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UTAS Faculty of Education celebrates 10 Years of international student exchange

This year marks the 10th year Faculty of Education students at both the University of Tasmania and Malmö University in Sweden have embraced the opportunity of student exchange to experience life at the partner institution.

Associate Professor Marion Myhill, Academic Dean (Internationalisation), who was involved in initiating the exchange program in 2004, has been exceptionally impressed with the agreement.

“The (Malmö exchange) program is a particularly well organised exchange, our students are welcomed and supported very warmly, and the program is very well received by our students. We also very much enjoy receiving the Swedish students in return.”

Current UTAS Exchange Coordinator and Lecturer in Global Education, Dr Greg Ashman, believes “The exchange experience provides our students an opportunity to study in a new environment with differing academic requirements and challenges.

“It allows our students to develop cultural understandings and competencies through interaction with and living alongside students from many countries.”

Professor John Williamson, Dean of the UTAS Faculty of Education, commended all involved with the program’s success and looks forward to the opportunity for shared research and staff exchange.

UTAS is currently hosting Swedish student Hilda Kraft, who arrived in Tasmania this month and will study here for the first semester. Local students David Wilson and Claire Hanson spent second semester 2013 at Malmö, both expressing it was the opportunity of a lifetime.

With the UTAS Faculty of Education recently receiving additional funding through the Federal Government’s Short Term Mobility Program (STMP), up to 10 students will be supported to participate in the outgoing exchange program this year.

Interested Education students can contact Assoc Prof Myhill or Dr Greg Ashman for further information through the Faculty of Education.

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