Education, Workshops, Seminars

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Pakistan journalists join an interfaith Palm Sunday service in Missouri as part of the inaugural Pakistan-United States Journalists Exchange. The East-West Center has been conducting fellowships and exchanges for working American and Asia Pacific journalists since 1967. Intensive dialogue combined with field study promotes understanding of the complexities of the Asia Pacific region. During 2011, the East-West Center coordinated nine study tours and workshops for media professionals, in addition to seminars for government, business, and NGO leaders.

Young environmentalists from Jordan and the Palestinian Territories in the EWC’s United States Institute (SUSI) for Student Leaders on Global Environmental Issues program talk with a Hawaiian kumu (cultural educator) after their welcome ceremony in the EWC garden. Now in its third year, the five-week U.S. State Department-funded EWC SUSI program has developed a vibrant network of young leaders from the Pacific, Southeast Asia, and Middle East, equipped to create innovative and positive solutions for today’s environmental challenges.