

International Student Conferences

International Student Conferences (ISC) is a non-profit organization which operates educational and cultural exchange programs for university students from the United States, Japan, and Korea.

Currently ISC facilitates The Japan-America Student Conference (JASC), the oldest student-run cultural exchange in the United States, beginning in 1934. We are proud to announce that our programs are expanding with the first Korea-America Student Conference (KASC) beginning in the summer of 2008.

ISC Mission:

ISC's mission is to promote peace by furthering mutual understanding, friendship and trust through international student interchange.

ISC Values:

ISC believes in the long-term value of mutual understanding, friendship, and trust achieved through cross-cultural interchange in

student-run conferences contributing to a more peaceful world.

ISC delegates, volunteers, employees, board members, and alumni believe in the following core values for its student-run cross-cultural conferences:

The importance of developing mutual understanding and friendship as the path to peace
The power of an open mind and a willingness to exchange opinions in building a respect for differences
The unique ability of students, with their idealism, enthusiasm, and vitality, to plan and implement important peace-building events and activities
The imperative of investing in the present to positively transform the future
The absolute commitment to integrity, honesty, and frankness

ISC Programs:

ISC programs provide an intense month-long experience in which 50-80 students, equally represented from the U.S. and the partner country, live, travel, work, study, and relax together in a conference-like setting. What makes ISC programs unique is that, ever since their founding in 1934, ISC conferences are totally planned and administered by the students themselves. This ensures its vitality and ongoing relevance among today's promising youth, upon whom the world of tomorrow depends. The students host roundtables, field trips, seminars, and distinguished speakers, working toward the goals of understanding each other better, forming friendships, gaining trust, and fostering international peace during their lifetimes. Every ISC gathering is characterized by full and frank discussions, undertaken with a spirit of understanding each other's point of view.

