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## OVERVIEW

The International Faculty Partnership Seminars sponsored by the California State University through the [Academic Council on International Programs \(ACIP\)](#) are designed to provide international experiences for faculty of diverse disciplines from all CSU campuses. The mission of the [CSU International Programs \(CSUIP\)](#), a system-wide unit operating from within the CSU Chancellor's Office in Long Beach, is to develop intercultural communication skills and international understanding among CSU students and faculty.

## HOSTING INSTITUTIONS

This seminar is made possible through the collaboration of the California State University International Programs (CSUIP) and two esteemed higher education institutions in Ensenada, Mexico: the Universidad Autónoma de Baja California (UABC) and Centro de Enseñanza Técnica y Superior (CETYS).

**CSU International Programs (CSUIP)** serves as the systemwide study abroad program for the California State University, committed to providing transformative international education experiences for students and faculty across all 22 CSU campuses. CSUIP is dedicated to expanding academic partnerships that support the CSU's strategic goals of student success, equity, and global engagement.

**Universidad Autónoma de Baja California (UABC)** is a leading public research university in Baja California, known for its strong academic programs in marine science, engineering, agriculture, and the social sciences. Its Ensenada campus is home to world-class research facilities and offers an ideal setting for binational collaboration focused on regional and global challenges.

**Centro de Enseñanza Técnica y Superior (CETYS)** is a private, non-profit institution with a strong reputation for academic excellence, internationalization, and innovation in education. CETYS maintains deep ties to industry and community partners, and its Ensenada campus supports programs in business, engineering, and the humanities. CETYS has been a long-standing partner in promoting cross-border academic exchange and applied research.

Together, these institutions provide a rich environment for scholarly collaboration and offer diverse perspectives on issues central to the seminar theme, including sustainability, economic development, and cultural exchange.

## SEMINAR THEME

### ***Two Regions one Future: Exploring the California-Mexico Scientific, Economic, and Cultural Ties***

This faculty seminar brings together scholars from across the CSU and partner institutions in Mexico to explore shared challenges and opportunities through scientific, economic, and cultural lenses. By fostering cross-border collaboration and advancing regionally relevant research, the seminar reflects the CSU's strategic commitment to innovation, equity, student success, and global engagement.

Through dialogue and exchange, participants will strengthen academic partnerships that support sustainable development and deepen the impact of CSU research and teaching in the binational context of California and Mexico.

## SEMINAR OBJECTIVES

Through participation in the International Faculty Partnership Seminar, CSU faculty will:

- **Advance Research and Scholarship in a Global Context**  
Engage in interdisciplinary dialogue around the seminar theme: scientific, economic, and cultural ties between California and Mexico. This will foster research that addresses shared regional challenges and supports sustainable, inclusive development, reflecting the CSU's commitment to innovation and global engagement.
- **Strengthen Student Success Through Internationalization**  
Identify opportunities to expand global learning experiences for CSU students, including study abroad, faculty-led programs, and collaborative research. This supports the CSU Student Success Framework by promoting culturally affirming, equity-driven engagement across learning environments.
- **Build Strategic Academic Partnerships**  
Establish lasting relationships with faculty and administrators from Mexican partner institutions to support future collaborations in teaching, research, and student mobility. This reinforces the CSU's goal of investing in partnerships that expand access to high-impact practices.
- **Enhance Faculty Development and Cross-Cultural Competency**  
Deepen understanding of the educational, research, and institutional landscape of partner universities in Mexico. This broadens faculty members' global perspectives and strengthens their capacity to lead internationally focused academic initiatives.
- **Support Equitable Access to Global Opportunities**  
Explore ways to increase participation in international programs, particularly among historically underserved students. This advances the CSU's equity and inclusion priorities by reducing barriers to transformative global learning experiences.

## ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION

Faculty members from all CSU campuses and all disciplines are encouraged to participate. Applicants must hold a full-time tenured or tenure track appointment at a CSU campus. Faculty members who will be participating in the Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP) on or before July 1, 2025 are not eligible for selection. Applicants are only allowed to participate in a CSUIP faculty seminar once every five years.

When describing their involvement in international programs, applicants must make a clear distinction between CSUIP and private or faculty-led study abroad programs.

Selection of CSU participants will be the responsibility of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the ACIP. Approximately 20 faculty members will be selected to participate. The Committee will seek a broad distribution of disciplines and participation from across campuses.

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The application deadline is February 1, 2026. The Seminar Selection Committee will meet during February and selection decisions will be announced by March 1, 2026.

**APPLICATION:** [2026 CSUIP Faculty Seminar Application](#)

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** March 1, 2026, at 11:59 pm PST

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Please have the information and documents listed below readily available before starting the application.

1. Current Curriculum Vitae.
2. If you apply to be a presenter, prepare a presentation abstract (maximum 300 words).
3. Approval letter from the Dean of your College.
4. Letter of support from a chair addressing two or more of the following:
  - a. Possible connections of your research or creative activities to the seminar theme.
  - b. Your effectiveness in disseminating previous professional development activities on your campus.
  - c. Your demonstrated commitment to the system-wide CSU International Programs.
  - d. Sources of campus funding or support for your participation in the seminar
5. Statement Intent: 300-word statement addressing each of the following:
  - a. How will the seminar contribute to your teaching effectiveness, scholarship, and/or service?
  - b. Describe your recent involvement in international programs (e.g., faculty-led programs, exchange programs, study abroad).
  - c. Provide a concrete plan as to how you will promote CSUIP upon your return.

## SEMINAR FUNDING

As seminar hosts, CSUIP will cover the cost of on-site lodging and most meals.

CSUIP will contribute \$500 to the cost of travel to San Diego. CSUIP will arrange for transportation to and from Ensenada from the San Diego State University campus.

Other incidental expenses and additional travel will be the responsibility of the participant. CSU campuses may also provide funding for participants, if additional funds are needed.