Workshop 1: Diversifying Student Mobility: New Models for Study Abroad between France and the US and Reaching Out to New Publics

The Franco-American Fulbright Commission’s contribution
Advise French students who want to study in the US

Context:
- Steady demand, steady interest
- Increasing consideration for more affordable options

How to respond?
- Facilitate the recognition of Associate degrees back in France
- Encourage Community Colleges to promote their programs

FACEE’s action
- International Education Administrators program to Community College leaders to facilitate discussions with French counterparts. (Fall 2016)
Fulbright Seeks More Diverse Pool of Scholars and Students

Kimberly Jackson, an associate professor of chemistry and biochemistry at Spelman College, had long hoped to join the ranks of scholars who had earned one of the U.S. government’s prestigious Fulbright research awards. She succeeded last spring, and began preparing to spend six months in the Caribbean country of Antigua and Barbuda studying food science.

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U.S Student program:

Action in the US

- Intensive effort to stress the importance of recruiting diverse candidates: tutorials, statements, briefings, recruiting alumni from minorities as ambassadors, monitoring
- Very fast development of the English Teaching Assistant (ETA) program worldwide

FACEE’s actions

- Keep funding level substantial
- ETAs at the same level as other U.S grantees
- FACEE will be starting a pilot program which includes a summer immersion program and additional French languages courses.
E.T.A.’s Signing Off!
French Student program:

- Diversify types of experience proposed (Summer seminars, French Language Teaching Assistants (FLTA), Degree-seeking, Doctoral research)

- Maintain fully funded opportunities
  - FACEE fully funds participation in the summer seminars (including trip to participate in the final interview committee)
  - FACEE fully funds TOEFL costs for all FLTA finalists

- More difficult for degree seeking candidates
  - FACEE partners with other organizations to increase funding for degree seeking projects
International Education Administrators Program (IEA)  
in collaboration with the German Fulbright Commission

- Bordeaux-Paris-Paris area (Créteil, Saclay)-Strasbourg
- Lyon-Grenoble-Paris-Paris area (Cergy-Pontoise)-Mayence
- Rennes-Paris-Paris ara (Versailles-Saint Quentin-Saclay)-Strasbourg
- 2016: Aix-Marseille-Paris-Paris area-Bonn

- Now opening up to Community College Leaders

Targeted use of Fulbright Specialist grants for IEA participating institutions

A similar program for French participants?
• U.S and French Scholars program:
  
  • Looking for geographical and institutional diversity
  • Looking for shorter-term options
  • Looking for opportunities for post doctoral candidates

  ➢ FACEE has developed regional partnerships
  ➢ FACEE offers the Fulbright specialist and the Global Flex programs
  ➢ FACEE has created post-doctoral opportunities with institutions (EHESS) and Regions (Rhône-Alpes, NPDC) on a pilot basis.
  ➢ And also exploring.....
    ➢ Trilateral grants with African partners of French institutions
    ➢ Programmatic efforts in connection with the migrant crisis
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