



# Global Partners in Education

## UpComing

### GPE IV - 2011

The Fourth Annual Global Partners in Education conference (GPE IV) is being hosted from May 9-11, 2011 in a virtual environment this year. The virtual environment will provide an opportunity for all participants to attend synchronous sessions linked with asynchronous content and discussion. We are looking forward to a productive conference with lively discussion focusing on student preparation and strong partner development. It will be an exciting time for us all! All information will be posted on the GPE website.



### USIL

Professor Samantha Lanaway is now the GPE Coordinator at USIL in Peru. Samantha is serving as our president and we appreciate her service.



## Global Partners in Education News & Reports

### New GPE Website

The new GPE website, <http://thegpe.org>, is up and running and provides information about the organization and activities. Teacher resources are located under the "Global Understanding" tab. GPE members are encouraged to submit material about their countries / cultures / universities for inclusion on the teacher's resources page.

### New Partners

The GPE has grown and we welcome new partners in Egypt, India, Iraq, Mexico, The Netherlands, Pakistan and Poland. The organization is actively seeking partners in many areas.

### GPE III -2010

The Third Annual Global Partners in Education conference (GPE III) was held in Lima Peru, May 17-20, 2010. Discussions centered around improving student experience and providing opportunities for faculty to share their experiences in the program. The initial meeting of the GPE Journal editorial board was conducted. Other activities at GPE III resulted in the production of the 2009-2010 GPE Annual Report and the collection and distribution of common phrases from each partner country in their native language for use during class.

### Work Group- The CORE

A GPE work group, led by Dr. Jami Leibowitz, has created a document that describes the core elements of the Global Understanding course. The Core includes practical information about integrating the course into each curriculum and the operation of the course. The Core represents the minimum expectations for all members. The Core will be distributed via the GPE website and Dr. Leibowitz will formally present the Core at GPE IV for discussion and approval.

### Vignettes

The GPE Vignettes project is underway and scheduled to be completed by early summer, 2011. The Vignettes project is collecting student responses to four common questions from all GPE partners. These vignettes will be placed on DVD and on the GPE website to be used in the Global Understanding course when regular connectivity breaks down. The GPE Vignettes will be formally introduced at GPE IV.

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