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Brianne Holden and Laura Burbano Receive Association of International Education Administrator's Harold Josephson Award for Professional Promise in International Education

Washington, DC – February 28, 2017 – The Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA) presented Brianne Holden and Laura Burbano with the Harold Josephson Awards for Professional Promise in International Education at the 2017 Annual Conference earlier this month.

Each year, AIEA presents the Harold Josephson Award to deserving graduate students who are making significant contributions to the field of international education. Recipients may be at the masters or doctoral level, in any disciplinary area. The award recognizes emerging leadership in international education, as evidenced by the students' graduate study, involvement in international education initiatives, research related to international education, and/or other relevant contributions. Starting in 2016, AIEA has recognized two recipients of this award: one for a graduate student recipient, and one for a graduate student professional.



Laura Burbano and Brianne Holden at the 2017 AIEA Annual Conference Networking and Awards Luncheon

The 2017 recipient of the Graduate Student Professional award is Brianne Holden, who completed her third year in the interdisciplinary Masters of Arts program in International Studies at University of Oregon and graduated fall 2016. She holds a BA in Global Cultures from University of California, Irvine (2000).

Brianne is Study Abroad Coordinator and Advisor at University of California, Davis. A previous supervisor described her as a "star" who has contributed a great deal to International education by

combining work experience and research topic. In her project, "Third Country Study Abroad," she examines the challenges and opportunities non-US students experience when they study abroad, a significant and timely topic given current shifts in student populations.

This year's recipient of the Student Award is Laura Burbano, a third-year graduate student in the University of Oregon Program of International studies. She graduated from the Military Nueva Granada University in Bogota, Colombia with a BA in International Affairs and political studies in 2010.

Laura's own experience as international student, English learner and her commitment to international and intercultural education in Colombia, in particular with indigenous communities, have led her to dedicate her research to migrant students. Her thesis title is: "Sowing Seeds of Hope: Dialogical Analysis of Migrant Students' Narratives at Oregon Migrant Leadership Institute." Laura's supervisor describes her as a "bright, sophisticated and dedicated scholar, as well as a responsible, personable young woman of great integrity." Laura has been nominated twice for the Global Corners Award of Oregon's Office of International Affairs, and has received the UO's Graduate Teaching Fellowships for three terms.

This award was established to honor the memory of the late Dr. Harold Josephson, a long-time leader in AIEA and Associate Vice Chancellor of International Programs at the University of North Carolina-Charlotte.

The Association of International Education Administrators shares the enthusiasm for these recipients' contributions to the field, and congratulates them as the 2017 recipients of the Harold Josephson Award.

About AIEA

The Association of International Education Administrators (AIEA) is the only association specifically for leaders in international higher education. Founded in 1982, AIEA is hosted at Duke University in Durham, North Carolina and is composed of over 450 institutions engaged in advancing the international dimensions of higher education.

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