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Welcome to Park City, the Crossroads of the West!

On behalf of the NAFSA: Association of International Educators Region II Team and the Park City Local Arrangements Committee, I thank you for coming to Park City to explore professional development and networking opportunities against the backdrop of the Rocky Mountains.

The conference theme, "*Crossroads in International Education in the Crossroads of the West*," highlights the importance of coming together as international educators to share knowledge, ideas, and experiences to strengthen ourselves professionally, both as individuals and as an association. Park City offers a stimulating natural and historical environment, rich in things to do and beauty to enjoy. Between informative conference sessions and a great mix of special events, you'll have many different combinations to choose from in crafting your conference experience.

The conference starts with a welcome from Park City Mayor Dana Williams and the rousing rhythms of his Motherlode Canyon Band. The Opening Reception will be a great time to kick back and reconnect with colleagues from around the Region. As the week progresses, be sure to take part in the plenary luncheon, state and regional breakfasts, and the Region II business meeting.

The Park City Local Arrangements Committee has worked hard for over a year to craft an environment-friendly week of opportunities for you to enjoy all that this beautiful mountain setting has to offer. A heartfelt thanks to Co-Chairs Aaron Rose, Brigham Young University, and Anjali Hammond, University of Utah, for the energy and creativity that is evident in their handiwork.

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Joe D. Potts
NAFSA Region II Chair and Conference Chair
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Dear NAFSA Conference Attendees:

Welcome to Park City! We are thrilled that you have chosen Park City as the place for your annual gathering. This is a wonderfully diverse community whose economy is based on tourism. We continually welcome the world and are very proud of the community's efforts on such issues as sustainability, open space preservation, affordable housing and historic preservation.

We are also very proud of our local school system. Several years ago, a nonprofit was formed to help the schools in areas that might not receive enough funding for such things as continuing education for teachers, programs for English as a second language and the International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program. The goal of this nonprofit is to place our school system in the top ten rated schools in the country.

We also have a sister high school program with Beijing High School Number 4. Each year a group of students travel either to or from China to spend several weeks immersed in the other's culture. This program has been in existence for fifteen years and hundreds of students have had the great opportunity to participate. Aside from some of the lifelong friendships that have been created, this past year Mandarin has been added to the Middle School curriculum.

Please take time to see and feel all that this unique mountain community has to offer. It only takes a day or so to see why we cherish and protect this very special place.

All my best,

Mayor Dana Williams

Conference Services

Registration Hours*

(Foyer)

Monday, October 20	11:30 am — 5:00 pm
Tuesday, October 21	7:30 am — 5:30 pm
Wednesday, October 22	7:30 am — 4:30 pm
Thursday, October 23	9:00 am — 4:00 pm
Friday, October 24	8:30 am — 11:30 am

Exhibit Hours

(Ballroom I & II)

Wednesday, October 22	8:00 am—5:00 pm
Thursday, October 23	8:00 am—5:00 pm

* same hours for the Hospitality Desk

Name Badges

For security reasons, conference participants are required to wear name badges for admission to all workshops, sessions and events. Individuals without name badges may not be admitted. Name badges are provided at the Registration Table.

Message Board

The Message Board will be located in the Foyer area near the NAFSA Region II Conference Registration and Hospitality Tables. You may leave messages for other conference guests and receive conference updates. Don't forget to check the Message Board throughout the day!

Hospitality Desk

Please stop by the Hospitality Desk located next to the Registration Table in the Foyer for information about restaurants, local attractions and other information about the Park City area. The hours are the same as those for the Registration Table.

Conference & Session Evaluations

At the end of every session, please take a moment to complete the session evaluation form and return it to the Session Chair. These evaluations will assist the regional team in nominating sessions to be presented at the NAFSA national conference in Los Angeles, CA in May 2009. The Region II Conference Evaluation will be sent via email after the conference—it provides us with helpful information on future planning.

Tickets

The Opening Reception on Tuesday evening, Yoga and Hikes, the Park City Historical Recap, and the Region II Business Meeting are available to all conference registrants. Tickets are required for all other special events and will be collected prior to entry to the event. These include the Plenary Lunch on Wednesday, State Breakfast and Historic City Tour/Pub Crawl on Thursday and Region II Breakfast on Friday morning. Conference registrants may purchase tickets at the Registration Table, given availability. Please visit the Registration Table if you lose a ticket to an event.

Non-Smoking Policy

As in the past, Region II offers conference participants a smoke-free environment. Help us keep it that way and refrain from smoking during the workshops, conference sessions, meals and other special events. Please smoke only in designated smoking areas per the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act.

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Park City Transportation

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Weather and Altitude

On average, Park City enjoys a diverse, mild four-season climate, with average temperatures ranging from 30 degrees in the winter to 80 degrees in the summer. High temperatures in the Fall average in the mid-50s and lows in the 30s. Snow is possible at any time in October.

For those who live at or near sea level, the city's altitude (7,000 feet) may take some getting used to. In order to prevent altitude sickness, visitors should:

- Drink plenty of water, especially if you are exercising. Keep a water bottle with you during the conference.
- Give yourself time to get adjusted before heavy exertion.
- Eat well, including lots of fruits and vegetables. The water in fruits and vegetables can help counteract dehydration.
- Use moisturizers and lip balm liberally to help keep your skin hydrated.
- Limit alcohol intake—altitude can affect how quickly your body absorbs alcohol and may make you feel the effects faster.

If you do become breathless, nauseated, develop a rapid pulse, dizziness or a combination of these symptoms, take a moment to rest, and if possible, get to a lower elevation. If the symptoms persist, seek medical help to avoid complications.

NAFSA: Association of International Educators Acronyms

EA KC :	Education Abroad Knowledge Community
EL KC:	International Education Leadership Knowledge Community
ISSS KC:	International Student and Scholar Services Knowledge Community
KC:	Knowledge Community
MIG:	Member Interest Group (formally SIG, Specific Interest Group)
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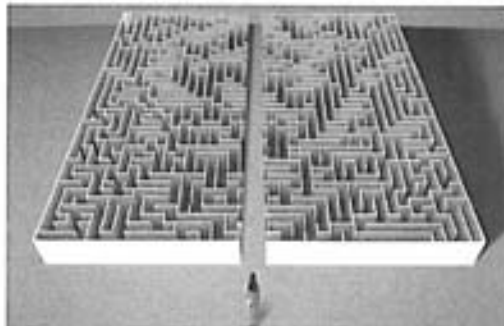
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NAFSA Meetings

Newcomers Session

(Ballroom I)
Tuesday, October 21 6:00 pm—7:00 pm

Opening Reception (*Open to all*)

(Outdoor Pavilion)
Tuesday, October 21 7:00 pm—9:00 pm

Plenary Luncheon (*Ticket required*)

(Ballroom III)
Wednesday, October 22 12:00 (noon)—1:30 pm

State Breakfast (*Ticket required*)

(Outdoor Pavilion)
Thursday, October 23 7:30am—9:00 am

Christian MIG (SIG) Meeting

(Grill Room)
Thursday, October 23 5:15 pm—6:15 pm

Region II Breakfast (*Ticket required*)

(Ballroom II)
Friday, October 24 7:45 am—8:15 am

Region II Business Meeting (*Open to all*)

(Ballroom II)
Friday, October 24 8:15 am—10:00 am

The NAFSA Academy (*Open to all*)

(Grill Room)
Friday, October 24 10:15 am—11:30 am

Regional Team Leadership Meetings

(Team Leadership Only)

Region II Executive Team Meetings

(Ski Shop) (*Closed*)
Sunday, October 19 12:00 (noon)—5:00 pm
Monday, October 20 9:00 am—5:00 pm

State Representative Training

(Uinta I & II) (*Closed*)
Tuesday, October 21 9:00 am—1:00 pm

Region II Team Meeting

(Uinta I & II) (*Closed*)
Tuesday, October 21 1:00 pm—5:30 pm

Region II Team Evaluation Meeting

(*Team Leadership Only*)
(Grill Room)
Friday, October 24 12:00 noon—5:00 pm

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Keynote Speaker



Ted L. Wilson

Plenary Luncheon
"America's Credibility in the World"

Ballroom III
Wednesday, October 22, 12:00 (noon) - 1:30 pm

Ted Wilson was born and raised in Salt Lake City, Utah. He graduated from the University of Utah in 1964, with a B.S. degree in Political Science. He received a Masters Degree in Education from the University of Washington in 1969. In 1983, he received an honorary Doctorate of Law from Westminster College of Salt Lake City, Utah.

From 1957-1963 he served in the Utah Army National Guard and was activated to full time status during the Berlin Crisis. He also taught economics at Skyline High School, Salt Lake City, Utah for seven years. During the summer months of 1966 to 1969, he was a mountaineering park ranger in Grand Teton National Park.

Wilson was appointed Chief of Staff to Congressman Wayne Owens in March of 1973. In April 1975 he was appointed to direct the Department of Social Services in Salt Lake County. In November, 1975 he was elected as Mayor of Salt Lake City. He served as Mayor until July 1, 1985 when he became the Director of the Hinckley Institute of Politics at the University of Utah. Retiring from the Hinckley Institute in September 2003, He retains status as Professor Emeritus of political science. He is retired from teaching but still teaches occasional classes at the University of Utah in the Honors Program.

Wilson is a founder of the Exoro Co, an advocacy firm. In 2005, he was appointed founding director of the Barbara L. and Norman C. Tanner Center for Nonviolent Human Rights Advocacy where he raised over a million dollars in funding. He is currently the director of the Utah Rivers Council, an environmental group that advocates healthy rivers and river enjoyment.

Personal travel to India has allowed Wilson to study and understand the Indian system of government. He has made thirteen trips to India including six trips leading university student expeditions. He was instrumental in organizing the International Semester Program at the University of Utah. During those visits, he met with the Dalai Lama, and led efforts to build housing for Tibetan Refugees in Bir, a community hall in Leh, Ladakh and a school in Kotwara.

He loves the sport of mountaineering and has made many first ascents on mountain climbing routes in Utah, in the Tetons, and has climbed in other ranges including the Alps, Alaska, Andes, and the Himalaya. He has established three climbing schools still in operation, was a climbing ranger in Grand Teton National Park, and is currently a part owner of Exum Utah Mountain Guides. He received the Department of the Interior Valor award for a mountain rescue on the North Face of the Grand Teton in 1967.

He serves on many voluntary local boards including the Southern Utah Wilderness Alliance, where he serves as Vice Chair, Friends of Alta, and the YMCA.

Wilson is married to *City Weekly* Editor Holly Mullen. From his previous marriage to Kathryn Carling, Wilson has five children. He is step dad to Mullen's two children. He enjoys bicycling, skiing, rock climbing, river running, fishing, and back packing with his family. A favorite hobby is watching Utah's future.

Distinguished Guests



Mayor Dana Williams

Dana Williams has been Mayor of Park City, Utah since 2006. Dana and his family have a long and colorful history in the Park City area. He ran the family farm until 1990 and in 1984 received the Farmer of the Year award for Summit County. Dana, his wife Lisa and their two children moved into Park City proper in 1990 and he became a realtor with Coldwell Banker and has earned his Lifetime Achievement Award from the Park City Board of Realtors. Over the past decade, Dana has worked on land preservation and responsible growth and was named the 1999 Rotary Citizen of the Year. He has also been a strong advocate for affordable housing and quality of life issues. He championed the city's new skateboard park and continues to play and sing in the highly popular Motherlode Canyon Band.

Motherlode Canyon Band

The Motherlode Canyon Band was formed in 1993 in Park City, Utah. The early roots were acoustic.... folk, bluegrass & blues and packed coffee houses were the scene. The band's strong vocals, guitar work and energy soon brought exposure to the Park City social scene and they took off. Playing everything from small private parties to large



concerts, from major nightclubs to television, the band added more players and expanded their music to include more rock....classic, roll and progressive. They have performed in 5 states, including Washington, D.C., and had great exposure at the 2002 Olympics where, among other appearances, they opened for Sheryl Crow at her Park City show. Members include Nina Ovter (vocals), Dana Williams (vocals, guitar, mandolin), Dan Hall (vocals, guitar), Scott 'Dude' Dudevoir (bass), Matt Rolston (drums).



Luca Bonomi

Luca Bonomi is president of the Società Dante Alighieri, a language school in Siena, Italy. Bonomi has traveled abroad extensively in promoting the school, including to Japan, South Korea, the U.S., as well as to Norway, Sweden, and Slovenia. Since his association with the school began, the National Assembly of the Società Dante Alighieri elected him Revisore dei Conti (official auditor) for a second consecutive term (2006). He was unanimously elected president of the Società Dante Alighieri, Comitato di Siena (2001). He served as director of studies (1998). He was elected secretary of the Società Dante Alighieri, Comitato di Siena, and worked alongside the society's president, Dr. Giulio Accattatis, in directing the school's operations (1996). He assumed administrative responsibilities, with the specific task of promoting the school's cultural activities abroad (1994), and he began teaching courses in Italian language, culture, opera, and the history of Italian cinema (1987). In 1995, he published an Italian grammar book, *I perché della Grammatica italiana*. Bonomi taught the history of cinema at the UNI-TRE (Università per la Terza età) of Grosseto and collaborated with the Maggio Fiorentino and other Tuscan institutions to offer Italian linguistic training for lyric singers in preparation for performances with the opera companies of Florence and Siena (1986-89). He received a degree in music and theatre from the University of Rome "La Sapienza" and he received a PhD in teaching Italian language and culture to foreigners at the University of Perugia in 1993.

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U.S. Based Training Program for Overseas Educational Advisors (USBT)

The U.S. Based Training Program for Overseas Educational Advisors (USBT) is administered by the College Board and is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. This is a mid-level professional development program for advisors that incorporates workshops and information sessions on higher education topics in Washington D.C., a week-long campus visit clusters of universities and colleges in diverse regions of the United States, and attendance at an international education conference.

The participants are selected from overseas advising centers in the EducationUSA network affiliated with the U.S. Department of State ([//educationusa.state.gov](http://educationusa.state.gov)). The advisors work in a variety of education-related settings in their countries: Fulbright Commissions, bi-national centers, American embassies, non-governmental organizations, foundations and universities. They frequently advise their national ministries about policies and developments in U.S. higher education. Their main responsibility is to provide unbiased, accurate and up-to-date information about higher education options for students and scholars interested in coming to the United States.

For some, the USBT provides their first visit to the U.S. and they are eager to develop relationships with staff and faculty at American institutions and higher education organizations and to experience campus life at first hand. We are very pleased to host these Overseas Educational Advisors in Park City and hope that NAFSAs will provide them a warm welcome.

Gonzalo Claire, La Paz, Bolivia
Educational Advising Center

Rosmary Romero, La Paz, Bolivia
Educational Advising Center

Representatives from NAFSA Central in attendance in Park City:

Susan Thompson, NAFSA Board

Chris Murphy, Senior Director of Publications Department

Gina Dryer, Senior Coordinator, Conferences Department

Gordon Withers, Web Services Team

Special Events

Tuesday, October 21

Silent Auction (*Open to all*)
8:00 am—2:00 pm

Foyer

Don't forget to check out this year's Silent Auction! The Silent Auction will be located near the Registration area in the Foyer. Expect to bid on artwork and items from local artists and the Park City art scene. The winners will be posted Thursday afternoon. You can pick up your goodies on Thursday at the coffee break or on Friday morning after the Region Breakfast Meeting.

Opening Reception (*Open to all*)
7:00 pm—9:00 pm

Outdoor Pavilion

Come reconnect with old friends and meet new colleagues while Park City's Mayor Dana Williams will welcome the crowd and play with his band, the Motherlode Canyon Band. Formed in 1993 in Park City, Utah, the early roots were acoustic.... folk, bluegrass & blues and packed coffee houses were the scene. The band's strong vocals, guitar work and energy soon brought exposure to the Park City social scene. They have played everything from small private parties to large concerts, from major nightclubs to television. Enjoy the reception and cash bar—no need to dress up!

Wednesday, October 22

Yoga (*Open to all*)
6:30 am—7:30 am

Ski Shop

Hatha Vinyasa Yoga incorporates breathing with flowing movements in and out of what should be familiar poses. These sessions will be geared toward participants who have had some (beginning/intermediate) experience with Yoga. Those who are more practiced should feel free to enhance their poses for more of a stretch while the less experienced will be shown options that will cause less strain, particularly if there are any physical problems. These morning sessions will be energizing while also creating a calm space to enjoy the day's activities with other beautiful NAFSA people. Please come prepared with your own mat or blanket. Each Yoga session will end with a period of relaxation and meditation. The yoga sessions will be in the Ski Shop—on the same floor as the Lobby.

Silent Auction (*Open to all*)
8:00 am—12:00 (noon) and 1:00 pm—4:00 pm

Foyer

Don't forget to keep bidding on the Silent Auction! The Silent Auction will be located near the Registration area in the Foyer. Items from local artists and donations from Park City companies are sure to be hot items. The winners will be posted Thursday afternoon to allow for time to make arrangements to pick up your items. Please note that the Region will not ship the items to you.

Plenary Luncheon (*Ticket required*)
12:00 noon—1:30 pm

Ballroom III

Featured Speaker: Ted Wilson, "America's Credibility in the World"

Enjoy lunch with your colleagues while listening to a fascinating speaker present on a very timely topic.

Special Events

Wednesday, October 22

Park City Historical Recap (*Open to all*)
5:15 pm—6:15 pm

Uinta I & II

Johanna Fassbender, Curator of Education, at the Park City Museum will present a great overview of Park City's unique history. In 1868, silver was first discovered in this area, and soon a thriving mining town was established. Park City was the second largest silver strike in the country, and several men and women made millions here. The town and its inhabitants lived through ups and downs, for example the Great Fire of 1898, and Park City almost became a ghost town in the 1950s. The last remaining mining company, however, was able to transform Park City into a destination ski resort town which is what it is known for today.

Restaurant Hops
6:15 pm—9:00 pm

Lobby

The Park City Local Arrangements Committee has created "On the Menu" for your Restaurant Hop pleasure. Look at our menu and wine pairing suggestions at the Registration Desk. Take the free Park City bus to Historic Main Street for dinner.

Contradance (*Open to all—No experience needed*)
8:00 pm—10:00 pm

Outdoor Pavilion

Leaping Lulu from Logan, Utah, are masters of the Celtic sound, playing lively toe tappin' jigs and reels that make you want to dance. Don on the guitar, Sara on the fiddle and Liz on the flute round out the trio for our barn dance. Wear casual clothes and comfy shoes. No partner or experience necessary.

Thursday, October 23

Yoga (*Open to all*)
6:30 am—7:30 am

Ski Shop

These morning sessions will be energizing while also creating a calm space to enjoy the day's activities with other, beautiful NAFSA people. These sessions will be geared toward participants who have had some (beginning/intermediate) experience with Yoga. Please come prepared with your own mat or blanket. Each Yoga session will end with a period of relaxation and meditation. The yoga sessions will be in the Ski Shop—on the same floor as the Lobby.

State Breakfasts (*ticket required*)
7:30 am—8:15 am

Outdoor Pavilion

Come join other NAFSAs for breakfast and learn more about the NAFSA activities in your State.

Silent Auction (*Open to all*)
7:30 am—9:00 am and 12:00 (noon)—2:00 pm

Foyer

This will be the last day to bid on Silent Auction items. Silent Auction winners will be posted Thursday afternoon at the Registration area in the Foyer. Winners may pick up their items at registration on Thursday at the coffee break or on Friday morning after the Regional Breakfast Meeting.

Special Events

Thursday, October 23

Crossing Roads with Your Colleagues

12:00 noon—2:00 pm

We know that the Region II NAFSA Conference keeps you hopping from one location to the next so that you scarcely have time to reconnect with colleagues and take time to see the beauty of the location. Please enjoy this time to rejuvenate and associate with your colleagues.

Becoming a NAFSA Leader—Brown Bag Lunch

12:15 pm—1:15 pm

Uinta I & II

This session examines the benefits of volunteering in NAFSA, the areas where newcomers, mid-level managers and seasoned professionals can share their talents within the organization, the expectations of the leadership positions and the use of the Expertise Profile. There will be time for participants to ask questions of the leader/presenters.

Hike

12:00 noon—1:30 pm

Meet in the Lobby

The mountains have always held an almost mystical fascination. There's nothing quite like hiking in Park City, where the air is cleaner and the temperature is cooler. Take a short easy hike with your colleagues just out the door of the Marriott Hotel. Total walking time: 60 minutes. Wear comfortable shoes, and bring water. This hike will be led by Kay Forsyth, Utah State University.

Historic City Tour/Pub Crawl *(ticket required)*

6:15 pm—9:00 pm

Meet in Lobby

Meet in the hotel lobby first before going to Main Street by bus. The walking tour starts at the top of Main Street where several old boarding houses are located. We will explore the history of the town by looking at historic architecture, listening to fascinating stories about saloons, ghosts and Parkites reinventing themselves over the years to be able to make a living in this town. The tour takes about one hour and will end at the bottom of Main Street (Main @ Heber). Afterwards, participants are welcome to join us at several historic saloons for a drink.

Special Events

Friday, October 24

Yoga (*Open to all*)

6:30 am—7:30 am (Ski Shop)

Ski Shop

These morning sessions will be energizing while also creating a calm space to enjoy the day's activities with other beautiful NAFSA people. These sessions will be geared toward participants who have had some (beginning/intermediate) experience with Yoga. Please come prepared with your own mat or blanket. Each Yoga session will end with a period of relaxation and meditation. The yoga sessions will be in the Ski Shop—on the same floor as the Lobby.

Regional Breakfast (*ticket required*)

7:30 am—8:15 am

Ballroom II

Catch up with colleagues during breakfast and learn more about NAFSA activities across the Region. Advance ticket purchase required. The annual Region II business meeting will follow at 8:15 am and is open to everyone.

Region II Business Meeting (*Open to all*)

8:15 am—10:00 am

Ballroom II

Following the Regional Breakfast, this business meeting is open to all. Learn more about the operation of the Region's business, meet and congratulate Region II Award Winners.



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Conference Schedule-At-A-Glance

Sunday, October 19

12:00 Noon—5:00 pm Region II Executive Team Meeting **Ski Shop

Monday, October 20

9:00 am—5:00 pm Region II Executive Team Meeting **Ski Shop

11:30 am—5:00 pm Conference RegistrationFoyer

2:00 pm—6:00 pm Workshop #1: F-1 Regulations: The Second StepGrill Room

Workshop #2: Foreign Credential Analysis.....Ballroom IV

6:30 pm—8:00 pm State Representative Training **Uinta I & II

Tuesday, October 21

7:30 am—5:30 pm Conference RegistrationFoyer

8:00 am—5:00 pm Workshop #3: F-1 Regulations for BeginnersBallroom III

Workshop #4: H-1B'sBallroom II

Workshop #2: Foreign Credential Analysis (continued).....Ballroom IV

8:30 am—12:30 pm Workshop #5: Planning and Implementing
Short-Term Study Abroad ProgramsBallroom I

9:00 am—1:00 pm Workshop #1: F-1 Regulations: The Second Step (continued)Grill Room

State Representative Training Continued **Uinta I & II

1:00 pm—5:00 pm Workshop #6: IEL—Mid-Career Workshop.....Grill Room

1:00 pm—5:30 pm Regional Team Meeting **Uinta I & II

6:00 pm—7:00 pm Newcomers SessionBallroom I

7:00 pm—9:00 pm Opening Reception (open to all)Outdoor Pavilion

Wednesday, October 22

6:30 am—7:30 am YogaSki Shop

7:30 am—4:30 pm Conference RegistrationFoyer

8:00 am—5:00 pm Exhibits OpenBallroom I & II

8:30 am—9:45 am Concurrent SessionsSee page 26

9:45 am—10:15 am Coffee BreakBallroom I & II

10:15 am—11:30 am Concurrent SessionsSee page 27-28

12:00 Noon—1:30 pm Plenary Luncheon *Ballroom III & IV

2:00 pm—3:30 pm Concurrent SessionsSee page 28-29

3:30 pm—4:00 pm Coffee BreakBallroom I & II

4:00 pm—5:15 pm Concurrent SessionsSee page 29-30

5:15 pm—6:15 pm Park City Historical Recap (open to all)Uinta I & II

6:15 pm—9:00 pm Restaurant HopsMeet in Lobby

8:00 pm—10:00 pm Contradance (open to all, no experience needed).....Outdoor Pavilion

* Requires Special Registration

** Closed Meeting

Conference Schedule-At-A-Glance

Thursday, October 23

6:30 am—7:30 am	Yoga.....	Ski Shop
7:30 am—9:00 am	State Breakfasts *	Outdoor Pavilion
9:00 am—4:00 pm	Conference Registration	Foyer
8:00 am—5:00 pm	Exhibits Open.....	Ballroom I & II
9:00 am—10:15 am	Concurrent Sessions.....	See page 33
10:15 am—10:45 am	Coffee Break	Ballroom I & II
10:45 am—12:00 noon	Concurrent Sessions.....	See page 34
12:00 noon—2:00 pm	Crossing Roads with Your Colleagues (free time) Hiking, lunch, relaxation, etc.	
12:15 pm—1:15 pm	Brown Bag: Becoming a NAFSA Leader: Opportunities & Paths	Uinta I & II
2:00 pm—3:30 pm	Concurrent Sessions.....	See page 35-36
3:30 pm—4:00 pm	Coffee Break	Ballroom I & II
4:00 pm—5:15 pm	Concurrent Sessions.....	See page 36-37
6:15 pm—9:00 pm	Historic City Tour/Pub Crawl *	Meet in Lobby

Friday, October 24

6:30 am—7:30 am	Yoga.....	Ski Shop
7:30 am—8:15 am	Regional Breakfast *	Ballroom II
8:15 am—10:00 am	Region II Business Meeting (open to all).....	Ballroom II
10:15 am—11:30 am	Concurrent Sessions.....	See page 39
11:30 am	Conference Ends	
12:00 noon—5:00 pm	Region II Post Conference Evaluation **	Grill Room

* Requires Special Registration

** Closed Meeting

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Workshops

Monday, October 20

2:00 pm—6:00 pm

Workshop: F-1 Regulations: The Second Step

Grill Room

Chair: **Linda Melville**, University of New Mexico

Presenters: **Brandon Samter**, Colorado School of Mines, **Tina Tan**, University of Colorado-Boulder, **Felicia Welch**, Thunderbird School of Global Management.

The "Second Step" workshop is designed for U.S. Designated School Officials (DSOs) with more than 18 months of experience in the field of international student advising. Discover the subtleties of the most current F-1 regulations and procedures. In addition, the sensitive and complex issues involving DSO discretion and institutional policy will be explored in tandem with Department of Homeland Security (DHS) regulatory compliance.

Workshop: Foreign Credential Analysis

Ballroom IV

Chair: **Carmen Varejcka-McGee**, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

This twelve hour Professional Practice Workshop provides basic training to foreign credentials and placement for individuals from universities and colleges. Topics covered include: information needed to evaluate credentials, how to develop a resource library and support base, understanding the credit and grade conversion process. Note: Participants should bring a calculator.

Tuesday, October 21

8:00 am—5:00 pm

Workshop: F-1 Regulations for Beginners

Ballroom III

Chair: **Christina Hertel**, University of Colorado-Denver

Presenters: **Christina Hertel**, University of Colorado-Denver, **Maria Zellar**, University of Colorado-Boulder

This introductory workshop offers participants the basic theoretical and practical knowledge and skills needed to advise foreign students on F-1 visa matters. The workshop begins with an overview of terminology and the visa process. It focuses on the responsibilities of USCIS (U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services) approved school and the Designated School Official (DSO), the definition of F-1 status and maintenance of status, creating a SEVIS record and issuing an I-20, dependent visa matters, updating SEVIS records (reports, change of level, program extension), school transfer, reinstatement, change of status, employment, and practical training.

Workshop: H-1Bs

Ballroom II

Chair: **Charles Bankart**, University of Kansas

Presenter: **Linda Harris**, University of Kansas

This workshop is designed for participants who handle the H-1B process in an academic setting. This workshop compares the H-1B designation with other visa classifications (such as O-1, TN, and J-1); highlights potential areas of need and approaches with regard to institutional policy as it relates to the H-1B processes; discusses case management and record maintenance approaches, needs, and requirements; provides an overview of new and pending H-1B legislation and how that will impact institutions of higher education; examines case examples from the field; reviews the respective roles and spheres of influence of USCIS and USDOL; and provides an overview of how institutional representatives can make their voices heard regarding the positive or adverse impact of proposed regulatory changes at the national level (public advocacy). It does not include information on issues of employment in a medical setting since the laws governing the practice of medicine in the United States by foreign medical graduates are separate from those governing other employment. This intermediate workshop is primarily for those involved in employment-based immigration work on a regular basis.

Workshops

Tuesday, October 21

8:00 am—5:00 pm

Workshop: Foreign Credential Analysis *(continued from Monday, October 20)*

Chair: **Carmen Varejcka-McGee**, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Ballroom IV

Workshop:

Planning and Implementing Short-Term Study Abroad Programs

Chair: **Cynthia Banks**, AustraLearn / AsiaLearn / EuroLearn, and **Philip R. Coleman-Hull**, Emporia State University

Presenters: **Cynthia Banks**, AustraLearn / AsiaLearn / EuroLearn, **Ann Halpin**, Abroadco Study Broad, **Gavin Hornbuckle**, CAPA International Education, **Phil Coleman-Hull**, Emporia State University

Ballroom I

In this workshop you will learn from education abroad practitioners the process for designing, implementing, and managing high quality, academically sound, short-term programs. Understand the differences between theory and practice as workshop panelists share their experiences to give participants key learning tools and strategies for building the right kind of program for the university, managing a budget, dealing with faculty leaders, and hiring the right on-shore providers to successfully deliver the program. Workshop participants will also share their own case stories and hear from other professionals to further build a working plan for managing successful short-term study abroad programs.

9:00 am—1:00 pm

Workshop: F-1 Regulations: The Second Step *(continued from Monday, October 20)*

Chair: **Linda Melville**, University of New Mexico

Presenters: **Brandon Samter**, Colorado School of Mines, **Tina Tan**, University of Colorado-Boulder, **Felicia Welch**, Thunderbird School of Global Management.

Grill Room

1:00 pm—5:00 pm

Workshop: Mid-Career Professional Development for International Educators

Chair: **Chuck Olcese**, Pittsburgh State University

Chair: **Charles Bankart**, University of Kansas

Presenters: **Bill Barnhart**, University of Utah, **Larry Bell**, University of Colorado-Boulder, **Martha Denney**, Colorado State University

Grill Room

This workshop is designed to help mid-career folks who wish to deepen or broaden their ability to handle the unique leadership challenges involved in international education. The meaning of leadership in a global context and in relation to cultural diversity will be examined through specific institutional perspectives, helpful resources will be introduced, and experienced leaders in the field will offer insight and guidance that you can put to use in your own institutional context.

6:00 pm—7:00 pm

Newcomers Session

Chair: **Aaron Rose**, Brigham Young University

Ballroom I

New to NAFSA? Is this your first time at a Regional Conference? This session will introduce you to NAFSA: Association of International Educators and the members of Region II. Welcome!

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Sessions

Wednesday, October 22

8:00 am—5:00 pm

Exhibit Hall Open

Ballroom I & II

8:30 am—9:45 am

Media Matters! Innovations in Study Abroad Promotion

Ballroom III

Chair: **Kay Forsyth**, Utah State University

Presenters: **Inger Bull**, Nebraska Wesleyan University, **Trevor Wright**, International Studies Abroad, and **Kay Forsyth**, Utah State University

KC Area = EA

How effective and cutting edge is our advertising and promotion of study abroad? This session will look at marketing study abroad from three different approaches—making use of online social networks, developing and implementing a DVD project, and reaching our audience with print materials.

Resources for Foreign Credential Evaluation

Uinta I & II

Chair: **Timothy J. Kell**, Educational Credential Evaluators

Presenter: **Timothy J. Kell**, Educational Credential Evaluators

KC Area = RAP

There is a wide array of resources available for use when evaluating foreign educational credentials. Resources vary widely in scope, practicality, delivery and price. This session will focus both on where to find answers to your evaluation questions, and how to organize the knowledge you already have. Learn from a professional credential evaluation company's experience with the most useful evaluation tools, and our suggestions on how to organize your evaluation knowledge in a practical way.

Basic Immigration for non-advisors

Grill Room

Chair: **Maria Beebe**, Kansas State University

Presenters: **Stacey Bailey**, Kansas State University, **Maria Beebe**, Kansas State University

KC Area = RAP/EA

This session will provide basic immigration information on international students. It will include the following topics: Basic definition of F-1 and J-1 students and a comparison of the two. Information about dependents, including what they can and cannot do; maintaining status; employment while in school; basics on OPT, CPT and academic training; Social Security numbers; travel; visa process; other visa types encountered at a university.

When Good Students Go Bad:

Ballroom IV

Immigration Consequences of Criminal Behavior and/or SEVIS Termination

Chair: **Elaine Kimbrell**, David Ware & Associates

Presenters: **Elaine Kimbrell**, David Ware & Associates, **Maria Zellar**, University of Colorado-Boulder, **Linda Melville**, University of New Mexico

KC Area = ISSS

This session will explore the common consequences of criminal behavior and SEVIS termination. What happens when a student is detained? How does a conviction affect a student's status, ability to travel, or ability to change status? What can a student who is terminated in SEVIS expect? What practical advice can a DSO give international students (i.e. what to expect from DHS if terminated)?

9:45 am—10:15 am

Break

Ballroom I & II

10:15 am—11:30 am

**Como se dice, Differential Non-Linearity?
Engineers and Study Abroad**

Ballroom III

Chair: **Adam Breen**, CEA Global Education Solutions

Presenters: **Adam Breen**, CEA Global Education Solutions, **Brandon Samter**, New Mexico Institute of Mining & Technology
KC Area = EA

Engineering majors are underrepresented in Study Abroad, yet the benefits of this experience are clear. What hurdles do these students and faculty face when trying to take their education overseas? How does ABET accreditation affect the possibility of Engineering students studying abroad? This session will focus on how to reach out to these students and faculty.

Using a Contract Program to Help Floundering Students

Uinta I & II

Chair: **Suzanne House**, University of Kansas

Presenters: **Suzanne House**, University of Kansas, **Sandra Issa**, University of Kansas
KC Area = ISSS/RAP

New international students academic performance can be negatively affected by issues of cultural adjustment, homesickness, unrealistic expectations, and newly granted independence. In an effort to support floundering students before poor attendance and grade problems send them down the path towards probation, IEP counselors can use a student contract program to provide monitoring and support. In this session, the presenters will describe such a contract program, identify its strengths and weaknesses, and explore additional ways to guide students who find themselves at the crossroads of potential failure and success.

Crossing Roads in Italy:

Grill Room

Education Abroad from a Faculty, Administrative, and Host Institution Perspective

Chair: **Cinzia Donatelli Noble**, Brigham Young University

Presenters: **Cinzia Noble**, Brigham Young University, **Aaron Rose**, Brigham Young University, and **Luca Bonomi**, Dante Alighieri Institute of Siena
KC Area = EA/IEL

After several years of a successful cooperation between Brigham Young University and the Dante Alighieri School of Italian Language and Culture, we would like to present the different perspectives of the people involved in organizing study abroad and internship programs for American students from the faculty directing the program, the administrators of the American university, and the director of the host institution. This will give a well-rounded indication of what is involved in organizing similar programs and the invaluable benefits for the students.

Sessions

Wednesday, October 22

10:15 am—11:30 am

Crossroads Under Construction: A Collaborative Approach Toward Designing an International Student Organization Program

Chair: **Phil Coleman-Hull**, Emporia State University

Presenters: **Phil Coleman-Hull**, Emporia State University, **Michael Ediger**, University of Kansas
KC Area = ISSS

Ballroom IV

This session will examine dual perspectives for implementing a week-long orientation program for new international students. A mid-sized university, Emporia State University, and a large-sized Institution, the University of Kansas, both share in taking a collaborative approach that incorporates campus and community resources to welcome and transition incoming students to their new environment. The presenters will reveal a comprehensive overview of their agendas demonstrating how the various players, using both traditional programming and web-based technology, integrate efforts to address everything from essential physical needs to navigating campus check-in, screening and enrollment protocols, as well as connecting with international and domestic peers.

12:00 (noon) - 1:30 pm

Plenary Luncheon (*ticket required*)

Speaker: **Ted L. Wilson**

"America's Credibility in the World"

Ballroom III

2:00 pm—3:30 pm

Making Use of Government Resources: EducationUSA and the U.S. Department of Commerce

Chair: **Jim Paul**, U.S. Department of Commerce

Presenters: **Rosmary Romero**, EducationUSA Bolivia, **Gonzalo Claire**, EducationUSA, Boliva, and **Jim Paul**, U.S. Department of Commerce
KC Area = RAP

Grill Room

This session will examine best practices in using resources through the U.S. Department of Commerce worldwide offices and U.S. Department of State Education USA Overseas Advising Centers. The speakers will share their creative application of technology and other services to promote international education, these agencies' collaborative activities, and client testimonials. DOC representatives will brief attendees on how to best develop and promote a state or city study consortium overseas, with reference to the examples of Study Illinois, Study Washington and Study Philadelphia. EdUSA advisors from Bolivia will provide cross-cultural perspectives on the Bolivian higher education system, its structure and trends, and aspects of Bolivian society regarding education.

Africa is Not a Country! Study Abroad in African Countries

Chair: **Charlotte Blessing**, Colorado College

Presenter: **Charlotte Blessing**, Colorado College

KC Area = EA

Ballroom III

Africa is a largely unexplored region in the world of study abroad. As more students begin to consider studying in non-traditional destinations how can we best empower and prepare them? This interactive session will ask us to examine our own preconceptions and discuss the challenges of developing programs in and advising for a region about which we may have little or no first hand knowledge. Whether you are an experienced Africanist or have never been to the continent, come share your ideas and experiences.

2:00 pm—3:15 pm

Focus On Fulbright: Strengthening Partnerships

Uinta I & II

Chair: **Kathleen Sullivan**, Institute of International Education

Presenters: **Kathleen Sullivan**, Institute of International Education, **Karen Crouch**, Institute of International Education, **Joanne Lagasse-Long**, University of Arizona
KC Area = ISSS

This will be an opportunity to meet some of the players who work behind the scenes of the Fulbright Foreign Student Program and to learn more about how and why the Fulbright Program is administered the way it is, to learn about future directions within the Program and to discuss from the perspective of you, our campus partners, some of the challenges involved when communicating with IIE and providing support to Foreign Fulbright Students at your institutions.

Poster Session:

Research and New Directions in Study Abroad

Ballroom IV

Chair: **Christa Joy**, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Presenters: **Eric Leinen**, Arizona State University, **Cinzia Noble**, Brigham Young University, **Sharon Rhode**, AmeriSpan Study Abroad, **Jelena Stojakovic**, University of Montana
KC Area = ALL

Four very interesting poster topics will be presented, including recent research focusing on how study abroad affects participants' attitudes toward the U.S., and on the degree to which study abroad helps students gain cross-cultural awareness and intercultural competence. Both topics are very relevant to program development, marketing, and optimization. Another presentation addresses the quality of language instruction and overall experience that study abroad participants are likely to find at private language schools abroad. Will students have a real cross-cultural experience? What about accommodations, insurance, safety, scheduling, transfer credit, and many other important issues? Language study is critical, but students need to know how to make wise choices. Finally, take this opportunity to talk with the director of the very successful Dante Alighieri Institute's cooperative program with BYU. Both study abroad and internship programs are included, and provide a useful template for those contemplating similar ventures.

3:30 pm—4:00 pm

Break

Ballroom I & II

4:00 pm—5:15 pm

Effective Institutional Management of Study Abroad: Strategies for Your Campus

Ballroom III

Chair: **Ann E. Halpin**, Abroadco Study Abroad

Presenters: **Ann E. Halpin**, Abroadco Study Abroad, **Sara Demko**, Westminster College
KC Area = EA

Higher education leaders are responsible for encouraging and facilitating academically rigorous and effectively managed study abroad programs. Demonstrating institutional commitment, providing infrastructure and resources are crucial steps in this journey. Learn how campuses are leveraging the NAFSA report, "Strengthening Study Abroad: Recommendations for 'Effective Institutional Management'" to accomplish these goals.

4:00 pm—5:00 pm

Drawing the Line:

Admission Requirements vs. Immigration Regulations

Chair: **Kathy A. Singh**, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Presenters: **Kathy A. Singh**, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, **Carmen Varejcka-McGee**, University of Nebraska-Lincoln

KC Area = RAP/ISSS

Uinta I & II

There are many requirements and procedures that we all work with in regard to college admissions and international student immigration. What happens when these areas start to blur? This session will look at the NAFSA code of ethics in recruiting, admission, and enrollment to discuss the ways admissions offices and international student service offices have worked to ensure that we are serving prospective international students while meeting NAFSA and institutional guidelines, without becoming immigration officers ourselves.

Toastmasters International: Helping to promote inclusiveness

Chair: **Barb Seekins**, University of Montana

Presenters: **Barb Seekins**, University of Montana, **Mary Nellis**, University of Montana

KC Area = ISSS

Grill Room

This session will describe the process used at UM to establish the UM Multicultural Toastmasters Club (an affiliate of Toastmasters International). The club is composed of grad students (primarily foreign and American Indian), university staff and community members and will have been in operating for two years in October 2008. The original purpose was to help develop public speaking and presentation skills of the members but it has also turned out to be a great venue for cultural exchange.

Building a Multicultural Learning Community within a Community College

Chair: **Ken Kuntzelman**, Arizona Western College

Presenters: **Ken Kuntzelman**, Arizona Western College, **Susanna Pino**, Arizona Western College

KC Area = ISSS

Ballroom IV

Presentation (short video, powerpoint, and handouts) and discussion on connecting theory to practice: transforming a diverse group of learners into a group that learns by integrating administrative procedures, academics, orientation, student activities, and cross-cultural relationships to enhance student learning and increase retention in a community college international program.

5:15 pm—6:15 pm

Uinta I & II

Park City Historical Recap

Johanna Fassbender, Curator of Education at the Park City Museum, will present a great overview of Park City's unique history. In 1868, silver was first discovered in this area, and soon a thriving mining town was established. Park City was the second largest silver strike in the country, and several men and women made millions here. The town and its inhabitants lived through ups and downs, for example the Great Fire of 1898, and Park City almost became a ghost town in the 1950s. The last remaining mining company however was able to transform Park City into a destination ski resort town which is what it is known for today.

6:15 pm—9:00 pm

Restaurant Hops

Meet in Lobby

The Park City Local Arrangements Committee has created "On the Menu" for your Restaurant Hop pleasure. Look at our menu and wine pairing suggestions at the Registration Desk. We will meet in the lobby and take the free Park City bus to Historic Main Street for dinner.

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Ballroom I

9:00 am—10:15 am

Grill Room

Bologna Process Challenges & Opportunities for U.S Higher Education. What's Next?

Chair: **Diana Carlin**, Council of Graduate Schools

Presenter: **Diana Carlin**, Council of Graduate Schools

KC Area = RAP/EA

What do trends in adoption of the Bologna Process mean for your campus? Increase your understanding of the tools of the Bologna Process: European Credit Transfer System, the diploma supplement and quality assurance. Learn what resources NAFSA provides to help international educators better understand the Bologna Process.

Look Both Ways Before Crossing Cultures: Proactive Approaches to Behavioral Issues Abroad

Ballroom III

Chair: **Megan Wood**, SIT Study Abroad

Presenters: **Megan Wood**, SIT Study Abroad, **Cindy Kraft**, University of Colorado-Boulder

KC Area = EA

This session will provide examples of screening processes for students going abroad and how to identify students who may display pink flags and red flags during the pre-departure process. It will further address how to emphasize and communicate the importance of appropriate behavior and set expectations for students' experiences abroad.

Community College Forum

Uinta I & II

Chair: **Ken Bus**, Glendale Community College

Presenters: **Randy Bush**, Butler County Community College, and **Julie Pitts**, Johnson County Community College

KC Area = ISSS

This session is for community college international student advisors, both newcomers and experienced. Using problem scenarios and participant questions, a variety of challenges facing community college international programs will be discussed, including the challenges of the one-person office, developing institutional support, recruiting and retaining international students, facilitating transfers to universities, professional development, and access to NAFSA resources and programs. The session will identify key issues facing community college international educators and provide ideas and resources for addressing them.

Scholar Advising Update

Ballroom IV

Chair: **Laura Welch**, University of Colorado at Denver

Presenters: **Steven Springer**, David Ware & Associates, **Laura Welch**, University of Colorado at Denver

KC Area = ISSS

This session will review recent developments in laws, regulations, and agency policies and processes of interest to scholar (faculty and staff) advisors. We will focus on the H and J nonimmigrant classifications and lawful permanent residence, but will address news concerning other classifications as well. We will also look ahead to anticipate developments on the horizon.

10:15 am—10:45 am

Break

Ballroom I & II

10:45 am—12:00 (noon)

Ballroom III

How Study Abroad Advisors Help Students Find Funding for International Study

Chair: **Ken Carpenter**, University of New Mexico

Presenters: **Karen Crouch**, Institute of International Education, **Ken Carpenter**, University of New Mexico
KC Area = EA

Good advising is essential in helping students compete nationally and internationally for study abroad grants such as Fulbright, Gilman, Freeman Asia, NSEP, Rotary, DAAD, Congress-Bundestag, British Council, etc. How can study abroad advisors help students find and apply for outside funding? How can you enlist others on campus to help? This will not be a workshop in how to apply for specific grants, but a broader look at how busy advisors can be most helpful to students on their campuses and also to the granting agencies.

Be Prepared: Education Abroad Security, Health and Safety

Uinta I & II

Chair: **Landes Holbrook**, Brigham Young University

Presenters: **Ines DeRomana**, University of California, **Grant Skabelund**, Utah Valley University, and **Christian Joyner**, Brigham Young University
KC Area = EA

University education abroad professionals will address growing challenges in travel, safety, and health. They will present how to effectively determine international risks, conduct security advance work/analysis, and creatively train students and faculty using good practices, industry standards and web-based materials. The goals of this section are: Effectively determine international security/safety and health risks; conduct international security advance work on proposed program sites and on-going security analysis; creatively and consistently train student participants, faculty and staff using good practices and industry/institutional security, safety, health resources and standards.

The Indian Mark System:

Grill Room

A Practical Guide to Determining Credit and Grade Equivalencies

Chair: **Timothy J. Kell**, Educational Credential Evaluators

Presenter: **Timothy J. Kell**, Educational Credential Evaluators
KC Area = RAP

Each year, India sends more students to the United States than any other foreign country. Having a practical and consistent method of converting Indian marks to US grades and credits is a need for most, if not nearly all international admission offices. This session will focus on a practical, hands-on approach to dealing with a variety of sample Indian credentials in order to determine grading and credit equivalencies.

SEVP Update

Ballroom IV

Chair: **Deborah Kuiken**, University of Arizona

Presenters: **JoAn Taylor**, SEVP Outreach, **Louis Farrell**, SEVP, **Elisabeth Royston**, SEVP, and **Amy Bullock**, SEVP
KC Area = ISSS/TLS/RAP

This session will provide updated initiatives and detail progress made since last year's conference such as the Fee Rule Initiative. It will also provide an overview of actions that can be taken on Active student records in SEVIS including: authorizing a reduced course load; authorizing or recommending employment and practical training; and the transfer process. Included in this session are reasons for Termination in SEVIS, tips on avoiding correction requests, and information on SEVIS enhancements.

12:00 (noon) - 2:00 pm

Crossing Roads with Your Colleagues

We know that the Region II NAFSA Conference keeps you hopping from one location to the next so that you scarcely have time to reconnect with colleagues and take time to see the beauty of the location. Please enjoy this time to rejuvenate and associate with your colleagues.

12:00 (noon) - 1:00 pm

Short Hike

Lobby

The mountains have always held an almost mystical fascination. There's nothing quite like hiking in Park City, where the air is cleaner and the temperature is cooler. Take a short easy hike with your colleagues just out the door of the Marriott Hotel. Total walking time: 60 minutes. Wear comfortable shoes, and bring water. This hike will be led by Kay Forsyth, Utah State University

12:15 pm—1:15 pm

Becoming a NAFSA Leader: Opportunities & Paths!

Uinta I & II

Chair: **Sara Thurston-Gonzalez**, Kansas State University

Presenters: **Christina Hertel**, University of Colorado at Denver, **Helen O'Keefe**, University of Northern Colorado, **Susan Thompson**, University of Nevada & NAFSA Board
KC Area = ALL

This session examines the benefits of volunteering in NAFSA, the areas where newcomers, mid-level managers and seasoned professionals can share their talents within the organization, the expectations of the leadership positions and the use of the Expertise Profile. There will be time for participants to ask questions of the leader/presenters.

2:00 pm—3:15 pm

Ballroom III

Getting the Right Students for the Right International Internships: Screening Students through a Preparation Course

Chair: **Danny Damron**, Brigham Young University

Presenters: **Danny Damron**, Brigham Young University, **Landes Holbrook**, Brigham Young University
KC Area = EA

This presentation will describe the process of designing and leading an internship preparation course. It will outline activities like assessing student suitability, preparing students for the academic components of an internship, promoting intercultural sensitivity, and developing good workplace skills. Attendees will learn how to design an effective preparation course; better understand the challenges of student selection and learn how to work through that process in a preparation course; and be better equipped to prepare students to perform well in internships where expectations differ significantly from expectations in the classroom.

2:00 pm—3:30 pm

Here Come the Chinese Millennials

Chair: **Daphne Johnson**, University of Kansas

Presenter: **Daphne Johnston**, University of Kansas

KC Area = RAP

Like many US institutions, are you both awed and challenged by the numbers and varieties of Chinese undergraduate applicants currently interested in pursuing study at your school? Join us in exploring the RAP response to the current trend of Chinese undergraduate interest in the US. We will examine the motivation, academic preparation, credentials, expectations, special needs and aspirations of the Chinese millennials. Join in our discussion of successful recruitment strategies, dealing with agents, admission policies and practices. Share special programs designed to address the unique needs and expectations of Chinese students in the USA.

Uinta I & II

Recertification Training

Chair: **Laura Welch**, University of Colorado at Denver

Presenters: **JoAn Taylor**, SEVP Outreach, **Louis Farrell**, SEVP, **Elisabeth Royston**, SEVP, and **Amy Bullock**, SEVP

KC Area = ISSS

SEVP anticipates that recertification will begin in 2009. To help schools prepare for this process, SEVP has developed a training module on petition updates. Petition updates serve as a proxy for school reporting requirements, one of the elements, besides bona fides and student reporting, that will be reviewed during recertification.

Ballroom IV

3:30 pm—4:00 pm

Break

Ballroom I & II

4:00 pm—5:15 pm

Best Practices for Community College International Offices

Chair: **Ken Bus**, Glendale Community College

Presenter: **Randy Bush**, Butler County Community College

KC Area = RAP/ISSS

Community Colleges are one of the best kept secrets of American higher education. International students lack accurate information about how they can access community colleges. Some community colleges are ill-prepared to offer the full range of services that F-1 students need. This session will present some of these issues by focusing on a "Best Practices" memorandum released by the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC).

Ballroom III

Strategies for Sexual Assault Response

Chair: **Liza Hensleigh**, University of Colorado-Boulder

Presenters: **Liza Hensleigh**, University of Colorado-Boulder, **Ann Halpin**, Abroadco Study Abroad

KC Area = EA

Covers strategies on how to respond to incidents of sex assault on study abroad programs. Includes working with sex assault victims, (appropriate vocabulary, resources, etc.) issues in reporting, and case study examples. Focuses on helpful skills, including working with primary and secondary victims.

Grill Room

3:45 pm—5:00 pm

Uinta I & II

Leadership for the 21st Century: Multicultural Skills for a Diverse World

Chair: **Claudia Giannetti**, University of Denver

Presenters: **Claudia Giannetti**, University of Denver, **Denise Pappas**, University of Denver

KC Area = ALL/IEL

There is a need to invest in the preparation of multicultural leaders for the 21st century who are open-minded, respect different worldviews, possess knowledge of diverse countries; and understand and reflect on diversity in the United States. Nowhere is this opportunity greater than at the intersection of study abroad programs and U.S. diversity programs and initiatives. This workshop will present the conceptual and practical dimensions of an initiative at the University of Denver entitled: Leadership for the 21st Century Program: Multicultural Skills for a Diverse World.

Advising Students Processing toward Lawful Permanent Residence

Ballroom IV

Chair: **Tina Tan**, University of Colorado-Boulder

Presenter: **Steve Springer**, David Ware & Associates

KC Area = ISSS

International student advisors regularly encounter students pursuing one of the several routes to lawful permanent residence (a green card). These students often present complex advising situations. In addition to questions about the process in which they're engaged, students have questions about whether they can maintain their nonimmigrant status, when to abandon it, the consequences of abandonment, whether or how they may re-enter the U.S. after travel abroad, and whether such travel will harm the process, among others. This session will review the routes to lawful permanent residence, address the advisor's role, and provide useful information for answering students' questions.

6:15 pm—9:00 pm

Historic City Tour/Pub Crawl *(ticket required)*

Meet in Lobby

Meet in the hotel lobby first before going to Main Street by bus. The walking tour starts at the top of Main Street where several old boarding houses are located. We will explore the history of the town by looking at historic architecture, listening to fascinating stories about saloons, ghosts and Parkites reinventing themselves over the years to be able to make a living in this town. The tour takes about one hour and will end at the bottom of Main Street (Main @ Heber). Afterwards, participants are welcome to join us at several historic saloons for a drink.



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10:15 am—11:30 am**Global Nomads / Third Culture Kids:****Uinta I & II****Who are they and how can we serve them?**Chair: **Sara Thurston-Gonzalez**, Kansas State UniversityPresenters: **Sara Thurston-Gonzalez**, Kansas State University, **Lynne Warner**, Colorado State University

KC Area = ALL

Third culture kids/global nomads (interchangeable terms) are youth who have spent all or many years of their childhood living abroad due to their parents' employment. Creating a better understanding of these students is crucial in order to create a more welcoming campus during admissions and once they have arrived.

Technology and Communication in Education Abroad Experiences**Ballroom III**Chair: **Danny Damron**, Brigham Young UniversityPresenters: **Danny Damron**, Brigham Young University, **Barbara Fleming**, Arizona State University,**Cynthia Banks**, AustralLearn / AsiaLearn / EuroLearn

KC Area = EA

This session will offer attendees two approaches to technology and communication in education abroad experiences. The first will focus on current uses of technology in education abroad. It will explore ways to make small changes that minimize environmental impacts and create efficiencies which save fragile resources, money and time. The second will explore several modes of facilitating communication and information sharing between students, program administrators, supervising faculty, and host country contacts in education abroad experiences. It will outline and assess information sharing and communication via Facebook groups, blogs, print material, and E-Platform technology (Blackboard, WebCT).

The NAFSA Academy**Grill Room**Chair: **Helen O'Keefe**, University of Northern ColoradoPresenters: **Helen O'Keefe**, University of Northern Colorado, **Kevin Green**, Brigham Young University,**Courtney Jacobson**, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

KC Area = ALL

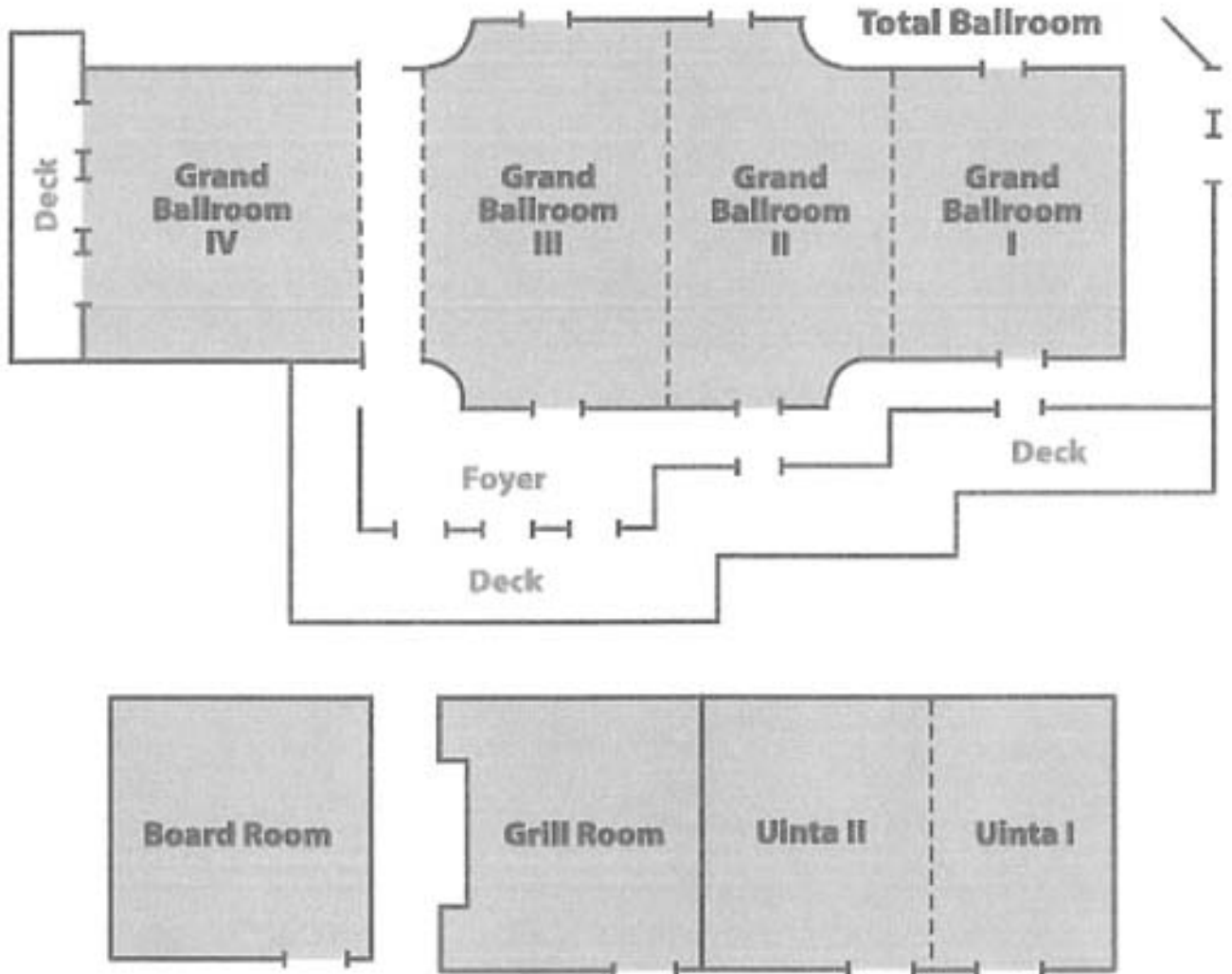
NAFSA's Academy for International Education will graduate its fifth class at this fall's Regional Conferences. Take this chance to find out why the Academy is a tremendous professional development opportunity and how you can get involved. After an informal panel presentation, there will be plenty of time for Q&A with our regional coach and this year's academy participants.

Black and White and then there's Grey Where to Find Answers**Ballroom IV**Chair: **Shama Ali**, Creighton UniversityPresenters: **Deborah Kuiken**, University of Arizona, **Shama Ali**, Creighton University

KC Area = ISSS

Government policy is considered to be "black and white" because the immigrations regulations are contained in a Federal Code of Regulations. However, real-life student situations, combined with school policy and personal interpretation contribute to the "grey" that international advisors face everyday. This presentation will supply you with the resources to help you work with these 'grey' areas in F-1 immigration regulations. There will be opportunity for case study discussions and/or a question/answer period.

Facility Map



Tent / Outdoor Pavilion

The Tent/Outdoor Pavilion is located on the ground/lobby level (hotel floor 2) near the Uinta rooms and Park City Grill (our restaurant). There is a large sign on the wall with an arrow that directs people to the correct location. You can also access the tent/pavilion from the Ballroom Balcony. There are deck stairs and the tent is clearly visible from the deck.



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