



## Winter 2014 Conference

Friday, February 28th

Central Washington University-Lynnwood Campus

Lynnwood, WA

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### Agenda

8:30-9:00am

**Social Time**

Location: **Woodway Hall 202**

Light refreshments will be served. Mingle with fellow AWISAns!

9:00-9:15am

**Greeting and Overview**

Location: **Woodway Hall 202**

Presenter(s): Nathan Fanning, AWISA Chair

9:15-10:00am

**Key Note**

Presenter: Jesse Nelson, Dean of Student Success, CWU Ellensburg

Location: **Woodway Hall 202**

10:00-10:15am

**Break**

10:15-11:30am

**Concurrent Session A**

**Preparing International Students for Internships in the US**

Presenter(s): Amanda Fletcher, Edmonds Community College, Northwest Community College Initiative; and Iris Anthony, Whatcom Community College, Northwest Community College Initiative

Location: **Snoqualmie Hall (SQL 213)**

Description: This presentation will focus on best practices for preparing international students to seek and be successful in internships in the United States and how to help students highlight their professional experiences once they return home in ways that will translate into new professional opportunities.

**USCIS Updates**

Presenter: Christine Pool, Community Relations Officer, USCIS

Location: **Snoqualmie Hall (SQL 203)**

11:30-12:30pm

Lunch Provided

Location: **Woodway Hall 202**

Off-site lunch options available at the check in table

12:30-1:30pm

**Concurrent Session B**

**Medical Emergencies and Crisis Situations: What's an Advisor to do?**

Presenter(s): Yuko Chartraw, Program Specialist, Clover Park Technical College; and Catherine Creason, Program Manager, South Seattle Community College

Location: **Snoqualmie Hall (SQL 213)**

Description: This session will discuss several case studies. These case studies include medical emergencies faced by students on a vacation quarter while traveling within the U.S.

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**Orientations for Language Training Students**

Presenter(s): Kara Schultheiss, Student Services Coordinator, A.C.E. Language Institute; Andrea Vederoff, Associate Director, International Student Services, Seattle Central Community College

Location: **Snoqualmie Hall (SQL 203)**

Description: This session will discuss several models of orientation for language training students. Bring your questions and share what your institution does to support these students as they transition into language classes.

1:30-1:45pm

**Break**

1:45-3:00pm

**Concurrent Session C**

**Recruiting where Asia meets Europe: Turkey**

Presenter: Bilen Sener, Program Assistant, Shoreline Community College

Location: **Snoqualmie Hall (SQL 213)**

Description: Are you or your institution interested or involved in recruiting in Turkey? This presentation with an expert in Turkish education will provide you with the overall potential of the Turkish student market, key points of recruiting and other overlooked methods on how to effectively recruit in Turkey.

**Safety and Self-Defense for International Travelers**

Presenter(s): Bradley Huggins, International Student Advisor, University of Washington; and Mabelle Allman, Assistant Director, University of Washington

Location: **Snoqualmie Hall (SQL 203)**

Description: This session will primarily focus on planning for safety, knowing where you going, knowing what concerns are pre-existing, and considering the culture and the laws in the country you're visiting, whether for business or pleasure. It will then move into an activity to help people consider what it means to be 'aware' of your environment in a NEW space. The final portion of the session will focus on how to defend yourself with communication and clear body language that will convey a clear and 'legal' message to an attacker and onlookers.

3:00-3:30pm

AWISA Business Meeting

Location: **Woodway Hall 202**

3:30-4:00pm

Advisor-to-Advisor

Mabelle Allman, Region I Omsbud

Location: **Woodway Hall 202**