training, consulting, and web hosting. Enso has been a member of the Washington State Coalition for International Education since 2003.

**IEARN**

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IEARN (International Education and Resource Network) is a non-profit organization made up of over 20,000 schools in more than 115 countries. Since 1988, IEARN has empowered teachers and young people to work together online using the Internet and other new communications technologies. Over 1,000,000 students each day are engaged in collaborative project work worldwide. IEARN is the world's largest non-profit global network that enables teachers and young people to use the Internet and other new technologies to collaborate on projects that both enhance learning and make a difference in the world.

**LAKESIDE SCHOOL**

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The mission of Lakeside School is to develop in intellectually capable young people the creative minds, healthy bodies, and ethical spirits needed to contribute wisdom, compassion and leadership to a global society. We provide a rigorous, academic program through which effective educators lead students to take responsibility for learning. We are committed to sustaining a school in which individuals representing diverse cultures and experiences instruct one another in the meaning and value of community and in the joy and importance of lifelong learning.

**MANDARIN FOR PARENTS**

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Mandarin for Parents is a small family business offering Mandarin Chinese classes and study materials for adoptive parents and others who want to learn Chinese in the context of family life. The principles are Heidi Steele and Gaelan Steele, and Doug Urner. Heidi and Gaelan are both at home speaking Mandarin and have the pronunciation and tones of native speakers (actually, Chinese is Gaelan's native language), and Doug is living proof that almost anybody can learn some Mandarin. We offer six-week Mandarin classes in the Seattle area and on the Kitsap Peninsula for adoptive parents and others who would like to learn Mandarin in the context of raising children.

**ONEWORLD NOW!**

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OneWorld Now!'s vision offers new opportunities for young people to increase their tolerance, gain new language and leadership skills and to experience other cultures first-hand. Oneworld-now.org Now! is a two-year global leadership program for high school juniors that offers the following four areas of opportunities: leadership, world languages, summer activities, and internships. The after-school program is currently offered in the Seattle, WA area at Ingraham, Cleveland, Garfield and Roosevelt high schools. The program is open to all Seattle area students and many students travel from other schools where the program is not offered.

**PACIFIC VILLAGE INSTITUTE**

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Pacific Village Institute (PVI) is a non-profit, non-governmental organization that creates collaborative, cross-cultural learning opportunities in Asia and the United States for high school students, interim (gap year) students, undergraduates, and educators. By connecting global studies curricula with experiential education beyond classroom walls, PVI serves people seeking to deepen global awareness through direct experience and interaction at the grassroots level. Together, the people behind Pacific Village Institute share many decades of experience living, working, travelling, teaching, and learning throughout Asia.
SAGA SCHOOL

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The SAGA School was founded to provide an excellent international education beginning with total German immersion in Preschool. Our purpose at the Seattle Area German American (SAGA) School is to provide each student with a bilingual education in a nurturing, safe and supportive environment that promotes self-discipline, motivation, and excellence in learning. SAGA School teachers and staff join the parents and community to assist students in developing skills to become independent and self-sufficient individuals who succeed and contribute responsibly in a global community of the 21st century.

SPONGE

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Sponge offers language classes for young children (newborn – 5 years) and their caregivers. Come learn Spanish, French, Mandarin language and culture with us! Three of the most important reasons to start young are that they are biologically ready, there are cognitive benefits to learning a language that young, and that it helps the children grow into world citizens. All of our classes are held at our Leschi/Mt. Baker Ridge location. We have openings in several of our classes in the pilot program which runs until February 4th. Our spring session begins February 6th, 2006.

UW EAST ASIA RESOURCE CENTER

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The East Asia Resource Center (EARC) provides a wide range of outreach programming and services to K-12 educators nationwide. The EARC helps educators expand and update their knowledge of China, Japan, and Korea; recommends effective resources and strategies for teaching about East Asia; and develops quality curriculum materials. EARC offerings for K-12 educators include one-day workshops, 30-hour seminars, summer institutes, study tours to Asia, a resource collection, EARC volumes of curriculum materials, and a quarterly newsletter. EARC programming strives to bring the expertise of UW faculty and K-12 master teachers in Asian studies to its audiences of educators across the Pacific Northwest.

SPEAK YOUR LANGUAGES

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The Speak YOUR Languages videos were developed by the Highline Public Schools. Located just south of Seattle, this public school district has nearly 18,000 students whose families speak over 80 different languages. For more information, visit the Highline Public Schools web site. This video series was developed to encourage our students to better understand the value of language skills, to work hard to develop such skills and to dream about a future where they can benefit from this effort. Motivate students to improve their language skills with the Speak YOUR Languages videos profiling bilingual professionals whose language ability led them to exciting careers.

UW ASIAN LANGUAGES & LITERATURE

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The Department of Asian Languages and Literature offers instruction in the principal languages and literatures of Asia, including East, Southeast, Central, and South Asia. Emphasis is placed on the roles of these languages within the cultures they serve as well as on linguistic, textual, and literary analysis. The department offers undergraduate degrees in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, and South Asian languages and literature, and graduate degree programs in Chinese, Japanese, Korean, South Asian, and Buddhist Studies.

UW LANGUAGE LEARNING CENTER

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The Language Learning Center (LLC) is located on the ground floor of Denny Hall, near the northwest corner of the main UW campus. The LLC works with language departments to support successful language learning by developing digital multimedia learning resources. The LLC is currently focusing on the development of web-based language resources. Online examples of various types of language learning technology are available to give a sense of what types of digital resources can be developed. Polyglot, the LLC newsletter, is available both online and in printed form.
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Heritage Language Learning and Teaching Resource Fair

**WAFLT**

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Founded in 1964, the Washington Association for Language Teaching (WAFLT) serves a membership of 400 to 600 elementary through university level language teachers. WAFLT seeks to meet the needs of a profession dedicated to the teaching of world language skills and cultural awareness by providing information and sensitive global perspectives in an era of ever-increasing internationalization. The mission of WAFLT is to promote the teaching of world language skills and cultural awareness at all levels of instruction, to provide opportunities for all teachers of world languages to grow professionally, and to recognize the contributions of outstanding members of the profession and the community.

**WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL**

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The World Affairs Council of Seattle, a non-profit, non-partisan organization, is the leading foreign affairs forum in the Pacific Northwest. Since 1951, the Council’s purpose has been to promote greater understanding of global affairs in our Puget Sound community through a balance of public events, educational activities and the international visitor program. Members of the Council include schools, public institutions, businesses, and individuals, who want first hand information on global issues and direct participation in international exchange. Under the auspices of the U. S. Department of State, the International Visitor Program brings high-level professionals to the Puget Sound from all over the world to meet with their professional counterparts.

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