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**ASSOCIATION OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION ADMINISTRATORS (AIEA) PRESENTS 2015 JOSEPHSON AWARD**

The Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA) presented its annual Harold Josephson Award for Professional Promise in International Education at an awards luncheon on Tuesday, February 17 in Washington, DC during its annual conference. The award, which recognizes an emerging leader who is making a significant contribution to International Education, was awarded to Bethany Galipeau-Konate of Shenandoah University. Dr. Galipeu-Konate currently serves as Director of International Programs at Shenandoah. She has an extensive record of outstanding work in international education, and her recent dissertation research makes an important contribution to the field.

Recently awarded a Doctor of Professional Studies degree at Shenandoah, her research adds new understanding to learning outcomes associated with short-term international experiences. Comparing short-term participants with a control group over a nine year period, her research suggests that short-term international programming is effective in developing positive long-term changes associated with Global Citizenship indices.

Dr. Galipeu-Konate's contributions in other areas of international education are similarly significant. Prior to her arrival at Shenandoah she served as a Peace Corps volunteer in Mali. She has developed successful curricular innovations, has published in the field, and has presented at national conferences and fora on international education. She was recognized by the Shenandoah Board of Trustees Resolution of Appreciation for her contributions to cross-cultural understanding and international education.

The Association of International Education Administrators shares the enthusiasm for Dr. Galipeu-Konate's contributions to the field, and congratulates her as the 2015 recipient of the Josephson Award. AIEA Executive Director Dr. Darla Deardorff stated that "AIEA congratulates Bethany on her many achievements and research that distinguished her in the selection process and is so pleased to recognize Bethany as a rising leader in the field of international higher education through this award."



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