## MCDONNELL INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARS ACADEMY WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY, ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI USA



The McDonnell International Scholars Academy has a center of

international scholastic activities at Washington University in St. Louis. Its core mission is to recruit scholars from our partner institutions throughout the world to pursue graduate and professional degree at Washington University. In addition, it encourages Scholars to learn from and collaborate with Washington University faculty in working on interdisciplinary projects.

The University of Tokyo, as a leading institution in Japan, is one of the partners in this program. Each year Scholars are selected from partner universities on the basis of their promise to become future leaders in academia, government, the profession, or the corporate world. The Academy provides academic, cultural, and social opportunities to help Scholars develop into future leaders knowledgeable about important international challenges and global cultures.

## About a Workshop held in St. Louis and Shanghai on Nuclear Disarmament

Washington University invites a Japanese participant from the University of Tokyo for a workshop on nuclear disarmament in the summer of 2010. Preference will be given to applicants who have a record of interest and engagement with issues of nuclear disarmament. This is a special program, and applicants need not have any other association with the McDonnell Academy at Washington University to participate. Professor James Wertsch of Washington University and Professor SHEN Dingli and Professor ZHANG Guihong of Fudan University have organized these workshops for the past couple of years on the issue. These workshops involve a small group (6-8) of students from Fudan University and Washington University developing background knowledge in the spring semester and then the WU group going for a week-long workshop in Shanghai in June and the Fudan group coming to St. Louis in August.

## About Washington University

Founded in 1853, Washington University in St. Louis is one of the leading academic universities in the world. Today, the University offers more than 90 programs and almost 1,500 courses in variety of degree programs. The University attracts 11,000 students and 3,000 faculties from 50 states and approximately 130 countries. A strong interdisciplinary environment is encouraged at Washington University. The Washington University School of Medicine has always been ranked as one of the top three medical schools in the country. The George Warren School of Social Work is currently ranked number one in the country. The School of Arts & Sciences is ranked in the top 10 and School of Law in the top 20. Among the 22 Nobel Prize winners in Washington University's history are recent recipients in Economic Sciences and in Chemistry. In a recent ranking 19 departments or programs at the university ranked in the top ten in the U.S. (http://record.wustl.edu/news/page/normal/8536.html).

If you are interested in joining in the workshop in Shanghai outlined from June 1-6, 2010, please send the McDonnell Academy an application with simple personal statement. This personal statement should be sent to jwertsch@wustl.edu. To be eligible to apply to the workshop, an individual must be a student or graduate of University of Tokyo. The deadline is Dec. 20, 2009.