

INTERNATIONAL VISITORS PROGRAM

Strengthening Stanford's Global Connections

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Launched in 2008, the International Visitors Program is designed to strengthen Stanford's global connections in the humanities and social sciences.

Co-sponsored by the Stanford Humanities Center and the Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies (FSI), the pilot project has brought nineteen scholars from around the world to study and collaborate with the Stanford community.

In addition to renowned public intellectuals and political leaders, the program has facilitated visitorships for distinguished academics from countries such as Spain, Thailand, Indonesia, and South Africa.

The international visitors are fully integrated into campus life for the duration of their residencies, which are typically one to two months long. They lead sections in Stanford undergraduate and graduate classes, give lectures and presentations on their areas of expertise, carry out joint projects with Stanford colleagues, and spend time in the research libraries and archives.

The program has fostered numerous cross-cultural scholarly connections including a visit to Indonesia by Stanford International Policy Studies graduate students, an African Studies course taught at the University of Hong Kong by a Stanford comparative literature professor, as well as an array of co-authored publications.

FINDING NEXT-GENERATION GLOBAL LEADERS

Visitors are chosen for their ability to introduce the campus to new and relevant research agendas or geographic regions, and for the likelihood that the residency will result in lasting scholarly contributions.

Stanford departments, research institutes, and programs nominate top-notch scholars. Often, these experts are working in similar fields or on complementary projects to their campus counterparts.

A selection committee, made up of faculty and administrators from Stanford's humanities and social science disciplines, appoints approximately 5 scholars per year to come to Stanford.

BRINGING THE WORLD TO STANFORD

By experiencing the life of the university in multiple venues, international visitors create enduring scholarly relationships.

As active participants in Stanford's intellectual community, they have an office at the Humanities Center, eat lunch daily with the Center fellows, and take part in workshops, meetings and lectures at both the Humanities Center and FSI.

An array of activities is organized for each visitor during the residency. Many give public lectures, others teach and lead sections in undergraduate courses, some are invited to theme dorms to have dinner with students who have similar interests.

International visitors are awarded a generous stipend, which encompasses housing and travel expenses, for the duration of their residency.



Anne Simonin

ON-CAMPUS CONNECTIONS

These examples illustrate how the international visitors are connecting with students and faculty:

French historian **Anne Simonin**, a world expert on law and literature from the French Revolution to the Algerian war, was in residence January/February 2010. During her four-week residency, she presented a paper at the French Culture Workshop to faculty and graduate students; gave a seminar at the Humanities Center open to the entire Stanford community; and presented a lecture/discussion to students in Professor Elisabeth Boyi's class on the topic of French intellectuals and the Algerian war.



Adams Bodomo

Adams Bodomo, African Studies Programme Director at the School of Humanities, Hong Kong University, met with undergraduate students on Africa-China relations at the invitation of Stanford professor Stephen Stedman; met with Stanford professors Gi-Wook Shin (sociology), Elisabeth Boyi (comparative literature), and Arto Anttila (linguistics); and gave two seminars, one for graduate students in the Department of Linguistics and one open to the campus community at the Humanities Center.

"I was able to convey my research findings to some of the best scholars in the world. The lasting benefit from all this will be the networks established for the purpose of knowledge exchange." Adams Bodomo, International Visitor, 2011-12



Thitinan Pongsudhirak

PROMOTING INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

The following examples illustrate some of the ongoing partnerships that began on campus:

Thitinan Pongsudhirak was a visitor in March and April 2010. Since returning home to Thailand, he has participated in an Asia-Pacific conference in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia in May of 2011 with Don Emmerson, Senior Fellow at FSI; returned to Palo Alto in October 2011 as one of 25 participants at the Global Nuclear Future Initiative at the invitation of Stanford political science professor Scott Sagan; and published an article in April 2012 for the *Journal of Democracy* (Stanford professor Larry Diamond, editor) on "Southeast Asia: Thailand's Uneasy Passage."



Steven Robins

Collaborations initiated during **Steven Robins'** visitorship in February 2010 resulted in the appointment of Stanford anthropologist James Ferguson as Extraordinary Professor at Robins' University of Stellenbosch in South Africa. This honorary role has forged closer links between the two anthropology departments, as well as between Stanford and the wider academic community in the Western Cape. Ferguson recently joined Robins in a research group at the Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study.

INTERNATIONAL VISITORS 2009-2013

Maha Abdel-Rahman
Sociology and Political Science
University of Cambridge,
United Kingdom

Mohamed Adhikari
Historical Studies
University of Cape Town,
South Africa

Anies Baswedan
*Philosophy, Public Policy, and
Business Management*
President of Paramadina University,
Jakarta, **Indonesia**

Adams Bodomo
Linguistics and African Studies
Program Director in the School
of Humanities
University of **Hong Kong**

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Te Maire Tau
History
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Christchurch, **New Zealand**

Patrick Wolfe
History
La Trobe University,
Melbourne, **Australia**

GIFT OPPORTUNITIES

NAMING OPPORTUNITY

Name an international visitor. A pledge of \$20,000 a year for three years will name an international visitor each year during that period. This amount provides comprehensive support for the visitor's residency.

EXPENDABLE GIFTS

Expendable funds are critical to sustaining core aspects of this vital program.

Gifts of \$10,000 will fund the stipend for one international visitor.

Gifts of \$5,000 will fund housing or travel expenses for one international visitor.

GENERAL GIFTS

Gifts of any amount are gratefully accepted and provide essential programmatic support.

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