



33rd Annual Conference of the Society of Educators and Scholars
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Executive Summary

The 33rd Annual Conference of the Society of Educators and Scholars was held October 7-9, 2010 at the Holiday Inn, Market Square, San Antonio, Texas. The event was hosted by St. Phillips College. The theme was *Leadership in a Transforming World*. Sounny Slitine served as conference director.

The conference was a tremendous success. An interdisciplinary group of professionals, including graduate students, were energized as the delegates shared their vision of leadership. The Honorable Joaquin Castro, State Representative, District 125, State of Texas, captured the event's importance when he stressed the great work produced from this conference will not only go on to serve our future leaders, but leaders around the world.

Several presenters also highlighted the importance of mentoring and investing in our future leaders. Personal interactions, coaching and serving as models are crucial to the mentoring process. This cannot be done haphazardly and from a distance. It takes commitment to inspire others to become their own leaders and to develop their vision for bringing about positive change.

In addition, the delegates had a profound understanding of the significance of education for the social and political conditions we are currently confronting. Humanistic values and ethics were discussed. The conference served as a forum where moral and ethical concerns were fully integrated through presentations and panel discussions. By working in small groups where everyone contributed, each individual was empowered and recognized. Graduate students had the opportunity to collaborate with senior professionals from colleges and universities, business and industry, as well as civic and political leaders. Leaders at all levels not only became better informed about other visions of leadership, they had an opportunity to practice leadership.

The support of conferences that deal with futuristic strategies and policies is vital and serves as a model for educational reform for the 21st century. By hosting this conference, SES provided an opportunity for leaders to learn to be visionary, become risk-takers and break away from the old paradigms to make positive changes.

We salute President Adena Williams Loston and her faculty and staff at St. Phillip's College for their forward- and visionary-thinking. They provided the leadership for an outstanding and memorable conference. See conference portfolio at: <http://www.cepa2000.org/ses2010.html>

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