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**Association of International Education Administrators Announces
2024-2025 Thematic Forums**

Durham, NC [October 15, 2024] – The Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA) is pleased to announce the four AIEA Thematic Forums being hosted in 2024-2025. These forums provide an important opportunity for international education leaders to come together and explore critical issues in global engagement and internationalization in higher education.

This year's forums will explore diverse themes across four events:

[Global Workforce Development: A Community College and University Approach to Preparing Learners for Global Competence](#)

Kansas City Kansas Community College
November 19, 2024

This forum will address the vital role of international education in preparing graduates to succeed in a diverse, interconnected world. Key forum objectives include enhancing career opportunities, strengthening industry-academia partnerships, and broadening networking platforms.

[Advancing Internationalization in Higher Education During Times of Political Interference](#)

Texas A&M University
February 28, 2025

This forum will address how higher education institutions can navigate political pressures, legislative mandates, and increasing uncertainty, while still advancing their mission. Participants will explore ways to reframe challenges as opportunities, identify policies impacting U.S. higher education, and discuss strategies for achieving institutional goals in compliance with federal and state regulations.



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Developing Globally Engaged Institutions: Strategies for Navigating Global Operations

James Madison University
April 3-4, 2025

This forum will address how Senior International Officers (SIOs) can effectively manage and sustain global operations while advocating for them at various institutional levels. Participants will explore best practices for overseeing global projects, navigating regulations, and tackling financial and compliance challenges to drive comprehensive internationalization.

Coaching and Critical Intercultural Learning: Towards a New Approach for Global Education

Lehigh University
April 8-9, 2025

This forum will address how coaching can enhance intercultural learning and support global education by shifting the focus from a learning to a coaching culture. Participants will explore how coaching fosters belonging, reflective learning, leadership development, and inclusive work cultures, while equipping international education leaders with practical strategies to engage these concepts in their institutions.

AIEA Thematic Forums are designed to foster in-depth engagement on timely issues relevant to international education leaders. These events offer a unique platform for sharing best practices, addressing challenges, and exploring innovative solutions for advancing internationalization in higher education.

AIEA encourages both U.S.-based and international members to participate in the program, emphasizing the global nature of higher education today. Forums are led by members at their institutions, who also oversee event promotion and outreach.

AIEA congratulates and thanks the member hosts of the 2024-2025 Thematic Forums.



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About AIEA:

The Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA) is a member organization that equips leaders to shape the future of higher education in a global context.

AIEA advances strategic transformational approaches to internationalization of higher education; empowers those who lead such efforts; convenes global conversation on key issues; and partners with other organizations around the world to develop sustainable, forward-looking perspectives.

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