Dear Friends and Colleagues of the IEDP,

Welcome back to a new semester from the International Educational Development Program at Penn! Classes officially started on January 9th and we have all been re-adjusting to life at Penn after a much-needed winter break. We’d also like to congratulate the most recent IEDP graduates, Amy Descovich, Maria Aguirre and Naoko Asano Enomoto: we miss you already!

Before the break in mid-December some of the IEDP cohort (pictured above) headed down to Washington D.C. to attend a career fair organized by the career centers of Penn, NYU, and George Washington University that comprised government, NGO and non-profit organizations. It was a great opportunity to begin networking with possible future employers.

In early February we look forward to welcoming Dr. Fida Adely from Georgetown University to speak about her work on gender and development in the Middle East. We will also be reading her book, Gendered Paradoxes. Educating Jordanian Women in Nation, Faith and Progress in the International Fieldwork Course required this semester for all IEDP students.

In this month's newsletter, learn about Dr. Hornberger's work that spans four continents, read up on life after the IEDP program
from an alumna, and get excited for some great upcoming IEDP social events. We wish you all a successful start to the new semester!

Sincerely,

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FACULTY SPOTLIGHT
DR. NANCY HORNBERGER

This month we highlight the work of Dr. Nancy H. Hornberger, a core faculty member of the international educational development program. Dr. Hornberger is a leader in the field of indigenous language education policy and practice, working on long-term comparative studies and projects involving the indigenous languages of Quechua in Peru and Bolivia, Sami in Sweden, Maori in New Zealand, and Zulu and Sepedi in South Africa. This semester she is teaching a course on sociolinguistics.

Her interest in indigenous languages began when she traveled to Peru as an undergraduate to work at a school where the majority of students were Quechua speakers. After a number of years, Dr. Hornberger returned to Peru to work at a local ministry of education office at a time of major social change, when Quechua was made an official state language and bilingual programs were being implemented. She continues to work with Quechua in Peru and Bolivia. In 2012 she spoke at the Catholic University in Lima, participated in a policy-level meeting on Peru’s New Law of Languages at the Ministry of Culture, and visited a Quechua-Spanish bilingual school in highland Andahuaylas.

Dr. Hornberger’s expertise on indigenous language revitalization in higher education was solicited by two universities in South Africa. At the University of Limpopo in the north of the country, the IEDP tumblr is a visual diary of the program’s social and academic lives. You can follow the blog here.

Upcoming Lecture Series
Spring 2013

Fida J. Adely
Georgetown University
February 2

Pasi Sahlberg
CIMO (Finland)
March 18

Jordan Naidoo
UNICEF
TBD

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she helped to develop a dual-language undergraduate program, where an equal number of courses are taught in both English and Sepedi. The program emphasizes the valuing of languages and encourages free code-switching. At the University of KwaZulu-Natal in the Zulu-speaking east-center of South Africa, Dr. Hornberger taught workshops and led meetings with faculty on planning the incorporation of Zulu into the university's curriculum.

In 2012 Dr. Hornberger was the keynote speaker at the Culturally Responsive Research and Pedagogy Symposium at the University of Waikato and visited Maori immersion schools there. She is also Visiting Professor at the University of Umea, Sweden, and meets with Sami language scholars and activists about new research, policy, and language teacher education initiatives. She plans to return to Sweden this coming summer.

Dr. Hornberger attributes her inspiration and passion for the field of indigenous language revitalization and language education policy to the people she is introduced to through her work. Many of the people she has worked with are true visionaries, and despite all obstacles, are completely committed to teaching and revitalizing their languages. Learn more about Dr. Hornberger by visiting her [website](#).

**ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT**

**SEARA MOON**

Every month we will highlight one former IEDP student and their activities since graduating from Penn. This month we introduce you to Seara Moon (IEDP Class of 2012).

After completing my summer internship at [UNESCO Institute of Lifelong Learning](#) at Hamburg, Germany, I started my current Master’s program at New York University in Human Resource Management and Development.

While the decision to pursue another degree was a very last minute decision, I was very fortunate to have gotten accepted with a fellowship at NYU. I truly love what I am studying! I juggle school and work daily, but since more than 95% my NYU program cohort have full time jobs in the field of HR Management, I find incredible support and a sense of community there.

I also started working at Conduct & Discipline Unit in the Department of Field Support at the United Nations Headquarters in New York City in December 2012. My duties at the current job is in...
the area of employee relations within human resources. I track UN employee conduct violations, including sexual exploitation and harassment in UN peacekeeping mission sites, recommend policies regarding employee conduct, design victim assistance programs, recruit personnel (I recruit a lot of interns/junior personnel) for the UN, etc. I am very fortunate that I get to utilize my knowledge from both my HR degree and my IEDP degree in my current job. After this post, I will decide whether to focus heavily on recruitment for the UN or to other areas of HR management, such as training & development or employee relations, within the UN.

On a personal note, I am enjoying the Big Apple very much. When I started my IEDP degree at Penn, I planned to work at the UN Headquarters and live in the greater NYC area after completion, so all my goals have been met so far!

**Upcoming Social Events with the IEDP**

**Monday, January 21st** -  
Chinese Hot Pot dinner at E Mei Restaurant and Karaoke in Chinatown, 4:00pm

**Friday, January 25th** -  
Chestnut Hill outing and drinks in downtown Philly

**Thursday, January 31** -  
Board game and pizza night at Laura Humphrey's house

**Wednesday, February 13** -  
Drinks in downtown Philly

**Wednesday, February 27** -  
Movie Night

**Friday and Saturday, April 12th - 13th** -  
[International Education Conference](http://www.iedp.org/conference/), New York University with an overnight stay and day in New York