

Hansen Summer Institute Video Transcript

VIDEO: Students taking photos in concourse in front of San Diego City Hall.

Ron Bee, Managing Director: It's called the Hansen Summer Institute on Leadership and International Cooperation. We have 16 different countries represented. Staying at San Diego State University for three weeks. Learning about leadership skills, conflict resolution skills. They all come from interesting countries, many have conflicts at home or are trying to get on their feet economically.

Anam Khan, Hansen Fellow: I am from Pakistan, I live in Islamabad which is the capital of Pakistan.

Max Kuchits, Hansen Fellow: So my hometown in Vladivostok, this is the sister city of San Diego.

Tianyang Chu, Hansen Fellow: I am from Beijing, China Foreign Affairs University, it is my third year of undergraduate.

VIDEO: Students in front of City Hall, walking into City Hall.

Ron Bee, Managing Director: We put them with eight SDSU students and two USD students. They live, work and learn together for the two-three weeks that they are with us. And today we are going to meet the Mayor for example.

VIDEO: Students in Mayor's conference room

Ron Bee, Managing Director (speaking to Mayor Jerry Sanders): They are here to learn about leadership and international cooperation.

Jerry Sanders, Mayor of San Diego (speaking to the students): I should probably be in the class with you learning about leadership and providing that at a political level.

Miriam Rayward, Hansen Fellow: We are learning leadership at different levels and this is the city level. It's really good for us to see this because we're trying to be the leaders of the world.

VIDEO: Students in City Council Chambers

Ron Bee, Managing Director: Where they really learn is from each other because 16 different countries they are going to learn from one another, make friendships, build a social network that they can remain in touch with for their entire lives.

Anam Khan, Hansen Fellow: Whenever I used to have a conversation about a conflict, everybody used to come in with their own ideas not listen to anyone it was like no one

knew the solution. Here, until now what I've learned is that we need to sit down and talk, that's the only way out.

Max Kuchits, Hansen Fellow: Just the exchange of ideas and opinions, that feature is what makes this program special.

VIDEO: Students around the San Diego City Seal outside City Hall

Ron Bee, Managing Director: Expect to see these students in leadership positions, I expect in the next 20 years we'll see their names in the newspaper for the positive things they are doing in their country and for ours.