Students from the Sacramento region are invited to participate in the exciting and educational Summer 2001 Youth Peace & Cultural Education Program in Ghana, a West African Country of 18 million people. Teachers, faculty guides, counselors and CSUS student mentors may also attend. Immerse yourself in the Ghanaian culture while developing a project designed to contribute and promote peace in the community. A participant’s abilities to be culturally sensitive, tolerant and work well as a team member are essential to the success of this program.

The Youth Peace & Cultural Education Program is designed to:

• Introduce the personal experience of an African culture
• Expose participants to foreign service career opportunities
• Broaden global views
• Enhance self-esteem
• Develop self-motivation, positive thinking and leadership skills
• Promote peace-making, intercultural and relational skills

Program Activities Include:

• Indigenous Ghanaian peace making/violence prevention lectures and demonstrations
• Cultural examination through historical site visits
• Interaction with Ghanaian youth, family and government officials
• First-hand experience of urban and rural lifestyles
• Conflict resolution/peace making workshop and practicum

Application Deadline: November 17, 2000

Academic Credit: 2 units of credit will be awarded upon program completion

Language Requirement: Ghana’s official language is English

Candidate Selection
Prospective participants are from high school, grades 10-12, and must demonstrate their ability to fulfill the program objectives. Churches, businesses, community organizations, and schools are encouraged to sponsor students for the program. Prospective candidates must provide:

1. A Letter of Interest
   In one page, state your personal/academic background, list your reasons for applying, present an idea for a peace project, and explain how you will apply and share your experiences upon return.

2. Two Letters of Reference
   One letter must be from your school.

The selection committee and program director will base final candidate selection on the letter of interest, references, and a review. The Center for African Peace & Conflict Resolution reserves the right to consider other reasonable selection criteria and make other changes. Selected candidates must attend the Africa Conference at CSUS, May 3-5, 2001, and several orientation sessions. The first mandatory orientation will be held at CSUS on December 2, 2000 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Finances
Upon acceptance, participants are required to pay a $100 non-refundable acceptance fee. CAPCR seeks support from private and public agencies and individuals for part of the program. Participants are required to pay $5,000 of the program expenses. CAPCR will provide participants with fundraising information and tips toward meeting your financial obligation. Payments are made in two installments: $2,500 by January 12, 2001 and $2,500 by May 1, 2001. Credit card (Visa or MasterCard) payments are acceptable. Further information will be presented at the December 2nd orientation.

Mail or fax the completed form with the letter of interest and references by November 17, 2000 to
Professor Ernest Uwazie, Director, Center for African Peace & Conflict Resolution, California State University, Sacramento, Sacramento, CA 95819-6085, phone: (916) 278-6282, fax: (916) 278-7692, email: uwazieee@csus.edu
For additional information, contact Professor Uwazie or visit www.csus.edu/org/capcr

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Do you have any overseas travel experience? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, please state when and where

Future goal/career

Do you plan to attend CSUS? ☐ Yes ☐ No

By signing below, you state that the information provided above is correct and complete. Any false information could lead to denial of application or other sanctions.

Name: Signature: Date:
If under 18, a parent or legal guardian must sign below: