

## EARCOS Weekend Workshop

# Understanding by Design: Beginning the Journey

**Consultant:** Janie Ray Smith (ASCD Faculty and UbD Cadre)

**Dates:** September 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010

**Times:** 08:30-16:00 each day.

**Location:** American International School of Guangzhou

### Workshop description:



↳UbD Workshop, AISG, Sept 2009

*What is understanding? How is it different from knowing and doing? When do you know that students truly understand and can apply their knowledge (assessment evidence)? And how can you design the course and unit lessons to emphasize understanding? Understanding by Design (UbD) is a planning process based on aligning curriculum, assessment, and instruction to standards and goals. This workshop will focus on participants new to UbD or serve as a review for those who participated in other introductory sessions. It is recommended*

*that participants bring a current unit outline that they would like to work with during this two day workshop and a copy of their school standards or curriculum goals.*

**Materials:** All participants will require a copy of “Understanding by Design Professional Development Workbook” (McTighe and Wiggins, ASCD 2004) available from ASCD store and Amazon.

**Capacity:** 50 people

**Graduate credit eligibility:** SUNY Buffalo

**Registration:** US\$40

**Deadline:** Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010

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**Travel:** Guangzhou is served by direct flights from many Asian cities and is easily reached by train from Hong Kong’s Hung Hom station (~90 min). Taxi to Science Park is required from airport (~40 mins) or train station (~30mins).

**Visa:** Please note a visa is required to visit mainland China.

**Local map:** A map of AISG’s Science Park campus location can be downloaded from the “Contact Us” page of the school website ([www.aisgz.org](http://www.aisgz.org)).



↳AISG’s Science Park campus

**Accommodation:** A special rate of 500RMB (~US\$74) per night, including buffet breakfast, has been negotiated with the Crowne Plaza hotel, 10 minutes walk from AISG. More details, including a map of the hotel location, are available via [www.crowneplazagzsc.com](http://www.crowneplazagzsc.com). For reservations, please contact Ms Jenette Ang ([jenette.ang@crowneplazagzsc.com](mailto:jenette.ang@crowneplazagzsc.com))