

## **JAFSA Session Proposal for ISANA Conference 2010**

Title of Presentation: “Engaging the Wider Japanese community in Supporting International Students in Japan”

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Abstract:

This presentation is based on the idea that, in Japan, the internationalization of the community enhances the internationalization of the university, especially in respect to the community's acceptance of in-bound international students. The first half will focus on a macro level by introducing the support system given to international students by way of local government entities, such as the local authorities for International Relations and International Exchange Associations and others (in areas of accommodation, exchange activities, health services, etc.,...). The second half will focus on a case study of how a foreign university (Temple University, Japan (TUJ)) formed relations with the local community to attain understanding and support for international students. The creation of a positive image of international students and TUJ in the community has enabled the institution to become the longest existing foreign university in Japan.