Upon arriving at Michigan State University (MSU), it’s hard not to feel the vibe of energy and excitement that signifies the start of a new academic year. Over 50,000 students are returning or newly arriving to campus, believing that their “tomorrow starts here.”

ISP Associate Dean's Message

VIPP Highlights

Seoul Metropolitan Government & VIPP Continue Their Partnership

VIPP continues its partnership with the Seoul Metropolitan Government. This summer, VIPP put on an urban safety and disaster management workshop for SMG employees. The workshop included a visit to the Fire Department of New York. (read the article).
Visiting International Professional Program (VIPP) is working hard to ensure that the international visitors who are coming to campus will share in this excitement and achieve meaningful impact from their MSU experiences.

VIPP is an important MSU resource for hosting international students and professionals from around the world who are seeking non-credit educational experiences. VIPP works with MSU faculty and staff to organize workshops, develop cutting-edge educational curriculum, and arrange site visits for hands-on learning and training. From short-term workshops for government officials to summer schools for college students, VIPP offers unforgettable opportunities for international visitors who come to MSU to experience a Spartan life.

In this newsletter, you will find highlights of recent VIPP activities. These include workshops for professionals and three summer school programs for college students from China. I am particularly excited about VIPP’s increased success in supporting federal government programs such as USDA Cochran fellowship program, USDA Foreign Agricultural Service/ Faculty Exchange Program, USDA Borlaug Fellowship and US Department of State’s International Visitor Leadership Program. VIPP played various roles in these competitive programs, providing logistical support, program delivery, or both. In doing so, VIPP has

VIPP Runs Successful Traditional Chinese Medicine Workshop

Shanghai University of Traditional Chinese Medicine (SHUTCM) sponsored the fourth Faculty Development Workshop designed by VIPP and the International Institute of Health (read the article).

Northwestern Polytechnical University Paint the Rock at MSU

Chinese students from Northwestern Polytechnical University participate in a Michigan State University tradition by "painting the rock." (read the article).
collaborated with many MSU colleges and departments, including the College of Veterinary Medicine; the Departments of Food Science and Human Nutrition and Plant, Soil and Microbial Sciences; and the School of Journalism.

Obtaining information about all that VIPP has to offer has never been simpler. VIPP has a new, informative website; a blog to deepen engagement with participants, alumni, partners, and communities; and a list of services it provides to participants.

I invite you to spend some time re-introducing yourself to VIPP – a place where energy, excitement, and vitality serve as a catalyst for the global impact of Michigan State University.

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Events

Field Trip to Michigan Supreme Court
September 19
Celebrate U.S. Constitution day with

VIPP Academic Advisor / Coordinator Dr. Kiwon Kang and VIPP Advisory Committee member, Dr. Won Song secured funding for eight Cochran fellows to study food assistance programs in US. The program was executed in early August (read the article).

VIPP Hosts African Journalists

VIPP hosted a group of African journalists who were invited to the US by the Department of State’s International Visitor Leadership Program (read the article).
VIPP Expands Horizons With Veterinary Exchange Program

VIPP helped MSU College of Veterinary Medicine with a program which brings junior African faculty to the U.S. We look forward to working with other MSU departments and colleges (read the article).

VIPP's New Course Lets You Discover MSU

This fall, VIPP participants will have the opportunity to learn more about their new academic home. VIPP is launching a new course called "Discovering MSU." (read the article).
Learn About American Life In "America 101"

America 101 is designed to help new VIPP students acclimate to life in the United States (read the article).

VIPP Launches a Blog

VIPP has launched a blog. Learn about campus events, American life, and the VIPP community (read the article).

People Spotlight
Mina Shin Promoted

Dr. Mina Shin has been appointed as Assistant Director of Communications, Marketing and Outreach at VIPP (read the article).

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Home for Today's Professionals, Tomorrow's Leaders
The Visiting International Professional Program (VIPP) at Michigan State University (MSU) is a world leader in providing executive education and professional development training. We offer non-degree certificate programs and short-term workshops in any field. We connect you to the expertise of world-class faculty and resources at MSU and you will benefit from the distinct American Higher Education System without enrolling in a full degree program.

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