# "U.S. Department of Commerce Support for Higher Education"

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## Promoting U.S. Higher Education

## Make the most of government resources

- U.S. Commercial Service
  - U.S. Department of Commerce
    - **Export Assistance Centers**
- U.S. Department of State
  - Bureau of Educational & Cultural Affairs
- State Departments of Economic Development / Tourism

## Identify overseas partners

- U.S. Commercial Service International Offices
- U.S. Department of State EducationUSA Advising Centers
- State Trade/Tourism Offices Overseas







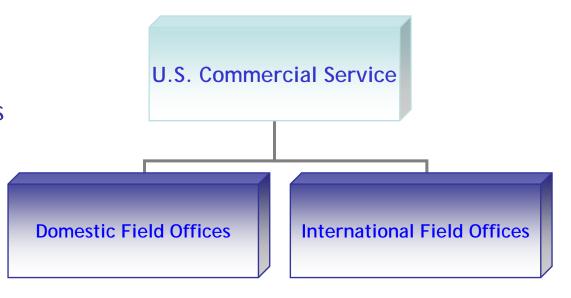
#### **Network:**

150 offices in 80 countries

~1,200 trade professionals

100 offices across U.S.

Each New England statePolicy Analysts in DC HQ



#### **Mission:**

- Promote the exports of U.S. goods and services
- Increase international student enrollments across U.S.

## **Primary Education Industry Clients:**

• U.S. community colleges, 4-year colleges and universities, graduate schools, Intensive English Programs & high schools





#### Services for Educational Institutions:

Market Research
Webinars and Virtual Fairs
Overseas Contacts
Trade Promotion Events
International Education Consortia





## Sample International Market Research Reports

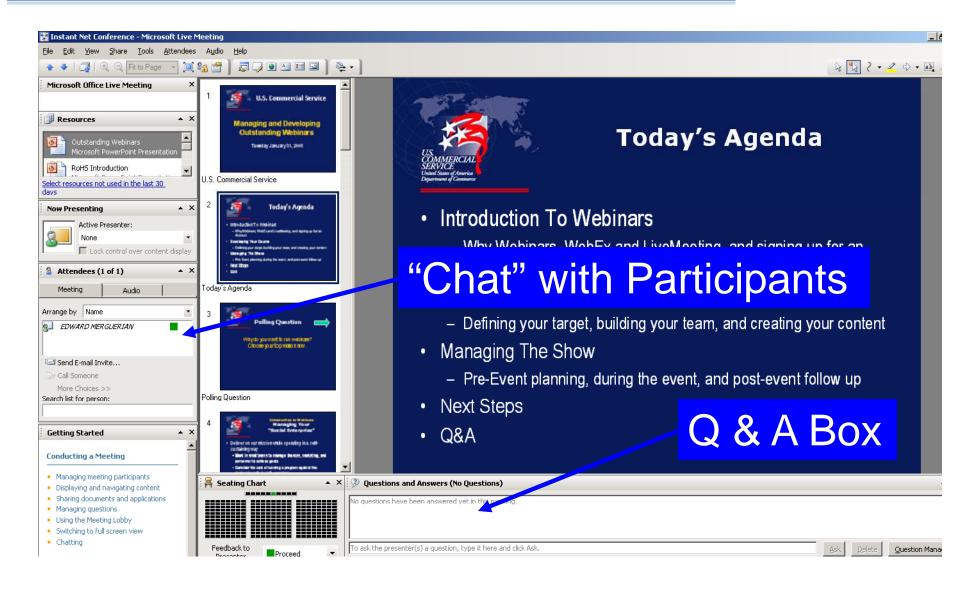
- Argentina: International Student Recruitment Opportunities
- Canada: Students Seek E-Learning Opportunities
- Colombia: U.S. Leads in Attracting ESL and MBA Students
- Indonesia: Increasing Interest in U.S. Education
- Sweden: International Student Recruitment Opportunities
- Taiwan: Growth in E-Learning Market
- Ukraine: Demand of U.S. Higher Education in Business
- United Arab Emirates: Overview of Education Market
- Vietnam: Students Seek English Training Courses

http://www.export.gov/mrktresearch
("Market Research Library")
(Search "Education" under "Services Industry" Reports)



## Webinars - Format









- Welcome by Jim Paul, Education Team Leader USCS
- Opening Remarks by Danny Devito, Minister Counselor for Commercial Affairs - USFCS
- The Brazilian Education Market by Thais Burmeister Pires, Education Advisor – Education USA
- Who are the Brazilian International and How to Recruit by Tatiana Visnevski Mendes, President of BELTA – Brazilian Education & Language Travel Association
- The Student Visa Issue, Myth and True by Amy Moser,
   Visa Officer State Department
- Wrap up and Q&As by Paulo Rodrigues, Education Specialist - USFCS





#### Webinars

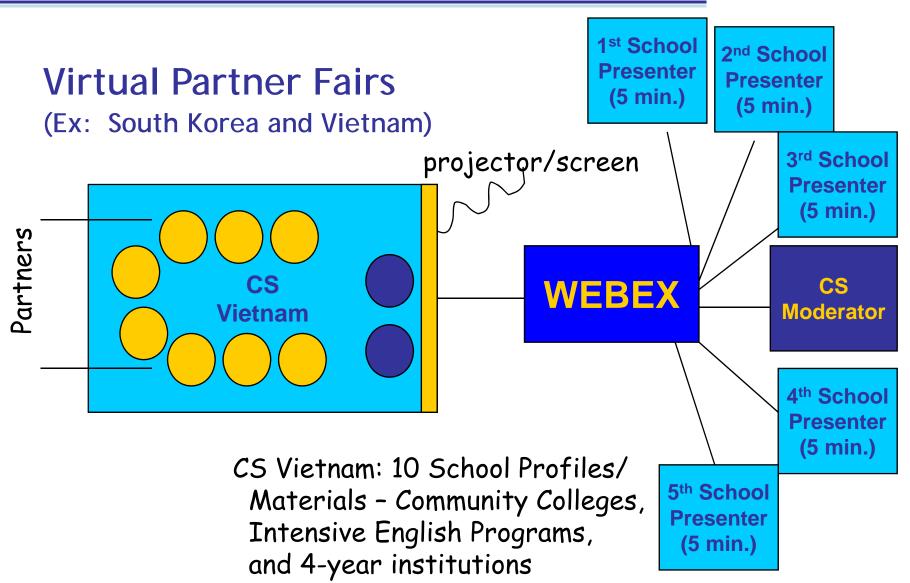
Colombia and Venezuela - January 2007
Malaysia and Singapore - March 2007
India - July 2007
Turkey - September 2007
Brazil - January 2008
Vietnam - February 2008
Philippines and Thailand - March 2008
Taiwan - May 2008
Canada - June 2008
Hong Kong - October 20, 2008
China, Czech Republic / Slovak Republic, Qatar / UAE - Fall 2008

## Fairs / Missions Organized and Supported by CS

Study USA Mission to Mexico & U.S. Embassy Fair in Ottawa Support Education USA, IIE, ISN, Linden and other fairs worldwide Assist cities and states (ex: TX & WA) with education missions











### **Overseas Contacts**

- International Partner Search
   customized list of potential partners, such as
   in-country schools and counselors
- Gold Key Matching Service
   prescreened appointments in-country with
   institutions (joint degree programs),
   counselors, high schools, and other partners
- Single or Multi-School Promotion
   seminar and/or reception (ex.: Philadelphia)
   \*promote your school(s) to key players overseas





## **Client Testimonial:**

"We have worked very closely with U.S. Commercial Service offices in Argentina, China, Colombia, India, Japan, South Korea, Vietnam as well as our local office in Boston during the past few years. The Commercial Service helped to increase the international student enrollment as a result of this agency's Gold Key Service, Platinum Key Service, Single School Promotion and tremendous ability to assist with customized services."

Marguerite Dennis
Vice President of Enrollment and International Programs
Suffolk University, Boston, MA



# Collaboration with Education USA







- Share "Best Practices" & collaboration during annual DOC breakfast at NAFSA conference (2008 was 7<sup>th</sup> year)
- Joint Presentations at NAFSA and additional conferences
- Collaborate on webinars, study fairs and missions, market research reports, internal training, etc...



# Study USA Consortium



## **Mission Statement:**

To bring an aggressive, worldwide set of services and resources designed to give U.S. educational institutions a competitive advantage in recruiting international students. This is achieved via the promotion capabilities of the U.S. Commercial Service and additional key strategic partners.





#### International Education Consortia

- Pooling resources for international marketing
- Raising the profile of the city, state and region as a study destination and provider of quality education

### **Examples:**

Study Illinois www.studyillinois.org

Study Iowa www.studyiowa.org

Study Oregon www.studyoregon.org

Study Philadelphia www.onebigcampus.com/college\_international.htm

Study Washington www.studywashington.org

Study Westchester www.studywestchesterny.org

Study Wisconsin www.studywisconsin.org

\*Others include: ETEC/Destination Southern California

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## State Government Assistance

#### State International Trade Offices

- Support from 11 New York State Department of Economic Development offices located worldwide
- -China
- -London, England
- -Tokyo, Japan
- -Ontario and Quebec, Canada
- -Jerusalem, Israel
- -Sao Paulo, Brazil
- -Santiago, Chile
- -Centurion, South Africa (2)
- -Chimalistac, Mexico

Empire State Development



#### State Tourism Offices

 If you are involved in a consortium that is promoting the state as a study destination, state tourism offices can make great partners.

## State Education Agencies

 Some state education agencies, such as the Illinois Community College Board, are also involved with international promotions.



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www.export.gov

# "Study Westchester: New York's First Step towards a Consortium"

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## Study Westchester Consortium

New Initiative: Spring 2007

Diverse Membership: Private, Public, Undergraduate, Graduate, Community College

Berkeley College, The College of New Rochelle, The College of Westchester, Iona College, Manhattanville College, Mercy College, New York Medical College, Pace University, Polytechnic University, Purchase College, and Westchester Community College

#### Common Goal:

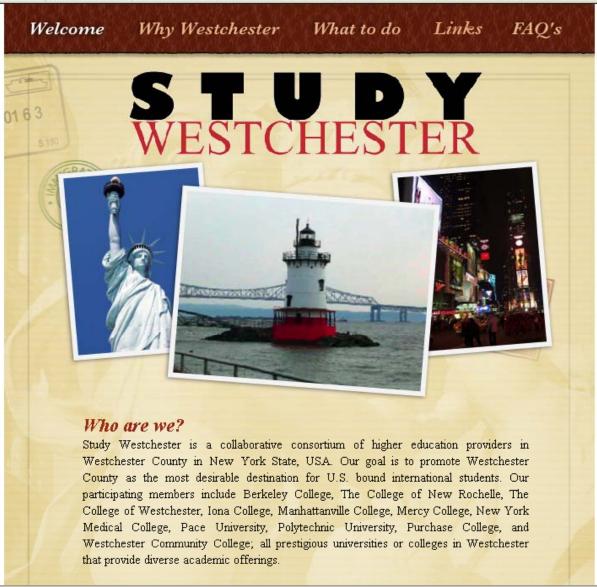
Promote Westchester as a destination for U.S. bound international students

Attract more international students to Westchester

www.studywestchesterny.org

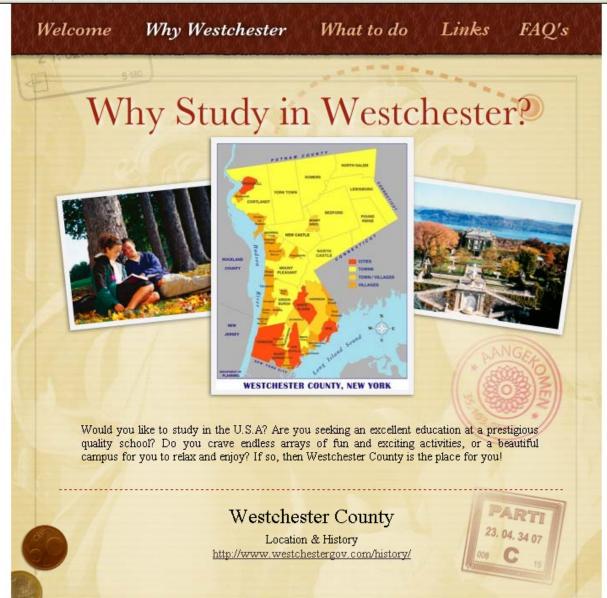






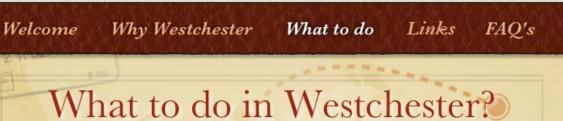












#### Events

Entertaining events take place year round throughout Westchester County, such as fairs, festivals, musical and theatrical programs, ethnic celebrations, museum exhibitions, holiday activities, craft, antique and auto shows, major sporting events, road races and marathons, parades, even fireworks displays. An up-to-the-minute Calendar of Events is available at: <a href="http://www.co.westchester.ny.us/calendar/calsearch.asp">http://www.co.westchester.ny.us/calendar/calsearch.asp</a>

Or visit www.westchestertourism.com and click on Calendar of Events.





#### Structure

- •Study Westchester developed out of the Higher Education Committee of Westchester
- •Committee of College Presidents in the County that meet regularly to discuss common issues
- •Committee house in the Westchester County Association, largest business membership organization in Westchester.









#### Goals

- Increase international student enrollment.
- •Enhance the image and identity of Westchester County and its educational institutions.
- Promote Westchester County as a study destination.
- Increase communication between institutions.
- Capitalize upon the services and support of federal agencies.





#### **Consortium Activities**

- Design webpage and brochure to build awareness
- Represent the consortium at international education exhibits and fairs
- Joint advertisement in international education publication.
- Participate in conference and seminars on international education topics.





## Why do we need a consortium?

- •Support NY's economic vitality by increasing the number of students who study in the state
- Enhance perception that international students are welcome in U.S.
- Compete with Foreign Governments
  - Promote U.S. education opportunities due to fierce competition from abroad government efforts
  - Pool Resources for Joint International Marketing
  - Strength in numbers





#### Benefits to State of New York

### Positive Economic Impact

- •In 2006/07 school year, New York was home to 65,884 international students enrolled in Colleges and Universities in the state.
- •These students contributed a total of \$1,865,844,000 to NY's economy



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