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# **Program Themes**



LANGUAGE & CULTURE



COMPARATIVE HEALTH CARE



GLOBAL LEADERSHIP



ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY



EDUCATION



SOCIAL INNOVATION & DESIGN-THINKING



SPORTS & YOUTH DEVELOPMENT



TECH FOR SOCIAL GOOD



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



ART & SOCIAL MOVEMENTS

#### Welcome to the Bay Area!





### San Francisco, California



## **Stanford University**



## **Exploring Social Innovation (ESI)**

February 6-16, 2019 | San Francisco & Silicon Valley



### **Program Goals**

#### **Exploring Social Innovation (ESI)**



Explore the social innovation field



Gain hands-on experience

Accelerate your growth as an innovator





Strengthen cross-cultural communication skills

Connect with a community of changemakers

### **Visit Social Enterprises**

#### **IDEO**



### **Visit Social Enterprises**

#### BAYCAT



### **Visit Social Enterprises**

#### **Delancey Street Foundation**



#### Kazuya Aoshima

University: Rikkyo University

Major: Foreign Language

**Reason for joining:** Friend strongly recommended, expanding horizons, and also to practice English in a native environment

**Now:** Teacher pioneering innovative ways of learning English and motivating students to achieve their real dreams



#### **Apiwan Duangphummet**

University: Rikkyo University Major: Economics

**Reason for joining:** Build a stronger foundation in creative problem solving for social issues

**Now:** Working in a start-up company in Thailand to change the education system through design





#### Tea Zhou

University: Beijing University Major: Philosophy

**Reason for joining:** Understand new ways to solve social issues and have an experience abroad and consider graduate school options

**Now:** Working to create the future of CSR (corporate social responsibility) in China



### Design-Thinking for Social Innovation (DSI)

March 21-30, 2019 | Palo Alto & Stanford



### **Program Goals**

#### **Design-Thinking for Social Innovation (DSI)**





Complete a real world design-thinking project







Gain in-depth experience with design-thinking Strengthen cross-cultural communication skills

Connect with a community of changemakers

### **Design-Thinking Training**

#### Learn from Experts



## **Design-Thinking Training**

#### Visit the Stanford d.school



### **Design-Thinking Training**

Participate in Hands-on Workshops

#### **Team Projects**

#### **Team-Building • Cross-Cultural Collaboration • Presentations**



#### Sayaka Kawahara

University: Osaka UniversityMajor: Foreign LanguageNow: Graduate student in publichealth looking at the role of mentalhealth in society



#### Taku Inoue

University: Kyushu University Major: Product Design

**Reason for Joining:** To understand role of design in the bigger society and to experience collaborating with students who are outside of design



#### Kana Sanai

**University:** Kyoto University **Major:** Economics

**Reason for Joining:** Learn Design Thinking practically and broaden view point through cross-cultural experience

**Now:** Exchange student in McGill University in Canada



### **Gain a Changemaker's Mindset**

**Building Empathy** 



### **Gain a Changemaker's Mindset**

Learning to Take Risks



### **Gain a Changemaker's Mindset**

#### **Design-Thinking**



#### **Growth Through Reflection**

**Deep Dialogue • Personal Reflection • Storytelling** 



# Program Expenses

	ESI	DSI
Included in VIA Program Fee	<ul> <li>Hotel in downtown San Francisco</li> <li>Welcome lunch, final dinner</li> <li>Local transportation</li> <li>Most scheduled activities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Hotel in Palo Alto, near Stanford</li> <li>Welcome lunch, final dinner</li> <li>Local transportation</li> <li>Most scheduled activities</li> </ul>
Not Included in VIA Program Fee	<ul> <li>International airfare</li> <li>Travel medical insurance</li> <li>Most meals</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>International airfare</li> <li>Travel medical insurance</li> <li>Most meals</li> </ul>

# Timeline

Date	Activity
Nov. 14	<ul> <li>Submit online VIA application</li> <li>Reserve interview time (at end of application)</li> </ul>
Nov. 15–16	<ul> <li>Participate in Skype or phone interview (approx. 15 minutes)</li> </ul>
Nov. 20	<ul> <li>VIA application results</li> </ul>
Nov. 22	<ul> <li>Rikkyo University application deadline</li> </ul>
December - January	<ul><li>Pre-departure preparations</li><li>Online community-building activities</li></ul>

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