

Asia Pacific Leadership Program

Spring Semester 2008



Navigate Change

With the fall semester complete and the second semester beginning, the G7 boat is half-way built.

Spring Framework

The spring semester of the Asia Pacific Leadership Program is designed to provide the time, space and institutional support for you to pursue customized individual career plans and professional goals; to continue to explore and develop personal interests; and to build on the outcomes of the Leadership, Regional Issues and Professional Development coursework in the fall semester.

With internships in multiple locations, GIST in Southeast Asia, and some of you returning home to employment, we will be dispersed as a community. This will be a different experience from the fall semester in APLP. Staying connected, engaging meaningfully, and continuing to build community will be priorities for the G7 ohana.

We hope the spring semester is a valuable, educational and productive time for you all. Regardless of location or occupation, take full advantage of the flexibility and support we can provide as a community. Historically, the spring semester has been an important opportunity for APLP fellows to reflect upon and activate learning from the fall semester, and to move forward in their lives and careers. It can be a critical time for reflection, research, informed travel, leadership training, professional development, internships, applied leadership projects, and, above all, personal and professional transition.

Our expanded network and new experiences in the spring will be a strength. You will see each other in new lights – as professional colleagues and leaders in local communities around the Asia Pacific region. Recognize and seek to understand these new roles and the wealth of knowledge, skills, and community networks they bring. This is how G7 will continue building the boat.

Nine Month Flow

The primary goal of the APLP in the spring semester is to continue developing “a community of action to support the growth of a peaceful, prosperous and just Asia Pacific community.”

To achieve this goal, in August 2007 we outlined the G7 program flow as follows:

Pre-Arrival: Before coming to the APLP, identify personal goals, leadership strengths and challenges, support networks and key regional trends.

Fall Semester: The ‘in-residence’ portion of the APLP is structured as follows:

1. Orientation: building a base
2. Immersion: launching Professional Development, Leadership and Regional Core Issues seminars
3. Analysis: engaging critical themes
4. Experience: Field Study in China
5. Building: customized content, scenarios of key regional challenges, leadership implications, and personal action
6. Reflection: gauge process of learning to mid-point of APLP experience and launch second phase

And now ...

Spring Semester: The final five months of the program sees the development of diverse individual and collective outcomes:

1. **Experience:** by engaging in new work, returning to positions with fresh perspectives, completing internships, leadership projects, GIST, and coursework, you will learn about the region and leadership in new ways.
2. **Reflect:** while engaging knowledge acquired in the fall semester, you will reflect on how it fits, what works, and how to refine your world view and leadership style in your professional and personal life. In this way you will benchmark and activate the learning which has occurred.
3. **Build:** stronger relationships with G7 as you bridge the closeness of the fall semester with the independence of the spring. Your network and experiences will expand as a cohort, enriching each member of the community.
4. **Launch:** while still in the supportive APLP network, you will renew personal and professional visions, and launch action plans for yourself and the communities to which you belong.

APLP G7 Graduation Reunion in May 2007

All G7 fellows, including participants pursuing internships and employment in Asia-Pacific and the US mainland, are warmly invited to attend the APLP Graduation Reunion in Honolulu from May 8-11, 2008.

Assignments and Activities

Spring 2008

Time Commitment

We expect you spend about 1.5 hours per week to fulfill APLP commitments, and to check the Hub at least once every 3 days.

Assignment and activity descriptions appear below.

Summary of Requirements

- Goals Sheet
- 2 Day in the Life Postcards
- 2 Reflections/Think Pieces
- 2 Staying Connected 'Socials'
- 1 Host Hub Week with Learning Group
- 1 Log Entry
- Planning for Success Revisited
- Best of Portfolio
- Graduation Message (if not in Hawaii)

Description of Requirements

1) Goals Sheet (Jan 10)

- a) Write 3 goals for the semester
- b) For each, write 3 actions or experiences that will help you obtain this goal
- c) Post in your private Portfolio on the Hub.

2) Day in the Life Postcard (Jan 15, March 1)

- a) Send a 'digital postcard' to G7 (where/how are you, what/how are you doing) on Jan 15 and March 1
- b) Attach a digital photo or video of you in your current location
- c) Post in Spring Semester conference on the Hub.

3) Reflection or Think Piece (Feb 1, April 1)

You choose. Post inside the Portfolio conference in the new Spring Semester folder (open to all).

4) Staying Connected Socials

Every three weeks or so different groups will hold informal check-in sessions in person or by using skype or conference calling. For example, Hawaii G7 will conference with GIST; G7 in the US mainland will skype; G7 in Asia will be invited to meet in Bangkok for a weekend.

5) Host a Week (Learning Groups)

Every other week, a LG will 'host a week' on the Hub. You will do this once in the semester. This is open space. Your job is to be creative, playful, intelligent, insightful, interesting and helpful in different parts of the Hub during the week! We will track the number of log-ins during the week and there will be Ricci points/prizes at stake for the LG which attracts the most activity.

LG 1: Fri, Jan 11-Sun, Jan 20
LG 2: Fri, Feb 1-Sun, Feb 10
LG 3: Fri, Feb 22-Sun, March 2
LG 4: Fri, March 14-Sun, March 23
LG 5: Fri, April 4-Sun, April 13
LG 6: Fri, April 25-Sun, May 4

6) G7 Log

This is a G7 journal that will be sent around Asia Pacific during the spring semester ending up back in Hawaii for graduation. Fill in your entry as you wish (text/photos etc.) to share your current life, then mail/give it to the next person. You may keep the journal for no more than 2 days (one if living in Hawaii). You have a maximum of 2 pages each, front and back.

7) Online Class: Economic Literacy

An optional class to aid G7 economic literacy will be offered by Scott on the Hub.

8) P4S (April 25)

Revisit your Planning for Success (new version to be distributed by staff) and post in your private Portfolio on the Hub.

9) Best of Portfolio (April 25)

- a) Complete your final APLP Portfolio. Add spring assignments.
- b) Select one or two items from your Portfolio and post in 'Best of Portfolio' folder, open to all.
- c) Read the 'Best of G7' before the graduation reunion in Honolulu.

10) Graduation Video/Audio Message to G7 (May 5)

If you are not in Honolulu, send a video or audio message to be broadcast to the group during graduation events.

11) Graduation/G7 Reunion

Thurs, May 8:	Program
Friday, May 9:	EWC Graduation Ceremony
Sat, May 10:	Celebration
Sun, May 11:	G7 Time

We encourage you to plan G7/alumni reunions in your country this weekend if not joining us in Hawai'i.

Calendar: Spring Semester 2008

Assignments Calendar

Jan 10:	Goals Sheet
January 15:	Day in the Life Postcard
February 1:	Reflection/Think Piece
March 1:	Day in the Life Postcard
April 1:	Reflection/Think Piece
April 25:	Planning for Success Revisited / Best of Portfolio
May 5:	Graduation Video/Audio Message (if not in Honolulu)
May 8-11:	Graduation/G7 Reunion

Hawai'i Calendar

EWC Graduate Conference:	February 14-16
East-West Fest:	April
G7 Potlucks:	Nick's house (Tantalus), Scott's house (Kailua)
G7 Graduation/Reunion:	May 8-11

GIST Calendar

January 21:	GIST Launch in Thailand (Bangkok)
January 25-February 5:	Individual Locations
February 5-9:	GIST Debrief 1 in Vietnam (HCMC)
February 9-12:	School Project in Vietnam (Mekong Delta)
February 13-March 5:	GIST Migrations (Teams in multiple locations)
March 5-9:	GIST Conclusion in Vietnam (Hanoi)

Internships Calendar

Start Date:	December 22 – January 7
End Date:	By May 7

UH Calendar

Register for Classes:	January 3 – January 6
Semester Begins:	January 14
Official UH Holidays:	January 21 <i>Martin Luther King, Jr Day</i> January 18 <i>President's Day</i> March 21 <i>Good Friday</i> March 26 <i>Kuhio Day</i>
Spring Break:	March 24 – March 28
Finals Week:	May 12 – May 16
Semester Ends:	May 16

Official End Date of G7 APLP

May 16, 2008

G7 Spring/Summer Birthdays

Jan 1:	Qudsia
Jan 2:	Simrit & Ratana
Jan 8:	Nick
Jan 12:	Connie
Feb 11:	Cho Cho
Feb 12:	Tomo
Feb 22:	Isoko
Feb 26:	Doro
March 16:	Natai
March 21:	Christina M.
March 27:	Ram
March 29:	Saw
April 18:	Sayaka
April 27:	Ake
May 16:	Hari
June 4:	Jeff
June 12:	Budhi
June 21:	Scott
June 22:	Air
July 1:	Rachel
July 8:	Camilla
July 10:	Thuji
July 12:	Moe