

The University of Iowa International Programs
and the Center for Credit Programs
in The Division of Continuing Education announce:

**International Programs Summer Institute for Teachers:
“Global Climate Change: Human Rights,
Consequences & Responsibilities”
June 16-20, 2008**

Past participants in International Programs Summer Institute for Teachers continue to speak enthusiastically about their experiences during the weeklong workshop. Here are some comments from teachers who have attended in the past:

Great Job! I would highly recommend this to any educator...! Once again, fantastic!

Best recertification credits that I have ever done – the intellectual focus is exhilarating and the topics are challenging.

Please continue to allow this fantastic forum as a way for teachers to continue to explore and complicate and search for ways to think about and re-invent their own practices.

Each summer, an international theme or geographical area is examined. The 2008 Institute will be led by a group of affiliated staff, faculty, and students of the University of Iowa’s Center for Human Rights (UICHR), and coordinated by Amy Weismann (see page 3), Deputy Director of the University of Iowa’s Center for Human Rights, who will present *Global Climate Change: Human Rights, Consequences and Responsibilities*.

This workshop will provide information about the science of climate change, the impacts of climate change and current and future adaptation and mitigation strategies. Current political and legal debates about the causes of and responses to climate change will also be discussed, including climate change’s differential impacts on ecosystems and human populations around the world and the diverse ways people are already coping with climate change. Breakout sessions and lectures will examine the collection of legal instruments known as the “International Bill of Human Rights”, discuss human rights as a framework for addressing environmental concerns, and briefly explore new theories of “intergenerational” human rights to introduce the human rights issues arising from climate change. Iowa’s connection to climate change will be emphasized along with local responses.

This workshop is intended for junior high and high school teachers from across Iowa and to engage teachers of natural sciences, geography, global studies, social studies and related subjects in the teaching about climate change with the assistance of faculty and graduate students from the University of Iowa College of Education. The content of the workshop will include lectures providing overviews of content areas, and breakout and discussion sessions to explore case studies or specific thematic concerns within the content area, and will assist participants to identify effective approaches to integrating climate change, and more broadly, environmental education in their classrooms. Panels will communicate content from a variety of perspectives and/or concretize the overview of the thematic concerns explored in the lectures. There will also be field trips, optional film screenings and lectures, and other social events tied to the workshop.

The workshop will be offered June 16-20, 2008
meeting daily from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
optional evening activities will be planned

The workshop awards 3 semester hours of credit. Tuition is \$696 for undergraduate credit or \$1083 for graduate credit. Participants who are not pursuing a degree at the UI may choose to register for either undergraduate or graduate credit.

Tuition and Housing Assistance

Grants to assist with tuition costs will be distributed among all registrants. The amount of funding each receives depends upon the number of participants. The first 16 teachers to register who live outside a 25-mile radius of Iowa City will receive free housing and his/her own room at Mayflower Residence Hall on The University of Iowa campus. The deadline to apply for free housing is: May 19, 2008.

For information about housing and grants, contact Amy Green, International Programs Outreach Secretary:

- Phone Ms. Green direct at 319- 335-1433; or
- Phone toll-free, 800-272-6430, and ask to be transferred to Ms. Green at extension 5-1433; or
- E-mail amy-green-1@uiowa.edu

To Register or Find out More

TEACHERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO REGISTER AND TO INQUIRE ABOUT THE GRANTS BY MAY 19.

You may register for the workshop using either of two course numbers. By using 187:210:WKA you receive credit in International Studies. By using 07S:210:WKA you receive credit from The College of Education.

Enrollment is limited to 25 students. The registration deadline is June 15.

To register contact The Center for Credit Programs:

- Phone toll-free at 1-800-272-6430; press 1 for Enrollment Services; or
- Phone direct at 319-335-2575; or
- Register online: <http://www.continuetolearn.uiowa.edu/ccp/de/regform.htm>

**University of Iowa – Summer 2008
International Programs Summer Institute for Teachers
“Global Climate Change: Human Rights,
Consequences & Responsibilities”**

**Facilitators:
Staff and Faculty of the University of Iowa’s Center for
Human Rights and Climate Legacy Initiative
Coordinator: Amy Weismann**

The workshop will be led by a group of affiliated staff, faculty, and students of the University of Iowa’s Center for Human Rights (UICHR), coordinated by Amy Weismann. The UICHR, in partnership with Vermont Law School (VLS), is now engaged in a unique research program, the Climate Legacy Initiative, directed by Professor Emeritus Burns Weston (Law). Along with Weston, current UI faculty members Jerry Schnoor (Engineering) and Jonathan Carlson (Law), are examining the scientific and legal dimensions of climate change to create new theories of redress and prevention. The Initiative also explores the intergenerational dimensions of climate change burdens, and our current responsibilities to future generations. The CLI at the University of Iowa involves environmental scientists and legal scholars working together to define and identify the problems to be solved and to think about and develop new ways of addressing the most pressing, global concerns associated with climate change.

Coordinator of the Summer Institute, Amy Weismann, is an alumna of Bryn Mawr College (1993, A.B.) and the University of Iowa College of Law (2000 J.D. with Distinction). Amy has served as an attorney in the Iowa City based general practice firm, the Larew Law Office, as a Law Clerk for the judges of the Seventh Judicial District of Iowa, and as a Legal Intern in the Appeals Chamber of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia in The Hague. Amy also assisted the Women's Caucus for Gender Justice with the editing of the final judgment produced by the Women's International War Crimes Tribunal 2000 for the trial of Japanese military sexual slavery. Prior to law school, Amy was a humanitarian aid worker in refugee camps in the former Yugoslavia, and a resettlement caseworker for the Lutheran Immigration and Refugee Services affiliate offices in Eastern Iowa. She is currently the Deputy Director of the UICHR. For more information about the course content Amy Weismann may be contacted at amy-weismann@uiowa.edu or 319-335-0483.