



Pacific and Asian Affairs Council in 2013

Building Bridges. Inspiring Young Leaders. Developing Global Citizens.

FORUMS

Engaging the community on Asia-Pacific issues

PAAC cosponsored 17 forums, educating over 900 community members on critical international issues. PAAC's forums featured diplomats, journalists, government and business leaders, and scholars.

INTERNATIONAL VISITOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM (IVLP)

Facilitating professional exchanges & goodwill

In partnership with the U.S. State Department, PAAC hosted 13 programs and connected 33 leaders with their professional counterparts in Hawai'i. Leaders representing 14 countries had an opportunity to bridge political and cultural divides and cultivate lasting relationships, while gaining valuable insight for their professional career.

COLLEGE OUTREACH PROGRAM

Promoting global awareness & the arts

PAAC cosponsored 14 forums and four festival performances to promote international understanding and cultural diversity for over 2,600 students at Leeward and Kapiolani Community Colleges.

HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM

Preparing Hawaii's next generation of leaders

PAAC served 1,280 public and private high school students and 50 teachers through its conferences, clubs, after-school classes, Chevron Academic WorldQuest competition, and teacher trainings. Since 1954, PAAC has provided international education to more than 82,450 students statewide.

Highlights:

* PAAC launched a new Chinese language afterschool class at Farrington High School.

*At the 2013 Global Vision Summit students learned about ecological cycles and examined how positive change has been created globally and locally. This conference on Eco Tipping Points was held on Oahu, Kauai, Molokai, and Hawaii island.

*Teachers participated in a 3-day intensive training to learn to use a project-based learning curriculum called New Global Citizens, that prepares students to be leaders and change agents in the global economy.

TRAVEL PROGRAM

Turkish Cultural Foundation Scholarships

Three teachers were selected to spend two weeks on a study tour of Turkey to enhance their classroom curriculum with Turkish culture and history.

Freeman Foundation Scholarships to China

14 students traveled to China for two weeks to better understand the cultural, economic, and political diversity of China. They took Mandarin classes, visited religious and historical sites, had a homestay experience, and met with government, business, and NGO professionals. Students developed a deep appreciation for China, expanded their worldview, and opened their eyes to overseas experiences for the future.

Service Learning in Vietnam

Five students traveled to Hoi An, Vietnam to participate in a service-learning study tour, where they promoted English literacy and the arts to over 60 elementary students in a rural fishing village.

Beijing International Summer Camp

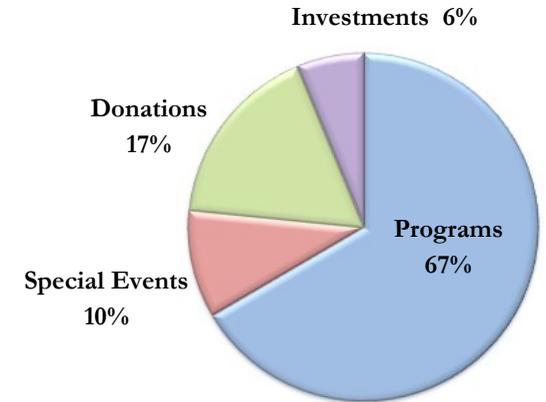
17 students represented Hawaii in an International Student Summer Camp in Beijing that offered an opportunity for cultural exchanges between the 600 participants representing 21 countries.

Frank Boas & Jean E. Rolles Scholarships

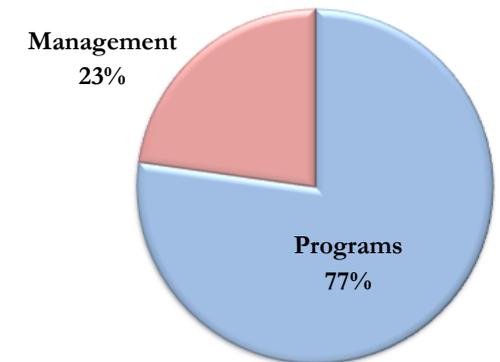
Two students received PAAC Board Members' scholarships to participate in Punahou's Summer Study Abroad Program to Japan and Costa Rica.

FINANCIALS

Revenue: \$573,628



Expenses: \$569,960





“It gave me the insight, inspiration, and motivation to take action and make a difference.”

“At a PAAC conference, we could walk in completely ignorant on a topic, and in a matter of hours gain an entirely new bed of knowledge.”

Global Vision Summit Participants

“I never had much interest in the world until this class.”

Global Studies After School Class Participant



“The knowledge and experience gathered from the IVLP program will be shared with all in my concerned sectors, as well as with my family and friends that will be helpful for the betterment of my country.”

International Visitor Leadership Program Participant from Bangladesh



“Interactions with different cultures helps me to avoid stereotypes.”

KCC International Festival Participant

“The event was wonderful [...] The most important thing right now is awareness, and that’s exactly what the event did.”

Human Trafficking in Hawaii Forum attendee

“WorldQuest helped me realize how interconnected the world around me is and the value of being an informed citizen.”



Academic WorldQuest Competition Participant

The Pacific and Asian Affairs Council (PAAC) is a 501(c)3 independent nonprofit organization that serves as the World Affairs Council of Hawaii. Our mission is to promote greater awareness and understanding of international affairs, working to strengthen Hawaii’s role in the Asia– Pacific region.



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“I am very thankful for this trip not only because it changed the way I saw China but also how I saw myself and what difference I could potentially make in the world.”

-China Summer Study Tour Participant



“This trip has made me learn to appreciate and not take anything for granted. I have found my passion for helping others.

Vietnam Service Learning Program Participant

“I learned that people from different cultures have a lot more similarities than differences.”

Beijing International Student Camp Participant



“Before the trip, I wasn’t really interested in going into international affairs but now [...] I am beginning to see myself developing a passion for learning about different cultures and lifestyles.”

China Summer Study Tour Participant



“The conversations everyday were richly engaging about history and education. The impact will reverberate within me years from now.”

Teacher Turkey Study Tour Participant