TRANSFORMATIVE LEADERSHIP

Concentration in Partnership Studies at CIIS

The *MA Program in Transformative Leadership at California Institute of Integral Studies* is pleased to announce a new *Concentration in Partnership Studies*. CIIS is a world leader in online education with 14 years of experience offering online graduate education. Students live and work across the globe, coming together in San Francisco by the Pacific Ocean for week-long residential sessions at the beginning of each semester.

Based on the *Cultural Transformation Theory* developed by cultural historian and systems scientist **Riane Eisler**, this concentration is designed for individuals who want to be leaders in the application of this groundbreaking approach to issues they are passionate about. This is a unique opportunity, as **Riane Eisler** herself will be part of the faculty and co-teaching the foundational course in the concentration.

Students may begin by taking an introductory course with **Riane Eisler** starting in January for Spring of '08, with a view to enrolling in the program full-time in Fall of 07.

The *Partnership Concentration* is part of the general *MA in Transformative Leadership*. It consists of 3 courses focusing on Partnership Studies in the context of leadership, with a strong focus on grounding in theory and applications to their life and work, culminating in a Capstone Action Project.

The MA in Transformative Leadership is an action-oriented program. The focus is on the development of innovative ways to take the initiative and make a contribution in an area the student is passionate about. It offers a course of study centered on developing the students' ability to act creatively in the world. It creates a context where students work in a community of like-minded individuals, exploring their own mission in life and developing the skills needed to make it a reality.

Highlights of the Program include:

- Focus on emerging models of leadership, capable of addressing the nature of the "real world" challenges facing our planet
- Focus on cultivating key leadership skills linking theory with practice
- Direct involvement with organizations and leaders implementing partnership models in practice
- Opportunities to study cutting-edge leadership approaches in a vibrant learning community with faculty dedicated to social justice
- Focus on Eisler's Four Cornerstones for a Just and Caring World

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