

# The Intercultural Communication Institute

# **Dear SIIC Fellows Program Applicant,**

We are so pleased that you are interested in becoming a Fellow for the 2018 Summer Institute for Intercultural Communication (SIIC). We have enclosed the application materials and look forward to hearing from you.

The environment at the Summer Institute, held on the Reed College campus in Portland, Oregon, is characterized by its intensity, its commitment to the professional development of its participants, its lively and interactive approach to learning, and the respectful and supportive atmosphere in which it all takes place. The role of the Fellow has a long and distinguished history at SIIC. Being a Fellow is a powerful way to connect with other professionals in the intercultural field in an intellectually stimulating but informal environment.

The SIIC Fellows Program will immerse you in the world of intercultural relations. It offers a unique opportunity to explore and assess career direction, to commit to a personal intercultural practice, and to learn about intercultural team development by working directly with other SIIC Fellows, staff, and faculty. It is a combination of a mentoring program and an extensive behind-the-scenes Summer Institute experience. Our Fellows typically range in age from 25 to 70 and come from dozens of different cultures and professions. Approximately 30 Fellows will be chosen for 2018. This is one of two SIIC programs with a formal selection process. The other is the New Interculturalists Program; details about that program can be found on our website.

## What are the dates of the SIIC Fellows Program? July 4-21, 2018

#### What do Fellows do?

During the special Fellows Session, in the week preceding the start of Session I, Fellows receive professional development in multicultural team processes based on the practice of Personal Leadership. There is a strong emphasis on collaborative learning and a rare opportunity for diverse individuals to examine the role of intercultural communication in their lives.

During Sessions I and II A, Fellows participate in workshops, provide support to SIIC faculty and staff, and help facilitate communication among participants. During Session II A, they also have the chance to discuss design and group process issues with the faculty. Throughout the program, Fellows help keep SIIC running smoothly in a variety of roles, from event set-up and hosting to assisting participants in the library and bookstore. The Fellows become an integral part of the SIIC team and gain a sense of the Summer Institute culture from the inside out. Fellows may apply for and earn credit towards an Intercultural Foundation Certificate that acknowledges their learning and training at SIIC.

#### What are the criteria for selection?

- Some knowledge of the intercultural field
- Professional experience or at least graduate student status
- Commitment to a career in the fields related to intercultural relations
- Enthusiasm for working in a support/service capacity while participating in workshops and learning activities at the Summer Institute

## When are the deadlines?

The deadline for international applicants needing visas is Friday, April 27, 2018. All other applications will be accepted until Friday, May 25, 2018. Occasionally we are able to accept late applications under special circumstances; please check with us.

# What are the costs?

Financially, the SIIC Fellows Program represents a significant tuition discount. Fellows pay reduced tuition, room, and board in exchange for their assistance at SIIC. The total cost for the SIIC Fellows Program (tuition, room, and board) is \$3020.

#### What does that include?

- Three workshops: A special session for Fellows, Personal Leadership: Exploring Intercultural Teamwork, taught by Gordon Watanabe, held July 5-10, and participation in workshops during Sessions I and II A.
- Housing (arriving Wednesday July 4th, and departing Saturday, July 21st): To help facilitate
  group cohesion, all Fellows stay on campus. They are housed with other Fellows of the same
  gender (unless otherwise requested) in semi-private double rooms. A semi-private double has two
  beds in one large room divided by a partition wall. Rooms are in modern residence halls with
  same-gender shared bathrooms.
- All meals during the program
- Evening programs, socials, and special Fellow-centered activities

## How do I select my workshops?

During the Fellows Program, all Fellows participate in a special session on intercultural team building based on the practice of Personal Leadership. During Sessions I and II A, Fellows participate in workshops appropriate to their interests.

For Sessions I and II A, please indicate your preferred workshop choices.

During the selection process it is very helpful for us to know which workshops you would be willing to consider. Please indicate your flexibility in workshop choices, and be sure to let us know why you want to take each of the workshops (see Section III. GENERAL, question 2).

#### How and when will I know if I am selected?

The faculty committee reviews all applications in May and will inform you of their decision in early June via telephone. (International applicants will receive earlier notification.) Because of the extensive selection process, only on rare occasions will applicants receive notice before mid-May.

## If I am selected, what should I do next?

Make your travel arrangements! The SIIC Fellows Program is July 4-21, 2018. You should plan to arrive at Reed College no later than 6:00 p.m. PDT, Wednesday July 4th, and depart no sooner than 3:00 p.m. PDT, Saturday, July 21rd.

The address of Reed College is 3203 SE Woodstock Blvd., Portland, Oregon 97202 USA. The Portland International Airport (airport code PDX) serves Portland.

More detailed information and directions will be provided later.

## How do I apply?

Email, fax, or mail your SIIC Fellows application form and SIIC Fellows registration form to:

The Intercultural Communication Institute 8835 SW Canyon Lane, Suite 238, Portland, OR 97225 USA

Phone: (503) 297-4622 • Fax: (503) 297-4695

Email: ici@intercultural.org • Website: www.intercultural.org

Make sure you also send the \$150 deposit, your current resume, and a phone number where we can contact you between May 1 and July 4.

We appreciate your interest in the Summer Institute Fellows Program. If you have any questions, please visit our website or contact us via email or phone. We look forward to meeting you this summer!

Sincerely,

Janet Bennett, Ph.D.

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# Responsibilities of the SIIC Fellows

As a SIIC Fellow, you have responsibilities within the Fellows group, within the workshop, and within the Institute more generally. These are outlined for you here.

# 1. Within the Fellows Group

- A. Contributing your own personal and intercultural experience to the learning process
- B. Developing an awareness of, and sharing responsibility for, the group's intercultural teambuilding process
- C. Developing an awareness of and taking responsibility for identifying and acting on necessary tasks
- D. Participating in both scheduled and ongoing team analysis activities
- E. Cheerfully joining in the process of setting up and maintaining the Institute (flower arranging, posters, room checks, etc.)

# 2. Within the Workshop

# A. Preparation

- 1. Preparing the classroom before each class session
- 2. Setting up audiovisual equipment as necessary for the session
- 3. Meeting any special requests from your faculty member(s)

# B. Workshop Duties

- 1. Making sure every participant has necessary workshop materials
- 2. On the first day, confirming that participants are in the correct workshop and noting on the roster that each has received a workshop packet
- 3. On the first day, circulating the roster to participants for them to note corrections or changes, and returning it to the SIIC office at the lunch break
- 4. Helping to answer participants' questions regarding logistical needs and procedures
- 5. Assisting your faculty member(s) in any way necessary, from running small errands and co-facilitating parts of the session to getting them coffee when they are surrounded by participants during breaks (as requested)
- 6. Casually networking with participants to assess both their intellectual and emotional responses to the workshop and communicating these to your faculty member(s)
- 7. Being in tune with potential conflicts and problems within your workshop and communicating them to your faculty member(s) or the appropriate staff person

- 8. Assisting your faculty member(s) in facilitating the group process when necessary and as requested
- 9. Giving the daily feedback forms to faculty for their distribution to participants, if they choose to use them
- 10. Providing yourself the opportunity to get maximum benefit from the workshop "content" as well (don't short-change your own learning experience!)

# C. After the Workshop

- 1. Preparing rooms for the next day
- 2. Returning audio-visual equipment as arranged with the AV coordinator

# 3. General Institute Responsibilities

- A. Exhibiting grace under pressure!
- B. Providing general care-taking of all participants. We count on the Fellows to be purveyors of SIIC culture, and to assist participants in having the most positive experience possible
- C. Providing approximately 15 hours (actual number of hours to be determined) of general assistance to SIIC in the bookstore, during the evening socials, driving faculty shuttles, and as otherwise requested
- D. Checking the bulletin boards daily for messages, schedule changes, etc.
- E. Checking your Fellow mailbox in the morning and evening at least!
- F. Understanding how best to facilitate interaction between faculty and participants (goal: preserving faculty health in the context of meeting participants' needs)
- G. Representing SIIC to participants
- H. Responding to participants' needs as they arise
- I. Maintaining liaison with Fellow faculty, SIIC staff, and with your team
- J. Making special efforts to "integrate" the daytime students into evening activities (both intellectual and social)
- K. Providing campus orientation
- L. Delivering and collecting evening program evaluation forms
- M. Seeing what needs to be done and helping to do it

# 2018 Summer Institute for Intercultural Communication (SIIC) FELLOWS APPLICATION

APPLICATION DUE DATES: For international applicants, Friday, April 27, 2018. For all other applicants: Friday, May 25, 2018.

Name:	Gender:
Address:	
	State/Province:
Zip:	Country:
Home phone:	Work phone:
Mobile phone:	Fax:
Email:	Skype:
	ellows Program, would you like to be considered for the New ram info at www.intercultural.org)? Yes No
Address:	
	Work phone:
Email:	Fax:
Please write the workshop number a	nd title for your first, second, and third choice:
Session I 1.	Session II A 1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
Have you attended SIIC previously?	If so, when and what courses did you take?
REFERENCES Please list two references that we r	nay contact:
Name and title:	
rame and title.	Phone:
Name and title:	Phone:

Please provide thorough answers to the following questions. Attach additional pages as necessary.

#### I. ACADEMIC TRAINING

- 1. What courses have you taken in intercultural communication? Please list title, level, institution, and faculty member.
- 2. Are there any other courses you have taken that you feel are relevant to the goals of the Institute? Please list title, level, institution, and faculty member.

## II. EXPERIENCE WITH OTHER CULTURES

- 1. Tell us a little about who you are, your cultural background, and what perspective you bring to SIIC.
- 2. Have you lived six months or more in a culture different from your own? Where? Why?
- 3. What cultures do you feel most knowledgeable about? Why?
- 4. What experience have you had as a member of an intercultural team?
- 5. What experiences have you had performing community service?
- 6. What language(s) can you speak?

#### III. GENERAL

- 1. What is your career goal?
- 2. Why do you want to take the specific workshop(s) you requested?
- 3. What other skills would you bring to the Fellows group (for example: van driving, flower arranging, cash register skills, experience in catering, food service, libraries, bookstores, or conference operations, etc.)?
- 4. How did you hear about the Institute?

# **2018 SIIC FELLOWS REGISTRATION FORM**

Please print clearly.

Name	Gender
First name or nickname for nametag	
Organization	Title
Mailing address	
This address is □ Home □ Work □ Both	
Home phone	Work phone
Mobile phone	Fax
Email	Skype
In case of an emergency, we should contact:	
Name	Relationship
Phone: Home/Mobile	
Dietary Restriction: □ Vegetarian □ Vegan □	Other
This will be my: □ 1st □ 2nd or more year at S	IIC
WORKSHOP SELECTIONS (during Fellow	s Program)
Special Fellows Session (July 5-10): Workshop Teamwork	Title: Personal Leadership: Exploring Intercultural
Session I (July 11-13)	
1st choice: Workshop:	
2nd choice: Workshop:	
Session II A (July 16-20)	
1st choice: Workshop:	
2nd choice: Workshop:	

Fellows Program: On-campus Semi-private Double: \$TBA (US)

Name Fellows Program	m fee (US): <u>\$3020</u>
OPTIONAL: SESSION III A or III B (not part of the Fellow program, add	itional
cost) Session III A (July 23-27)	
1st choice: Workshop:	
2nd choice: Workshop:	
☐ Off-campus participant: \$1895	
☐ On-campus participant: \$2600	
☐ Early-bird Discount -\$75*	\$
Session III B (July 23-25)	
1st choice: Workshop:	
2nd choice: Workshop:	
☐ Off-campus participant: \$1175	
□ On-campus participant: \$1750	
□ Early-bird Discount -\$50*	\$
☐ Discount of \$50 for Session III workshop for former SIIC participants or MAIR students/alumni. Years attended or Cohort #	\$
*Early-bird discount requires payment in full by June 1, 2018	
EXTRA NIGHT(S) REQUESTED	
□ July 2 □ July 3	\$
□ July 22 □ July 23	\$
	TOTAL: US \$
AMOUNT OF CURRENT PAYMENT	
□ \$150 deposit only (Final payment due prior to arrival.) □ Total fe	e
METHOD OF PAYMENT	
□ U.S. bank check or money order (enclosed) □ Purchase order #	
□ MasterCard □ VISA □ AmEx Credit Card#	
Expiration date Security code Signature	
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# **CHECKLIST** FOR SIIC FELLOWS PROGRAM APPLICATION

(Due Friday, April 27, 2018 for early acceptance, particularly for international applicants needing visas. Applications will be accepted until Friday, May 25, 2018.)

HAVE YOU INCLUDED:
☐ The SIIC Fellows application form?
☐ The SIIC Fellows registration form? (We cannot register you without it.)
□ A \$150 deposit?
□ Your current resume?
☐ A phone number where we can contact you between May 1 and July 4?
A faculty committee will review all applications in May and inform you of their decisions in early Junvia telephone.
Many thanks!