



## PROJECT DATA

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**Project Name:** International Professionals Link

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**Project Starting and Ending Date:** September 2008 – August 2009

**Brief description of the project:** The Germantown Campus has a large number of international students in the American English Language Program with professional degrees and experience in their native countries. Many of these students work in unrelated fields such as retail. They lack information regarding how to transfer their knowledge, skills and experience to professional positions in this country. The International Professionals Link project will provide them with information and resources so that they may prepare themselves for similar professions or new career paths.

**State fundamental need or concern addressed in this project:** The fundamental concern is that the professionals from countries around the world experience an “informational void” upon arriving in this country. They are at MC improving their English but they do not know where to go for information such as licensing, certification, or testing.

**List the project's core goals and/or objectives.** The two main objectives for the International Professionals Link project are: (1) **To create a website** containing information such as: foreign credential evaluations, certification, licensing, testing, education (graduate/post graduate), job bank information, career opportunities, alternative career information, internships, national associations and information on MC including frequently asked questions.

The second objective for the project is: (2) To host an **International Professionals Information Session** in the fall. The session will bring together MC faculty, various departments at the Germantown Campus, Continuing Education/Workforce Development and Washington are national associations.

**Who will benefit from this project?** Germantown international professional students - mostly in the American English Language Program, as well as international professionals residing in the community.