

Guidelines for Mentors (Asia Pacific Leadership Program) Mentoring Program

The EWCA Mentoring Program provides valuable field experiences in various professions that contribute to the professional growth of Asia Pacific Leadership Program (APLP) participants. The APLP is a four-month program with a two-month residency requirement in Honolulu during the fall semester. Participants have strong leadership experience or exhibit high leadership potential, with at least five years of professional work experience in a tremendous range of backgrounds (as examples: science, business, development, politics, government, civil society, medicine, religious orders, art, finance, academia, or research).

The goal of the mentoring experience is that the participants will learn about the “work culture” and “work environment” in his/her mentor’s profession and gain insights about the operation of a business or organization. This experience allows the participant to observe and apply leadership, organizational and communication skills in a multicultural environment. After meeting with the mentor, the participant will have a better understanding of the work ethics of his/her mentor’s profession, including the modes of communication, leadership in the work culture, challenges and rewards of the profession.

This year, the APLP will launch in Seoul for a week to build an introductory base before participants return to their home countries, where they can apply place-based leadership activities in their home settings. A two-month residential experience in Hawai’i will take place from October 15 – December 14, 2018, with travel to the US mainland from October 29 – November 9.

Because of the APLP participants’ heavy schedule and the substantial amount of time the participants will be travelling, this is an abbreviated version of our regular one semester mentoring program. We will be scheduling a Mentor/Mentee networking event sometime during the week of November 12 and require one face-to-face visit with the mentee (October 15-28) before they leave for the US mainland and one face-to-face visit with the mentee (November 19 – December 14) after the Mentor/Mentee networking event. The mentor and mentee may mutually agree to additional meetings. Additional contact through email, Skype, and telephone calls is encouraged.

Please contact us for any questions or concerns. Our contact information is as follows:

Mentoring Program
EWC Alumni/Associates Office
East West Center
1601 East-West Road, Honolulu HI, 96848-1601
E-mail: mentoringprogram@eastwestcenter.org
Phone: (808) 944-7506

Amy Agbayani, Alumni-Student Coordinator
Itsuko Suzuki, Alumni-Student Coordinator