

**Provost's Third Trip to China
Focuses on Four Pacific Schools
May 25-June 5, 2009**

Provost Phil Gilbertson and Associate Provost Jin Gong returned to China again May 25-June 5 to expand and strengthen partnerships primarily for the Eberhardt School of Business, School of International Studies, School of Engineering and Computer Science, and the Conservatory of Music. The purpose of the trip was to plan joint programs for Business, SIS, and Music Therapy, along with a major effort to deepen research relationships that support the School of Engineering's Pacific Resources Research Center (PRRC) focused on the Sialite Cement Project. China has become the most prominent of the target countries for the new "Global Program for Professional Development" designed to provide certificate and graduate programs abroad. Travel was extended to Singapore to strengthen the partnership with the Center for Creative Leadership, and to resolve issues with the Singapore General Hospital partnership to offer a Music Therapy certificate program for Singapore students in both Singapore and in Stockton.

Provost Gilbertson was invited to give a keynote address at the 7th International Conference on Strategic Human Resources and Entrepreneurships at the School of Management at Zhejiang University in Hangzhou. The Provost's address, "Leadership through Social Entrepreneurship: The University as Social Entrepreneur," on May 25, outlined how University of the Pacific could be viewed as a social entrepreneur organization. Other Pacific leaders in addition to Gilbertson and Gong at the conference included Dean Rich Flaherty of the Eberhardt School of Business and Professor Dan Wadhwani, Fletcher Jones Professor of Entrepreneurship. Professor Wadhwani also presented a keynote address and gave several guest presentations to the Graduate School of Management over several days. Dean Flaherty worked with Dean Zhongming Wang to explore a possible joint master's program in Human Resource Management.

Gilbertson and Gong signed an agreement with Shanghai Finance University for faculty and student exchange which will include ten MBA students from SFU enrolling at Pacific in fall 2009 and three liberal arts professors from SFU pursuing research at Pacific in summer 2009.

Most of the trip included many academic connections to promote the Sialite research project with Dr. Henghu Sun, and Dr. Zengdi Cui, who accompanied Provost Gilbertson and Associate Provost Gong for the next eight days of travels in China, from Shanghai to Qingdao to Dalian to Beijing.

The trip ended with two days in Singapore where Gilbertson and Gong reviewed the issues relating to the agreement with Singapore General Hospital for the certificate program in Music Therapy, as well as consultation with the leadership team of the Center for Creative Leadership Asian Office to plan joint ventures in China.

Details:**Hangzhou, May 25-26:**

- Zhejiang University School of Management 7th International Forum for Leadership and Entrepreneurship, May 25-26.
- Dean Flaherty confers with Dean Wang to explore possible joint masters program in Human Resource Management.
- Professor Wadhvani is guest lecturer on entrepreneurship in the School of Management, exploring possible joint research and faculty exchange.

Shanghai, May 27:

- MOU signed with Shanghai Finance University for student-faculty exchange.
- Meeting with Dr. Colin Wang, alumni leader of the Dugoni School of Dentistry, pursuing possible joint partnerships in dentistry.
- Visit at Tongji University with Dr. Henghu Sun and Dr. Zengdi Cui to explore research partnerships and a possible exchange program in engineering through the support of Academician Yaoru Lu.

Qingdao, May 28-29:

- Visit with leaders of Shandong University of Science and Technology, where Dr. Sun began his joint research through the support of his mentor Academician Zhenqi Song .

Qufu, May 30:

- Met with leaders of QufuNormal University.

Jinan:

- Met with the leaders of Shandong University to explore faculty/student exchange programs in Engineering.

Dalian:

- Visited the Institute of Circulation Economy Engineering, Dalian University and signed an MOU on joint Sialite research with the Institute.

Beijing:

- Visited ENN Energy Co. on support for the Sialite Research Project.

- Met with the leaders of the High Speed Railway Division of the Ministry of Transportation to explore joint Sialite Cement research for conveyance construction for the planned National High Speed Rail System in China.
- Met with the Dean and faculty leaders of the Department of Material Science at Tsinghua University to confirm continuing joint Sialite research collaboration with Dr. Sun.

Singapore:

- Resolve issues with the MOU with Singapore General Hospital and the Conservatory of Music for a certificate program in Music Therapy with two senior administrators along with discussion of possible joint programs with other Pacific health science programs.
- Met with the leadership team of the Center for Creative Leadership—Asia Office to explore joint research on leadership in China, with a possible partnership with our Global Program for Professional Development, and other possible joint ventures in China and Singapore.