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ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY NEWS TIP

George Churukian, associate professor of education at Illinois Wesleyan University, returned recently from a four-week trip to Czechoslovakia.

Active in the International Seminar on Teacher Education, Churukian has visited classrooms around the world, including trips to Taiwan, The Netherlands, and two trips to England.

Churukian, who has made four trips to Czechoslovakia, served as a visiting professor of teaching education at the 643-year old Charles University in Prague. His last trip to Czechoslovakia came in 1989.

During his stay in Czechoslovakia, Churukian conducted a seminar for Czechoslovakian educators attempting to restructure the education system and keep pace with the political changes of the country. He will also continue correspondence with the university's professors.

POTENTIAL QUESTIONS FOR CHURUKIAN:

•How are the Czechoslovakian people keeping up with educational changes in view of the political changes in their country?

•Compared to the American education system; where does the Czechoslovakian education system stack up?

•What was your role as a visiting professor at Charles University? Where you an expert, a consultant, an onlooker?

•What characteristics of American education do you think Czechoslovakia should adopt? •How much change has occured in Czechoslovakia since your last visit in 1989, a reasonably short time ago?

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