



Global Citizenship in Your Classroom

The newsletter of the Global Solutions Education Fund Pittsburgh Teachers Program

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Fall/Winter 2009

Dear Teacher,

Today's world is one of ever-increasing connectivity. It is crucial for students to understand global problems and the priorities of other people around the world. Today's high school students will be interacting with and competing for jobs against students thousands of miles away with very different experiences and perspectives. Having a global outlook will make them better able to adapt to this evolving reality. Global Solutions Education Fund Pittsburgh is an independent 501(c)(3) educational organization, and is the local affiliate of Citizens for Global Solutions, a national organization working for global solutions to global problems. For over 60 years we have been educating Western Pennsylvanians about global issues and global interdependence. We have been conducting free workshops on a variety of international issues for a number of years and are an accredited Pennsylvania Department of Education Act 48 provider. I encourage you to check out our 2009-2010 offerings and consider registering for a workshop. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact us at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org or 412-471-7852.

Daniel Giovannelli, Acting Director

We Offer:

Informal Model UN workshops

Upon request, GSP staff will come to your high school to teach a workshop on the United Nations and Model United Nations. The workshops can be adapted to any length or audience size. The program will cover background information on the United Nations as well as an introduction to Model UN, resolution writing, and parliamentary procedure. Please contact Daniel Giovannelli at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org to schedule a workshop.

Informal G-20 workshops

Upon request, GSP staff will come to your high school to teach a workshop on the upcoming G-20 conference. The program will cover a brief history of the G-20 and the international finance system as well as information about the topics of discussion at the September Summit. Requests will be honored on a first come, first serve basis with preference given to multi-class or school-wide assemblies. Please contact Daniel Giovannelli at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org to schedule a workshop.

Fall 2009 Workshops:

How to Design a Global Issues Course for Your High School

Jessica Friedrichs, Carlow University, **Dave Manel**, Community College of Allegheny County, and
Felix Yerace, Global Solutions Board Member and teacher at South Fayette High School

October 12, 2009 – 4130 Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Undoubtedly, global issues education is a prerequisite to success in this global economy. However, many schools in the region do not offer their students Global Issues or Global Civics classes. This workshop will help teachers design a new global issues class or add global issues components to existing classes. Class content will be covered, but the primary focus will be on mechanics of designing and adding a class to your school's curriculum. This workshop is being offered for Act 48 credit. For registration and further information, please contact Daniel Giovannelli at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org.

More Free Act 48 Workshops are listed inside

Fall/Winter 2009 Offerings contd

Think Global / Act Local: Pittsburgh and the United Nations Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) September 28 & 29, October 19 & 20, 2009 University of Pittsburgh

GSP in cooperation with the Global Studies Program at the University of Pittsburgh will be hosting a series of workshops on the United Nations MDGs. Over four nights, all eight Goals will be presented from both an international and local angle. Many of the issues facing the United Nations and highlighted by the MDGs are so often thought of as problems of the developing world. This workshop will present those traditional aspects but also show how the issues affect people right here in western Pennsylvania. Experts from a variety of community organizations will be on hand to present each MDG and offer volunteer opportunities for high school students. Representatives from Adagio Health Inc., Brother's Brother Foundation, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Nine Mile Run Watershed Association, Magee Womancare International and the Pittsburgh AIDS Task Force will be presenting. The workshop will be primarily targeted at teachers, but students are welcome to register and attend. These workshops are being offered for Act 48 credit. Teachers may register for individual evenings or the entire series. For registration and further information, please contact Daniel Giovannelli at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org.

University of Pittsburgh Model United Nations Conference November 9, 2009

University of Pittsburgh

Registration is already open for the 2009 University of Pittsburgh Model UN Conference. If you have not received registration material or still wish to register, please contact Luz Amanda Hank at the University Center for International Studies at the University of Pittsburgh at lavst12@pitt.edu.

How to Teach Humanitarian Intervention in 45 Minutes November 9, 2009

4130 Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh

Conducted by Taylor Seybolt, Assistant Professor of International Affairs and Interim Director of the Ford Institute for Human Security at the University of Pittsburgh's Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, this workshop will cover issues related to the Responsibility to Protect, UN peacekeeping, and more. It will be hosted the same day as the Pitt Model UN Conference; a break will be given so that teachers may observe their students for part of the day. This workshop is being offered for Act 48 credit. For registration and further information, please contact Daniel Giovannelli at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org.

Spring 2010 Offerings

Please watch for the arrival of your January edition of *Global Citizenship in Your Classroom* for more information on the workshops listed below.

Teaching Global Issues Through Narrative Film

Many teachers tell us that departing from the traditional "lecture then test" format can facilitate learning. The prevalence of high quality narrative films with global issue themes such as *Blood Diamond*, *Amazing Grace* and *Hotel Rwanda* creates a natural synthesis. This workshop will help teachers develop an effective method to use film as a complement to their curriculum. GSP has a library of these films available for educational use. Please visit www.globalsolutionspgh.org to see our library's list. This workshop will be offered for Act 48 credit.

How to Teach International Topics in 45 Minutes

Often teachers only have one or two class periods to cover complex international issues. This workshop will provide the information necessary for teachers to present a topic to their class in 45 minutes. The topic for this spring's workshop has not yet been selected, so please email Daniel Giovannelli at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org to suggest a topic. This workshop will be offered for Act 48 credit.

The Interactive Classroom: Simulations

Simulations, commonplace in undergraduate global issues classes, are becoming increasingly popular in high schools. Model UN programs have shown that there is significant educational value to academic simulations. Conducted with the Global Studies Certificate Program, this workshop will help teachers develop non-Model UN simulations in their school or classroom. This workshop will be offered for Act 48 credit.

Moot International Criminal Court (ICC)

In Spring 2010, GSP, in conjunction with the Center for International Legal Education at the University of Pittsburgh School of Law, will host a Moot International Criminal Court. This program will be the first of its kind in the country. It will give a small number of advanced high school students the opportunity to simulate a hypothetical trial of Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir. An Act 48 workshop will be offered to help teachers prepare their students for the simulation. Please contact Daniel Giovannelli at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org for further information.

Spring 2010 Offerings contd

Slavery Awareness Week

In Spring 2010, GSP, in cooperation with the University Center for International Studies and the School of Law at the University of Pittsburgh, will be hosting a weeklong conference focused on human trafficking and modern slavery. For information about participating, please contact Daniel Giovannelli at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org.

Duquesne University Model United Nations Conference

The Conference will be in January at Duquesne University. Registration material will be distributed in November. Please contact Daniel Giovannelli at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org for more information.

Model United Nations @ Westminster College

The Conference will be in April at Westminster College. Registration material will be distributed in January. Please contact Professor Aleprete at alepreme@westminster.edu for further information.

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High School:

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___ **I am interested in receiving information about other, non-Act 48, programs that Global Solutions Pittsburgh offers.**

Please return this form to Daniel Giovannelli at dan@globalsolutionspgh.org or Global Solutions Education Fund Pittsburgh, 239 Fourth Ave, Suite 1607, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

In today's interdependent world, our lives, our jobs, and our families are increasingly affected by global problems such as terrorism, climate change, war, and infectious disease. Because these problems are global in scope, it is vital that countries work together to solve them.

Global Solutions envisions a future in which nations work together to abolish war, protect our rights and freedoms, and solve the problems facing humanity that no nation can solve alone. This vision requires effective democratic global institutions that will apply the rule of law while respecting the diversity and autonomy of national and local communities.

We are a membership organization working to build political will in the United States to achieve our vision. We do this by educating Americans about our global interdependence, communicating global concerns to public officials, and developing proposals to create, reform, and strengthen international institutions such as the United Nations.



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