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**CENTENARY COLLEGE HOLDS FIRST KOREAN TEACHER WINTER PROGRAM**

**Hackettstown, N.J., December XX, 2012** –The School of International Programs of Centenary College is hosting its first Korean Teacher Winter Program for thirteen public school teachers from South Korea from now through late February. This three-month program was made possible through a grant from the South Korean government.

The emphasis of this initiative for the first two months of study is to provide the thirteen Korean teachers of English with advanced writing techniques and skills, as well as providing them with tools to improve their English pronunciation. During the last month nine teachers will continue with these studies, while four of the teachers will focus on the experiential learning techniques through a partnership with the Hackettstown Middle School. Those four teachers will work with all content areas in grades 5 through 8 at the Middle School to learn about American public school teaching methodologies.

“This will be an enriching and educational experience for both students and teachers,” says Marie Griffin, Principal of Hackettstown Middle School.

The program is coordinated through ITTI Global, Inc. in Seoul, Korea, who first worked with Centenary College last summer to design a four week Korean Teacher Summer Program in conjunction with the Korean government. That program focused on intermediate English reading, writing and speaking skills.

“I am so pleased that Centenary has been selected as a site to run this program,” says Dr. Joseph Linskey, Dean of the School of International Programs at Centenary College. “It is a win-win situation for all involved and I would like to also thank Ms. Marie Griffin, the Principal of Hackettstown Middle School, for working with us on this initiative.”

Founded in 1867 by the Newark Conference of the United Methodist Church, Centenary College is an independent, coeducational liberal arts and career studies college distinguished by an accomplished faculty, small class size and diverse student body. Centenary is the only baccalaureate and master’s degree granting institution in northwest New Jersey.

Centenary College’s main campus is located in Hackettstown, N.J., with its equestrian facility in Washington Township (Morris County). The Centenary College School of Professional Studies program offers accelerated degree completion programs in Parsippany, with an additional facility in Edison, and at corporate sites throughout New Jersey.

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