2015 OACAC Institute; More than just a pre-conference!
The OACAC Institutes brings expert faculty together to offer 2 days of specific training in an intentional networking, collaborative and hands-on manner prior to this year’s annual OACAC conference. Whether a seasoned or new professional to the field, Institute curriculum will offer you the knowledge, information and ideas to enhance your work as you serve students around the world. The Institute is brought to you in collaboration with OACAC Professional Development Committee and the OACAC Inclusion, Access & Success Committee.

Schedule at a Glance

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*First Timers Session begins at 2:30pm and Opening OACAC Conference begins at 4:30pm on Tuesday, July 7. The Institute will conclude in time to attend.

Is there an Institute for you?

OACAC Institute:
U.S. Financial Aid for International High School Counselors
Wish you had more knowledge about how to counsel international students seeking financial aid? Learn how to be a more effective counselor to F-1 students and US citizens abroad through sessions that include financial aid case studies, CSS profile and ISFAA forms, merit scholarships at public and private universities, preferential packaging, and how financial need is determined in a financial aid office. This two-day Institute will help you be a more effective counselor when it comes to helping students afford and access higher education in the United States.

Faculty include professionals from: Lafayette College, Connecticut College, University of Oregon, Indiana University, Vanderbilt University, Tufts University, Texas Christian University, Swarthmore, Trinity University, African Leadership Academy, American School of Quito, United World College of SE Asia.

"Learned about the most common mistakes on the financial aid application." – 2014 attendee
"I gained a better understanding of methodologies on the universities’ side when assessing financial need." – 2014 attendee
OACAC Institute:
International High School Counseling 101
Are you a high school guidance or college counselor with 0-3 years of experience internationally? Through hands on case studies, participants will gain insight into both holistic and credential-driven admissions systems (Europe, UK, Canada & Australia); while also diving into the specifics areas of school profiles, transcripts and counselor recommendations. Through examples, advice and feedback from both sides of the desk, we hope two days with us will leave you with building a more dynamic counseling program.

Faculty are professionals from Connecticut College, Boston University, James Madison University, University of La Verne, NYU Abu Dhabi, United World College South East Asia- East Campus, Ridley College, Aiglon College, American School of London, Shanghai American School Puxi and NIST Thailand.

"As a first timer, I gained tons of knowledge from admission officers and experienced counselors." – 2014 attendee
"How to run a comprehensive college counseling program. There are many pieces to the puzzle and I felt the Institute offered great sessions in order to assist on different topics" – 2014 attendee
"I liked sitting around a table with three applications, discussing the merits of each applicant and having these views validated (or not) by experienced university admissions officers." – 2014 attendee

OACAC Institute:
International Admissions 101
Are you new (0-3 years) to international admissions? Come join us for in depth sessions on foreign credential evaluation, data management, international recruitment travel and building a strategic communication plan. Weather a part of an international admission team or a one-person office the topics covered and the networking with international high school counselors and seasoned international admission professionals over two days will create a solid foundation of skills and have some fun too!

Faculty include professionals from AACRAO, Indiana University, Flagler College, Furman University and University of San Francisco

"Great to hear how other universities work on their self-assessment before planning their recruitment and how they make different approach depending on countries and culture." – 2014 attendee
"The session on how to assess A-Levels and IB Diplomas was interesting and informative." – 2014 attendee
"This was a good overview and gave me some ideas on resources to use for gathering data." – 2014 attendee