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**Local Educator Ryan Hauck Wins  
National Council for International Visitors  
Phyllis Layton Perry Educator Award**

SEATTLE, January 13, 2010 – The National Council for International Visitors (NCIV) announced the 2010 Phyllis Layton Perry Educator of the Year is Ryan Hauck, who was nominated by the World Affairs Council of Seattle.

Hauck, recipient of the World Affairs Council's World Educator Award for 2007-2008, is Chair of the History and Social Sciences Department at Marysville-Pilchuck High School in Marysville. The World Affairs Council nominated Hauck for his extensive work in developing international education opportunities for his students, coworkers and community, as well as students and educators from Nigeria, Russia and Europe.

"We're incredibly proud to honor Ryan's achievements and delighted to have such an outstanding ambassador for the Council and the State of Washington," said Jennifer Thorvig, Deputy Director of the World Affairs Council's International Visitor Program. "Ryan's leadership, creativity, initiative, and dedication to increasing global awareness exemplify the character and values of Phyllis Layton Perry, the award's namesake. "

The Phyllis Layton Perry Educator award was established by NCIV in 2004 to recognize educators for their achievements in increasing global awareness through education and hosting international leaders, scholars and students. Hauck will receive his award at the NCIV National Meeting in Washington, D.C., February 10-13. The meeting will be attended by World Affairs Council of Seattle staff, members of the international exchange community and members of the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, U.S. Department of State.

Founded in 1961, NCIV is a nonprofit that promotes excellence in citizen diplomacy by serving as a professional association for the international exchange community.

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***About the World Affairs Council***

*Since 1951, the World Affairs Council of Seattle has been dedicated to creating opportunities for people in Greater Seattle to become more engaged in building a global community. Each of the Council's programs advance a deeper understanding of world events and cultures for community members of all ages and backgrounds. Through public speaker series with global leaders, professional development workshops for K-12 teachers, connecting international visitors with their local professional counterparts, leadership development for community members and informal networking for young professionals, the World Affairs Council provides activities that enrich Seattle's civic and cultural conversation with global perspectives. As a hub for all things international in Greater Seattle, the World Affairs Council provides professional and social connections for people who share a passion for world affairs.*