

Jean Quinn
Senior Vice President and Director, AIFS

Jean Quinn has held leadership positions in the international education field for over 30 years. She believes strongly in the transformative powers of exchanges.

Jean is currently a Senior Vice President at AIFS and is the Director of the Au Pair in America program. Her responsibilities include strategic planning with colleagues in the US and overseas offices, staff and

program development, budget projections and oversight, and vendor negotiations. Jean also leads state and national advocacy efforts. As Responsible Officer for the program, she is well versed in the Department of State's regulations and compliance.

Jean has experienced exchanges from many vantage points. Her experience as a high school exchange student in France opened the door to international travel. Jean earned a BS in Education and after several years teaching in New York, was one of 70 American teachers chosen to participate in the Mountbatten Program to teach in inner-city London. Jean earned her British Teaching Qualification. Upon returning to the US, she attended the School for International Training and received a master's degree in Intercultural Management. Her thesis explored Self Esteem Development in Exchange Participants; a topic she continues to champion in her leadership roles. Jean has been a host mother to four au pairs from Brazil, Spain and Costa Rica and hopes she has positively impacted the lives of these amazing young women.

Jean lives in Queens, NY with her husband, three teen boys and two dogs.