



Peace Corps Award Given at United Nations

Teachers College was among eight institutions and individuals honored June 6, 1988, at the United Nations.

At the gathering, which was held in the Delegates' Dining Room overlooking the East River, Peace Corps Director Loret Miller Ruppe honored the College's efforts in the establishment of the Peace Corps Fellows Program, which was accomplished in conjunction with the Xerox Corporation and the New York City Board of Education. The Program enables former Peace Corps volunteers to teach in New York City public schools while earning a master's degree at TC.

The Peace Corps Fellows Program places returning Peace Corps volunteers directly into specific New York City schools in which the attrition rate for teachers is unusually high. Fellows study at the College and earn their permanent New York State teaching certificates.

When first initiated, the Program brought dedicated math and science teachers with experience in multicultural settings together with students who need them most. The Fellows are currently in such demand that the Program has recently been expanded to include teachers trained in the teaching of English as a second language (TESOL), special education, bilingual/bicultural education and nursing education.

In the photo above, President **P. Michael Timpane** (second from left) joins, from left, **Lorry Getz**, who served the Peace Corps in Liberia and teaches at the Lexington School for the Deaf in Queens; **Henry Fernandez**, Coordinator of the Peace Corps Fellows Program; **Loret Miller Ruppe**, Peace Corps Director; **James Laney**, who served in Kenya and teaches at Boys and Girls High School in Brooklyn; and **Andrew Lohman**, who served in Fiji and teaches at A. Phillip Randolph Campus High School in Manhattan.