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PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS

The Welcome Project©

The Welcome Project© is a joint endeavor between ACEI and iTEP International offering individuals classified as refugees assistance with the evaluation of their academic credentials for U.S. educational equivalence and determine their English language proficiency through an approved language assessment test.

The Welcome Project combines both the international credential evaluation and English language proficiency testing to assist

individuals at the onset of their resettlement in the U.S. These individuals will be able to receive recognition of their educational achievements and language competency. Such recognition will enable them to integrate into their new adopted community much faster as they set out to pursue employment opportunities and further their education. For more information on how you can participate in The Welcome Project, please contact ACEI's President & CEO Jasmin Saidi-Kuehnert at jasmin@acei-global.org.

Scottish Qualifications Authority

ACEI is proud to announce its partnership with the Scottish Qualifications Authority (SQA) through the publication of the ACEI's Advisory Services 'Program/Curriculum Review' Report, which provides detailed analysis of four of SQA's Advanced Qualifications. The report, based on ACEI's key principles in international credential/program evaluation, gives higher education institutions in the United States a better understanding of the value of SQA qualifications, the caliber of those who have achieved them, and how they compare with programs of study offered in universities and colleges across the United States. For more information on the SQA, please contact ACEI's President & CEO Jasmin Saidi-Kuehnert at jasmin@acei-global.org.

CONFERENCES

ACEI participated in the TAICEP conference where President & CEO, Jasmin Saidi-Kuehnert presented a session with Melanie Gottlieb, Deputy Director of AACRAO on "*Understanding Different Evaluation Philosophies*" .

ACEI also participated as an exhibitor at the NAFSA Region XII Conference in Reno, NV, where Jasmin Saidi-Kuehnert presented a session with Zepur Solakian, President, CGACC on "*An Evaluator's Guide on Institutional Recognition and Accreditation.*" Interested in a copy of the presentation? Please email acei@acei-global.org.

We are also pleased to have Jasmin Saidi-Kuehnert representing ACEI on a number of AACRAO committees and working groups such as the Working Group developing a Policy Paper on Inclusive

Admissions Policies for Displaced/Vulnerable Students and serving as Chair of the International Education Standards Committee that oversees country education profiles, and approves the credential advice for AACRAO's Electronic Database on Global Education (EDGE).

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CHINA

What Will Chinese Students Do Without the SAT?

As US institutions reconsider standardized tests such as the SAT as a condition for admission, Chinese students who are traditionally accustomed to rote preparation are facing a dilemma. To read more, click [here](#).

China Launches First Research-Oriented University
Westlake University is China's first private research-oriented university, which is backed by the country's big businesses and recognized by the government, was officially inaugurated on October 20th in Hangzhou, East China's Zhejiang Province. To read more, click [here](#)

Downgrading Degrees of Mediocre Students
Universities' longstanding leniency in granting bachelor's degrees to underperforming students is coming to an end. To read more, click [here](#)



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COLOMBIA

Protests in Support of Public Education

Students in Colombia are protesting in defense of protecting public education. To read more, click [here](#)



GHANA

Kaaf University: Quick Profile

Interested in learning about Kaaf University, its admission requirements, and program offerings? Click [here](#)



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Iranian Labour News Agency

IRAN

Nationwide Teachers Strike

A nationwide strike by teachers who took part in sit-ins at elementary and high schools in more than a dozen cities took place on October 14–15. The central demand of the strike was “educational justice”. To read more, click [here](#).

IRAQ

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Countries for Graduate Studies

Iraqi students are pursuing their graduate studies at public universities in Iran, India, and Turkey, where access is not difficult and fees are affordable, and most importantly their degrees are recognized by the Iraqi Ministry of Education. To read more, click [here](#).

IRELAND



Internationalization of Higher Education

Ireland is looking at ways it can increase its international student population. To read more, click [here](#).



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NIGERIA

College of Education Shut Indefinitely

The Adeyemi College of Education, Ondo State, has been shut indefinitely following the strike of College of Education Academic Staff Union (COESU) strike. To read more, click [here](#).



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SOUTH AFRICA

South African Universities Rank High for Business and Law Studies

According to the latest subject rankings published by The Times Higher Education World University, South African universities rank high for those looking to study business and law. To read more, click [here](#).



SYRIA

Turkey Launches Vocational Training in Syria

Turkish University, Gazientep University, has opened a vocational training school in the northwestern Syrian city of Jarabulus. To read more, click [here](#).

THE WORLD

Essay Mills, Plagiarism and Cheating in Academe



In a recent article in Forbes, the

author writes about the rise of essay mills and how countries such as New Zealand and Australia have imposed a ban, and the UK is also looking into doing the same. To read more, click [here](#)



UNITED KINGDOM

Birmingham Accepts the Gaokao

The University of Birmingham will accept Chinese students with the gaokao in lieu of the GCE Advanced Levels or the International Baccalaureate. To read more, click [here](#).



Scottish Vocational Qualifications

Introducing the Advanced Certificate and Advanced Diploma programs for students outside Scotland. To read more, click [here](#).

U.S.A.

Tuition-Free Education at University of Virginia



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The University of Virginia's new president, Jim Ryan, announced during his inaugural ceremony that some in-state students will be able to attend the school tuition-free.

To read more, click [here](#).

Upcoming Events in November 2018



November 4–7

The Association of International Credential Evaluators, Inc. (AICE) will be an exhibitor at the TACRAO Conference in Fort Worth, TX. (ACEI is a Charter and Endorsed Member of the AICE). For more information, click [here](#).

November 11–14

“Strategic Enrollment Management Conference”, hosted by the

American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (AACRAO) in Washington, D.C. For more information, click [here](#).

November 18–19

ACEI's President & CEO, Jasmin Saidi-Kuehnert will be attending the annual meeting of AACRAO's International Education Standards Council (IESC) in Austin, TX.

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