



# NEWS FOR ADVISORS

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## From the Director

While increasing globalization has given students from all over the world more opportunities to study in other countries, it has also led to the current global economic crisis. For some of you, one of the results of this global economic instability has been worsening exchange rates between your currency and the US dollar. This makes it very costly for some of your students to study in the US right now. Currency exchange rate forecasts suggest that some of your currencies will improve against the dollar — or at least stabilize — within the next few months. We look forward to continuing to work with you to make international education a priority for our students.

## US Presidential Election



IEI students and faculty had their own presidential election on November 11th - the day that Barack Obama, Senator from Illinois, won the Presidential election nationwide. The results of the IEI election: Obama won by a wide margin.

## Happy Holidays from the IEI!



*Students from Konan University at the Final Reception, held December 10, 2008.*

## IEI Holiday Hours

The IEI office will be CLOSED from December 24, 2008-January 5, 2009. However, the IEI Admissions Secretary will be checking e-mail during this time. Messages can be sent to [iei@uiuc.edu](mailto:iei@uiuc.edu).

## Useful Links for Advising Students About the IEI Click Title to Access

### Handbook for International Agents and Advisors

- Latest information and assistance!

### Apply to IEI!

- Application, dates, costs

### Student Newsletters

- Stay up-to-date with student information

### IEI Program

- Program descriptions

## Spring Registration starts January 16, 2009!

Deadline for Applications for Summer • May 9, 2009

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